The Kind of Leaders Labor Has in U.S.

The American union leadership is as narrow-minded a crew of petty bureaucrats as can be found anywhere including the ward clubs of the Democratic or Republican party. They have no stomach for a fight except when their personal prestige and privileges are directly involved.

The American Federation of Labor Executive Council meeting in Montreal last week illustrates this.

In the midst of the determined drive of U.S. Big Business and its government agents against the organizations and living conditions of the workers, these union moguls voted to recommend to the September AFL convention that the United Labor Policy Committe be dissolved. By this act they declare their insolvency as

The top AFL and CIO officers were originally motivated in organizing the ULPC by a desire for more prominent recognition in government posts. But by its very organization the ULPC became a potentially powerful weapon in defense of labor's rights. The bold attack against Big Business control of government, the united front shown by the AFL, CIO and independent unions, inspired hope in the ranks of the union membership.

But none of the top union officials who organized the ULPC had either the vision or the courage to effectively mobilize the united strength of organized labor. They did not carry through a fight either to maintain the workers' economic positions, or to lead a struggle for genuine political representation for labor against the reactionary two-party system.

After walking out of all government boards in protest against the profiteer-dictated Washington policies, the ULPC crawled back in. They did not win a single important concession. The ULPC representing 15 million workers stood helpless, paralyzed by an impotent leadership.

The formation of the ULPC was greeted with enthusiasm by rank-and-file trade unionists. In many cities local committees were formed to carry out united action on a local level between the CIO. AFL and independents. Many locals passed resolutions favoring

Many workers saw in the ULPC a chance for the great union movement to unite its forces on the political field so that it could strike as a unified force in election campaigns, winning genuine labor representation in Congress.

Clique Interests of the Leaders

But neither the CIO nor AFL leaders carried through the wishes of the ranks. They kowtowed to Truman; they begged small favors; they served as "window dressing" for the wage freeze, the tax steal and the price gouge. They did not once speak out against the drive toward an all-out war economy which more and more loads its for the spreading reign of terror heavy costs upon the low-income groups.

Such leaders as Tobin and Green, Murray and Reuther, think of labor unity in a different way from the worker in the shop. They are concerned about their posts, salaries, personal advantages. Each of the top figures in both CIO and AFL is a small-time baron; he deeper. views the union as his own happy-hunting ground, and the private bailiwick of his cronies. Unity would necessitate the amalgamation of some unions and the elimination of some posts, or at least the

sharing of power. The AFL hierarchy, which now proposes to split the ULPC, may hope to be able to force the CIO into organic unity on the AFL's terms. That is, with the lion's share of the posts and offices going to the old craft union leadership. The CIO officers, on the other hand, will resist this kind of forced unity because they have no intention to give up a single position on the payroll of a single union. Clique interests will shape this struggle, as it has in the past.

What a picture of unprincipled and small-minded men! The tragedy is that such men of straw head the most powerful labor movement in the world.

But these leaders will not stifle the independent spirit and power of American labor. Should the AFL convention endorse the break-up of the ULPC it would strengthen the growing resentment in the AFL ranks against the dictator-officers who rule these groups. unions. The recent outbreak of militant teamsters in Cleveland is a sign of things to come.

In the CIO, where the bureaucrats are nowhere near as firmly entrenched as in the AFL, a new militancy is slowly but surely producing a new leadership of a far different caliber.

The unions today are bigger and stronger than ever. Neither the combined offensive of the big corporations and the government, nor the attempts of the union heads, have succeeded in suppressing the fighting character of the organized American working class.

In the auto shops, on the trucks, in the steel mills and in the mines, new men of labor are arising. Workers determined to defend their conditions of work and life, are learning the lessons of experience with the old-line conservative union big shots. In the process of struggle they are forging new leaders with the will to fight. The clearer the treacherous role of the reigning bureaucracy placed in the hands of the embecomes, all the sooner a left wing labor leadership will develop

3 More CIO Bodies Donate To Help Kutcher Defense



JAMES KUTCHER

ward the excellent work of the Kutcher Civil Rights Committee." Carl Holderman, President of the Council, was one of the initiators been outlawed in this country. of the national campaign for his The "democrats" in the Justice defense when Kutcher was fired erans Administration because of his socialist views.

AN OUTRAGE

The Hennepin County CIO Industrial Union Council of Minneapolis, Minnesota, sent \$10 with letter from its Secretary-Treasurer Arthur Hopkins saying: "We conside his victimization an outrage against Civil iberties. We trust that an aroused labor movement will soon aid this veteran in securing justice.'

From the steel center of Youngstown Ohio the Mahoning County CIO Council sent \$25 for Kutcher's defense fund.

The funds raised will be used to defray the expenses of taking Kutcher's case to the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals this fall.

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U. S. Truce Team Seeks

Workers of the World, Unite!

PRICE: FIVE CENTS

Illegal to Pray? Wis. Man-Worried

The daily Capital Times of Wisconsin, which conducted the recent, much publicized petition circulation and which found that 111 out fused to sign the Declaration Rights out of fear of consequences, got the following wire from reader A. J. Mc-Culloch, Lancaster, Wis.

"Grant County subscribers Capital Times worried. Capital Times petition Declaration of Independence is violation of Smith Act, contempt of Congress and contempt of Supreme Court. If McCarthy throws you in the clink we are afraid to solicit bail money. We shall pray for you if that is not illegal too."

New Bill To Let Employers Fire Militants

McCarran Proposes **Broader Witchhunt**

While Truman bemoans and tries to blame his Republican opponents, in particular McCarthy, in America, more repressions are being prepared in Congress to extend the witch-hunt deeper and

Senator McCarran (Dem.) has powers to the corporations to fire any militant they choose.

FIRE ANYONE

pear on any Federal or state list of "subversives," or who are ed by the "horsemeat Congress."

In addition to this the Senator Carran Act.

"front" group to hold office in a union. Furthermore, it decertifies as bargaining agent any union member of a Communist or a "front" group,

ployers is the authorization to fire any worker who refuses to tell "a duly constituted legislative committee" whether he belongs or has belonged to any organization on the Attorney General's subversive list.

DEADLY ATTACK

bodies last week aided the legless The Justice Department in its veteran James Kutcher in his indictment of the West Coast

This is the first time since the Alien and Sedition laws of 1798. that writing for a newspaper has Department are now in effect from his job in the Newark Vet- saying, "But we are not suppressing a newspaper. We are writes for it."

> This widening of the attack on the labor unions and our democratic rights is still another warning to all sincere defenders of civil rights:

Stop the witch-hunt now!

Socialist Workers Party Campaigns In Six States See Page 4

To Dictate Harsh Terms

federal sales tax on all purchases introduced a bill, which, if passed, will spread the purge into every shop in the country. This bill, which is a logical conclusion to the loyalty purge which Truman launched, will give unlimited powers to the corporations to five

By Murry Weiss

least 10 percent more of your a week (aside from expenses and McCarran proposes to empower employers to fire "without liability" workers whose names ap- That's the plain meaning of the recent "control" legislation enactcharged with belonging to such This new price increase should not come as a surprise - the news comes right out of the proposes other open union-busting lizer Eric Johnston himself. horse's mouth, Economic Stabi-Johnston told the first meeting of the Defense Mobilization Board These will make it unlawful for that the cost of living will go up any member of a communist or five to eight percent during the

next year. When you consider that this having an officer who is either a figure, and then add the steadily mounting open and concealed taxes, you will be safe in con-Still another deadly weapon cluding that if you are taking kiss \$5 of that goodbye.

"Mr. Johnston's estimate . came as something of a shock to reports. If it was "something of brass hats running the Washing-

Get ready to spend at sit cabinet members making \$433 all-out arms program. wage earners?

When you go to the war-dollar will get you. Take one Washington has cooked up for your dinner table.

looking for the whys and wherefores of this situation:

ged into the Korean war by Tru- day. "It takes \$23.74 to buy the is Johnston's own conservative man's unauthorized action, increases in prices have taken some pockets of consumers. This means that every man, woman and child home, say, \$50 a week you can has already paid out \$130 in price increases during this war. Now that figure is about to be almost doubled with the additional price increases scheduled for the coming year. All this is aside Board members," the N. Y. Times from what will happen if the figures on profits. While the work- CIO makes a vivid analysis of

every month used to cost \$100 a forces that are pushing the plan 1. — Since America was drag- month in 1939 as against \$185 to- from under cover. given for all other cost of living lot more of this coming.

RECORD PROFITS

4. - Compare these stiff boosts in the cost of living with the

a shock" to the Board, on which ton show really get going on an ALL-OUT PUSH

2. — In the war year of 1942, extras), what will it be to the Federal, state and local taxes backing this plan as including, ing. It is a defense of the idea came to \$170 per person. Last in addition to the NAM, the Com- that the U.S. army is entitled to mittee for Economic Developdays you know how far a Korean \$360, or more than doubled. This ment, the Committee on Federal is what taxes look like during Tax Policy, the National Retail more dime out of every dollar "peacetime." Imagine what they Dry Goods Association, the Amerand you get an idea of what are planning for the "real war." ican Retail Federation, and the 3. - Now look at it this way: Automobile Manufacturers' Asso- the Chinese and Korean armies According to Mrs. Wickens, ciation. These are the open Big Here are some points you deputy commissioner U.S. Bureau Business advocates of the opought to keep in mind if you are of Labor Statistics, cost of living pressive tax scheme, and do not necessities that families buy include the powerful capitalist

Weak administration resistance groceries that a \$10 bill used to to this fantastic tax increase may buy before World War II," she collapse at any minute. The 20 billion dollars out of the says. Comparable figures are United Automobile Workers, CIO, in a release last week, charged items. Keep in mind this is the that, in his testimony before the continuous trend and there is a Senate Finance Committee, "Secretary of the Treasury Snyder seems to have left the door open for a federal sales tax in the

future. . ."

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Chinese Must Retreat North, Pentagon Says; Demand Kept Secret from Public at Home

What terms are being demanded by U.S. negotiators at Kaesong?

This is becoming the big question about the Korea cease-fire negotiations. Newspaper stories from the Korean correspondents covering the parleys continue extremely vague on this point. The plain truth of the matter is that the Pentagon does not want to let the American public

NAM Sales Tax

Would Cost Poor

The NAM is proposing a

Over \$5 Billion

reknow just what demands it is making in Korea.

The Chinese radio has been blasting away with charges that the U.S. brass hats are asking for a truce line far north of the present battle line. U.S. denials of this have been couched in the vaguest terms. On Aug. A vast tax steal that would 5, General Ridgway stated that take another bite of more than the U.S. is asking for a truce line five billion dollars out of the that is "in effect" the present pockets of those who can least battle line. Just what "in effect" afford it is being pressured means has never been made clear. through Congress by the National Other reports of the U.S. stand Association of Manufacturers in say that allied negotiators are league with other business organasking for a truce line "based upon" the present battle line.

TRUCE LINE

other than food, liquor and During the 24th session of the tobacco. The tax would equal truce conference, a speech was more than one-third the cost of made by U.S. chief negotiator the item purchased. In other Admiral Joy, which was reported words, every \$3.00 item would in part in the press. Maintaining cost at least \$4.00 under the NAM its usual vague and indistinct tone that it always adopts when speaking of U.S. truce terms, the press does not explain the mean-Life magazine of July 9 lists ing of the speech. However, Joy's the big business combination speech can have only one meanthan the present battle line.

Joy's line is that a truce, which would put an end to U.S. air and naval bombardment, would give certain "advantages." "We are prosecuting a war," he said, "behind your front lines which is not duplicated behind our lines." His conclusion from this is that the II.S. Army must be given ground advantages which it does not now possess in order to make up for the alleged great loss the U.S. will suffer by stopping its air and naval bombardment.

All the arguments advanced by Joy appear to bear out the Chinese contention that the U.S. is asking them to retreat before it will accept a cease-fire.

Meanwhile, the U.S. truce team has relations with the press exclusively through a "briefing of-(Continued on page 3)

Something new has also been added to the drive to destroy freedom of the press in America. The Justice Department in its Lieutenant Challenges Truman to Take veteran James, Kutcher in his indictment of the West Coast fight against Truman's loyalty purge. The CIO Council of New Jersey, Kutcher's home state, and contribution to called crimes the writing of articles for the Communist press.

sharply expressed in a letter by Marine Lieut. Gale G. Buuck, printed in the Fort Wayne, Indiana, News-Sentinel on March merely arresting anyone who 26. Lieut. Buuck is on active duty in Korea with the Second Bat- here in this godforsaken hole of talion of the First Marine Divi- Korea?" sion. His letter reads as follows:

THE LETTER "Will you please relay the following questions to Harry S. Tru-

"How many years are you going to let American manpower, materials and money drain into Then the cat was out of the bag. this Korean sewer? How many Now the Marine Corps in Washmore of my men must die on ington has became interested in account of your stubborn refusal it. According to the N. Y. Times, to pull out of Korea?

"The undersigned dares you to take the following issue to the ed" - for daring to express his "Shall we pull out of Korea?

register their righteous wrath off." against this sellout. "Again the question Mr. Truman, how long must we stay

(Signed) GALE C. BUUCK,

Lieut. U.S.M.C. This letter was officially ignor-

ed for nearly four months. It has suddenly received general publicity because it was reprinted in the Moscow Literary Gazette. "disciplinary action against Lieutenant Buuck is being consideropinion.

HAD TO "SOUND OFF"

That the Lieutenant is aware "Someday you will answer for this sellout of American man-that the administration is deter-

The prolonged official silence concerning this letter is only the other side of a high powered campaign to bludgeon the people into believing that the American soldier is now beginning to glory in the Korean slaughter, that he is happy with such abominations as "Operation Killer."

It is no longer denied officially that soldier morale in the past was low; but the claim is that there has been a "remarkable change." In an interview granted to the weekly U.S. News, Aug. 17, Gen. Ridgway was asked the following leading question:

"What is the explanation for it with my own eyes." the remarkable improvement of morale of UN troops in Korea in A SURVEY the past six months?" And here is Ridgway's answer:

your administration most of the pended to his letter, "Do what you the purpose of their presence in viewed: boys here won't be alive to will with it, but I had to sound Korea and the objectives for which they fight."

In the same release, the UAW-

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NAILING THE LIE

But the authentic voice of the GI is filtering through the tight lid of censorship. The lie is being nailed. Lieutenant Buuck's letter is only one among many others. For example, the Congressional Record of March 13 quotes another letter from a soldier to the Marquette Mining Journal, GI's would like to know the popularity of the Korean war. answers to several questions. The biggest question at the present is, just why are we over here? The Korean people certainly public poll has uncovered the aren't glad to have us. I've seen

"Leadership at all levels in all Benjamin Fine for the N. Y. chorus: services and national contingents; Times. Fine has quoted typical

What American soldiers really power and materials. Unfor- mined to gag the American soldier the inculcation of a reasoned remarks from 5,000 Army trainees think of the Korean war was tunately on account of you and is indicated by the remark he apunderstanding based on facts of and officers whom he inter-

"Why am in the Army? I'll tell you why. It's because Truman

made a blunder," said one GI. "I have no stomach to fight the United Nation's war. It's only for Wall Street anyway," another

The American soldier is not alone in his revulsion against the Korean atrocity, the greatest perpetrated in history. A recent AFL radio poll of 96,000 listeners "Myself and a few thousand other indicated the universal un-Those polled were thirty to one for the immediate withdrawal of the American troops. Every

same sentiment. In Korea and at home, the demand keeps growing. The courageous protests from the GI's To cite another instance, there are joining together with the real is the survey conducted in May by voice of America in the mighty

Bring the troops home now!

Notebook of an Agitator

THE REVOLUTIONIST AND THE BUREAUCRAT

There is good sense in the old saying that two heads are better rise up out of passivity and acquiescence and intervene in events than one. The same thought can be profitably extended into the conception that the collective thinking of many, freely expressed, can yield better results in the long run than the arbitrary and capricious decisions of an individual who decides and rules without control or restraint. This is the argument for the practical efficiency of democracy in general, and in the workers' movement in parti-

It is true that democracy is a rather cumbersome process, while bureaucratic short cuts seem to "get things done" without delay. But the trouble is that things done this way are often done wrong. And without the corrective restraint of democracy there is no way of righting them; one error leads to another and things go from bad to worse to the detriment of the people whose interests are directly involved. This is the evil story of all uncontrolled bureaucraçies — in trade unions, parties and governments.

The great teachers of the working class knew all about this They were dead set against bureaucratism - everyone of them. They were confirmed democrats. I don't mean democrats in the sense of that fraudulent "democracy" by the mechanism of which the masses of the people have the illusion of deciding the conduct of affairs by voting for hand-picked candidates every two or four years; while all the mediums of information and communication remain in the hands of a small clique of money sharks who own all the industries and rule the country behind the parliamentary facade. No, our teachers scornfully exposed and denounced the fraud and deceit and general skulduggery of bourgeois "democratic" politics. They were democrats in the real sense of the word. They maintained that the people should freely discuss and participate in deciding all matters of the general welfare which concerned them — their methods and conditions of work, the affairs of their own organizations, and the government.

Marx and Engels proclaimed that "The emancipation of the working class must be the act of the workers themselves.'

From this profound thought it necessarily followed that the workers would have to create their own organizations of combat and run them themselves. When the founders of scientific socialism said the workers must emancipate themselves, they meant that nobody would do it for them, and nobody could. The same holds true for their organizations, the instruments of struggle for emancipation. If they are really to serve their purpose, these organizations must belong to the workers and be democratically operated and controlled by them. Nobody can do it for them. So thought the great democrats, Marx and Engels.

GENUINE DEMOCRACY

The successors of Marx and Engels-Lenin and Trotsky-who executed their testament as leaders of the great Russian revolution, acted in the spirit of the masters. Lenin outlined the perspective of a really democratic workers' state where "every cook" would learn to take part in the administration of public affairs. Trotsky began his great struggle against the bureaucratic degeneration of the Russian revolution with the demand for the restoration of Soviet democracy. Genuine democracy is profoundly revolutionary, and all four of our revolutionary teachers - the masters, Marx and Engels and the great disciples, Lenin and Trotsky - were genuine

Indeed, if you take the trouble to consider the question theoretically and read the history of revolutions in search of what really happened, it becames clear that the great revolutionists were democrats precisely because they were revolutionists. They had to be democrats in order to organize and lead revolutions. Social revolutions are made by the masses; their independent action is just what social revolution is, in Trotsky's classic definition. When the masses and tells it.

and decide them - that is the time of revolution.

The conception of Marx and Engels, which was shared by their great disciples, that the workers must emancipate themselves, determined their approach to the masses and their attitude toward them. They were in no way disposed to "order" revolutions, as many superficial writers have said and some ignorant people have believed, if for no other reason than that they knew it could not be done that way. Their task, as Mark and Engels explained it, and as Lenin and Trotsky carried it out in practice to a superlative degree, was to bring the element of socialist consciousness into the labor movement; to organize and lead it, but in no case to try to substitute themselves for it. All their writings are permeated with this conception and this practice. They do not give orders to the masses. They inform, they enlighten. They try to explain and persuade. Reading them you can learn. That is why their writings remain ever fresh and new, the greatest treasure of the new revolutionary generation - the heritage of a hundred years of socialist

THE POLAR DIFFERENCE

The bureaucrats are the opposite of all that, and the polar difference sticks out of all their writings and utterances. There is nothing revolutionary about the bureaucrats. They fear the masses and distrust them and are always swept aside during periods of upsurge. Only when the masses quiet down do the bureaucrats have their day - the gray people of the ebb tide. You see this manifested in all workers' organizations in all mutations of the class struggle, from strikes to revolutions, and from trade unions to the organs

Stalinism, the supreme example in all history of a labor bureaucracy swollen to monstrous proportions, and multiplying in themselves all the negative traits of the ordinary conservative labor skate, who is their blood kin and lacks only their opportunity and their power - Stalinism is the most misunderstood phenomenon of our time. Most ludicrous of all is the widespread impression that these representatives of reaction and stranglers of revolutions are secretly plotting revolution on a world-wide scale. Just mention the word Stalinism to Social Democrats, for example, who fear revolution for their own reasons, and they take to the cyclone cellars on the double, scared out of their livers and their lights. The United States government recently convicted eleven functionaries of American Stalinism for "advocating" and representing a "clear and present danger" of revolution, and the Supreme Court has upheld the verdict. This is a combination of misunderstanding and

The proletarian revolutionist is one thing and the Stalinist functionary is another. They are not only different in their aims and purposes. There is a profound difference in their mentalities and in their methods of expressing them. The revolutionist is a democrat, organizing opposition to the power of the present day, and striving to create a new power of the people.

. The functionary is merely a bureaucrat, always and everywhere serving an existing power. The revolutionist is a thorough-going radical and is personally disinterested; he wants to change the social order in the interest of all, and considers it beneath his dignity to seek personal advantage. The bureaucrat, in all organizations, and under all conditions, is profoundly conservative and meanly selfish; he strives to preserve the status quo in the interest of his privileges. The revolutionist trusts the masses because they are the makers of revolutions. The bureaucrat fears them for the same reason. The bureaucrat gives orders like a policeman. The revolutionist tries to explain things like a teacher. The bureaucrat lies to the people. The revolutionist beneves the truth will make them free,

What Truman Cooked Up Stores Anxious To Unload Stocks For Our Dinner Tables Retail merchants throughout the country are still carrying

stuck with a diminishing purchasing power, the corporations are making record breaking profits. Reports on corporation profits for the first six months of 1951 show that despite higher they always throw at you about taxes there has been a substantial increase in profits over the peak profit year of 1950. These figures may give you some idea of why we are in Korea and why the mention of ending the Korean war sends shivers down the spines of the profit barons.

Eric Johnston, of course, claims that the shocking increses of 5 to 8 percent in prices for the coming year will be due to the legislation passed by Congress. Truman made a big to-do about his "reluctance" to sign the Congressional bill. Thus the ad- that will ensure profits and taken from the families in the income groups, bringing home ministration seeks to unload the blame for the whole rotten situation on Congress. But this is only half of the truth.

Congress and the Truman administration are equally guilty. The only energy the Truman regime has shown in the field of price control is on wage freezing. Truman and his boys hold you while the profit kings hit you. What good does it do if Truman whines a few complaints against the profiteers while he's holding you so they can hit you?

FEEDING INFLATION

Actually there is no secret the dirty gouging and stealing of about the fact that the policy of the profiteers is drawing near. the government is to artificially The trade union officials are feed the inflation every time it also coming to the end of their looks like prices are going to sag. rope on the shabby policy they How can you explain the upward have been following. How long zoom of prices during a year can they continue to sell the

According to the famous theory "supply and demand" regulating capitalist economy, prices should today be going down. But the truth is that the Truman adcapitalist production, lives in dread of the bottom dropping out of the market. The only alter-

native they know is to juggle the economy between inflation and depression and to see that the worker gets it in the neck in both cases. Their overriding consideration is to build a war economy markets to the capitalists and to make the workers pay for it with their blood and sweat.

TRUMAN'S GAME

Every time they see the market slumping the administration pumps some more life into the dying organism of capitalism by new arms expenditures and their consequent inflationary effects. They can't keep this game up

forever, unless you believe in miracles. Already a great heat is being generated throughout the country on the price situation. A day of reckoning for all

heavily swollen inventories and capitalist inflation and war. as 50 percent.

ministration, caught in the insane workings of the anarchy of capitalist production, lives in **COST POOR \$5 BILLIONS**

SOAKING THE POOR

year out of the pockets of low percent of the nation's families! income families, more than \$200 class groups.

ed \$550 per year.

The bosses' tax program, which land, would thus shift five billions of dollars in taxes over from the wealthy portion of the population onto the shoulders to those least able to pay. Thus while it would cut workers' incomes, on

RICH GET RICHER

The present tax structure,

the proposed tax program of the cent of family incomes between NAM. Such a tax as the NAM \$1,000 and \$2,000. At the same wants would bring the total taxes time, families in the upper U.S. that have incomes under more than \$7,500 per year, only \$1000 per year to over 50 percent. pay a little over 4% of their in-More than \$500 of the incomes of comes in these taxes. That is one these families would go for taxes! of the reasons why the richest one-tenth of the nation takes The tax would take \$133 per whole bottom half; more than 50

per year out of the pockets of not yet adopted by the ad- dent. "A number of us decided better paid workers and middle ministration, may yet be pushed to combine business with pleasure, The UAW points out that, if that it hurts 90 percent of the The Militant while petitioning," Simon on her report of the this tax grab is put into effect people to help only 10 percent. he reports. "Several people who together with the price increases Very often in the past, programs received the paper for the first that have recently been voted which were originally advanced time, returned late, enthusiastic by Congress, this may cost the by the NAM and other business about The Militant, and signed a labor party, flows through her average auto worker an estimat- groups, and which were weakly the petition. We gave the paper became law despite overwhelming may yet become the law of the opposition. This was the case with the Taft-Hartley Slave-Labor Law, and with the present Defense Production Act.

TAX THE RICH!

This "soak the poor" tax pro-

New "Revive Europe" Plans Used To Cover Marshall Plan Fizzle

By Thomas Raymond

Scared government officials and mendacious journal- tion. ists are making feverish efforts to cover up the utter failure of the Marshall Plan with phoney statistics. They are

Food Into Garbage

making every effort to draw 3attention away from the miser- | Western Europe's gross national able three-year past record of product has jumped from a sickly the Economic Cooperation Ad- \$133 billion in 1947 to a conministration by blaring forth valescent \$164 billion in 1950. But new fancy plans for the future.

Marshall Plan had failed to consumers." attain its hoped for objective of ards to beat off the spread of radicalism. Further news to this workers any more to live on, it firms our assertion that living standards in France, typical Marshall Plan country, are at a similar level to the low depres-Fund publication sees this "low standard of living of workers" as a hindrance to long term improve-

WHO BENEFITED

Time magazine for August 6th four years of Marshall Planning, tion from that part which is

little of this recovery has yet Last week we showed how the benefited European workers and

Time neglects to point out that, improving European living stand- while the Marshall Plan has not succeeded in giving the European effect is reported in the bulletin has compelled them to work of . the International Monetary longer for the same amount. Thus Fund for August 10, which con- the French workers, who won the 40 hour week in 1936 with their magnificent 8-million-strong sitdown strikes, are now up to 45.2 hours, much of this increase sion year of 1938. The Monetary having been the result of "Marshall Planning." Time further neglects to point

out that figures on the increase in "gross national product" are and further into debt again, deceptive, and that it is necessary to separate out the part of the offers further confirmation: "In increase due merely to price infla-

WAR ECONOMY AHEAD

point out that just about all of Taft-Hartley Law if it can, and this increase in production is ac- is going to do everything possible counted for by the increase in to encourage European employers steel, iron, munitions, chemicals, to imitate the back-breaking and other war industries, and speed-up now under way in Amertherefore entirely useless in any ican factories. Just as in the U.S., plan for genuine economic im- a few token slaps are taken, provement. The European econ-verbally, at "employer" and omy is being fitted for war only.

tion, that the most stable sector of Europe, economically, Britain critical period. Both Britain and Sweden find themselves caught ports and imports. Britain, which in 1950, had virtually succeeded in closing this gap, now finds that double her exports. This means that the British are going further

primarily to America. But don't for a minute imagine debt, she is at least getting something out of it. The main reason got. she is caught with this ever widening gap is because American capitalists are charging so much more for every item imported by Britain. Britain is only getting 18 percent more goods now than a year ago, but she has to pay 43 percent more for this stuff. And the worst case of all s that of raw materials: Britain has.

> in such a way that the American capitalist takes back from Europe much that the American taxpayer sends over there. Just as the figures we gave in last week's analysis show, the chief beneficiary of Marshall Plan aid is the American capitalist, the second beneficiary is the European capitalist, while the American worker pays in heavy taxes and rising prices, and the European worker is ground into deeper poverty.

imports only 11 percent more raw

materials now than a year ago,

but for this increased amount she

must pay prices that average 76

DISAPPOINTMENT

Michael Hoffman, writing in the N. Y. Times of August 12 eports from Europe: "It is a profound disappointment to Euroeans to find that the upshot of the whole recovery drive has been to leave an insolvent Britain. . .

oncealed from the America public by a fake ballyhooing campaign for the "successes" of ECA, phony percentage statistics and, last but not least, "new master plans" which ECA masterschedule.

This last item, the "new plans"

so often, are among the most Michigan. Reports friend was half way down the fraudulent products of our fraudfrom literature block, an AFL machinist to whom | ulent rulers in Washington. Take ington's ECA offices, and flaunted abroad under headlines: a sudden plan now to "revivify" some explanation of why a new plan must suddenly be launched to "revivify" an economy that should already be "revivified" ac cording to ECA statistics.

THE "NEW" PLAN

As a matter of fact, this "new plan" is brought forward at such a time and in such a way as to draw attention away from the past record of ECA and to obviate the necessity for explaining what has happened to the billions in the ECA treasury during the past months and years of ECA.

ominous tone for the workers of Western Europe. Anti-labor formulations are prominent in the points of the program. The ECA proposes to start dealing with some of the following prob-

1. "Social and individual in ertia."

2. "Lack of incentives to productivity improvement by owners and workers."

3. "Positive handicaps in the form of adverse action by cartels, trade associations, and business colleagues, and, frequently, by

rules, and pressures against in- of the officers and members of dividual workers who seek to in- the League for a most enjoyable crease their rate of increase."

employment that have frequently atmosphere. "We are all looking been identified by labor as the forward to coming back to

proposes to deal with in Europe have a familiar ring to American workers. It is quite evident that And finally, Time neglects to ECA is preparing to export the "cartel" practices, but real life In fact, so far is Europe from practise shows that American any genuine economic stabiliza- officialdom will make no serious moves against capitalists.

Further aspects of the plan and Sweden, is entering a new have been reported by Time magazine in the following words: "Above all, ECA insists, European with a widening gap between ex- employers must be willing to adopt one principle of U.S.-style capitalism: increased profits must 'filter down to the worker' in her imports are up to almost better pay or lower prices." The "better pay and lower prices" principle of "U.S.-style capitalism" that Time boasts about is to be exported to Europe as another Marshall Plan aid. But we that while Britain is going into have to suggest this fallacy: You can't export what you haven't

GUNS NOT BUTTER

As a matter of fact, that is the whole secret of the failure of the Marshall Plan. They are trying to export to Europe the secret of how to get prosperity for a dying capitalist system, and they haven't got that secret. Nobody

The tipoff on the real meaning of the "new plan" to "revivify Europe" that ECA is working on, comes in the notice that ECA gives to European capitalism: we Thus American price rises work will only give aid to those factories that make products which benefit "Europe as a whole." Time explains this by saying: "Example: a Dutch shipbuilder would probably qualify for aid, a French girdle -maker would not." Time could have explained this much more accurately by saying: a French tank builder would probably qualify for aid, a winemaker, or baker, or textile manufacturer would not.

In other words, what is ahead for European workers is more of what Hitler, Mussolini, and Petain gave them: more guns,

Tenants League It is these facts that are being Holds Outing at Mt. Spring Camp

The Lenox-Fifth Ave. Tenants League of Harlem, N. Y. celebrated the fourth anniversary of the founding of this organization at an all-day outing on Sunday Aug. 12 at Mountain Spring Camp, Washington, N. J. More than forty members and friends of this Tenant's League with their children came to the outing by chartered bus.

In the course of the outing an address was delivered by Mrs. Clyde Turner, councilmanic candicialist Workers Party ticket. Mrs. fo the tenacious fight the Tenants League has been carrying on since its foundation four years ago in behalf of its members, dwellers of the worst slums in Harlem.

STEP FORWARD

"Wherever, we, the poor and the oppressed," she said, "come together and organize in order to remove any of the evils which the capitalist system is continually inflicting upon us, no matter what the nature of the evil may be, it is a step forward to Socialism."

"Your struggle," she continued, "is part of the struggle for a better New York; and the struggle for a better New York, a better Philadelphia is part of the struggle for a better world, a ocialist world."

An excellent program of sports and entertainment was prepared by the camp management. The camp chef surpassed himself baking a huge birthday cake in honor of the League's fourth birthday.

Before leaving the camp Mrs. Alphonso Jenkins, wife of the League's president, thanked the 4. "Over-restrictive union camp management in the name day of excellent food, fine en-5. "Fears of speed up and un- tertainment and warm friendly

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the country are still carrying

(Continued from Page 1) when there was a bumper crop workers the line of supporting are "going all-out" to reduce ers who produce all wealth are of key agricultural commodities. capitalist politicians who systhem, reports Women's Wear tematically aid and abet the war Daily, Aug. 13. Heaviest stock ing with unsold goods. Wholesale profiteers? With the 1952 elec- are held by stores in New York, houses complain of enormous in- tions looming, it's high time that Chicago, Philadelphia, Los Anventories and a "soft buyers' labor made a clean and final break geles and Boston. Cut-backs on with all capitalist politics and orders have been prevalent. Inpoliticians and entered the field ventories overloaded by some 30 under its own independent banner, percent are common. In some with a fighting program against cases the overload runs as high

(Continued from Page 1)

already extremely inequitable, would be rendered more so. At to take the money from those who Militant sells itself," she writes. Truman's loyalty purge, who is the present time, sales and excise have large quantities of it. The "Wednesday evening two of us fighting for reinstatement to his taxes, Federal, State and "soak the poor" tax plan must be went out to sell individual copies job. This contribution has been municipal, take almost 12 per- turned into a "soak the rich" of The Militant in the neigh- forwarded to the Kutcher Civil only likely result of productivity Mountain Spring Camp," Mrs. cent of every family income program.

Junder \$1,000, and almost 10 perhome a larger income than the

The NAM tax program, while down our throats despite the fact and distributed back issues of "opposed" by the administration, to two young fellows who read it and who then showed The Militant to passers-by and urged them

the average of a couple of hun- gram is in direct conflict with dred dollars per year, it would the needs of the American peoactually boost the incomes of ple, who are rapidly being crushthose now getting more than ed under an increasing load of a wide expansion of Militant \$7,500 per year by an average of high prices, rising taxes, and sales." a couple of thousand dollars per mounting personal debts. Union-

MILITART ARMY Socialist Workers Party candi- headquarters. We had less than

Long Island farmer Raymond T. Bailey sits by as New York

garbage collectors empty his bushels of string beans into garbage

truck. Offered 25 cents a bushel for beans when baskets alone

cost him that much, Bailey preferred to dump his entire ship-

ment rather than sell.

the value of The scribe.

Party candidate for Councilman. Literature Agent George Rock reports the experience in New York of a number of comrades drugstore newsstand has been out getting signatures on petitions to put Michael Bartell on the ballot for City Council Presi- to 15."

to sign the petition also. "One petitioner, Ann, sold a who asked about the Socialist George says, "we expect to combine our election campaign with each issue sooner, she says.

ists everywhere should demand ature Agent Jean describes one Militant and Fourth International, side." of their local and international of the experiences that make magazine of Marxist theory. He union bodies that taxation on all selling The Militant interesting also enclosed a \$5 donation to the incomes under \$5,000 a year be and rewarding. "The enclosed defense fund for James Kutcher. halted, and that Congress begin subscription is proof that The legless veteran and victim of borhood of our new Cleveland Rights Defense Committee.

dates have now entered election an hour and wanted to sell as minds produce on a split second campaigns in California, Mas- many papers as possible, without sachusetts, N e w taking the time to sell subs, so Jersey, New York, we didn't bother taking any sub which ECA comes out with every Pennsylvania, and blanks along. However, when my agents in these lo- she had sold an individual copy as an instance, the project calities are already came running after her. He had recently reported out of Wash beginning to show already read it and wanted to sub-

Militant as an elec- "In less than 45 minutes she "ECA Prepares Master Plan to tion campaigner and sold the sub and 7 individual Revivify Eastern Europe," etc. the possibilities for copies and I sold 11 papers - and First of all, we should take note increasing Militant this was on the same day as the that ECA, if it comes out with date in Philadelphia on the Socirculation during local election FBI arrests and scare headlines campaigns. Philadelphia Militant in the local papers, so obviously Europe, is duty bound to make Turner expressed her admiration salesmen sold their entire bundle the attempt to intimidate indeat a recent election rally for pendent thinking is not succeed-Clyde Turner, Socialist Workers ing completely by a long shot.

"Incidentally, in the same neighborhood in which we sold the papers, the main corner selling out its 10 Militants weekly and this week increased its order

Literature Agent Kat of Akron wishes to congratulate Jean Cleveland rank and file truckers' strike in the Aug. 6 issue of The Militant. "'The need of the hour,' entire report, not just in the last paragraph." she writes. "With this issue we're really set up for some house to house canvassing with The Militant."

R. Q. of Pittsburgh writes to subscription to The Militant on renew her subscription to The the street to an interested signer | Militant. "It's due to expire some time this month and I don't want Workers Party program. As soon to miss a single issue." She is as our petition drive is over," only sorry that due to the slowness of the mail she can't get Many thanks to D. P. of Gary

Indiana for the \$1 contribution A letter from Cleveland Liter- sent in with his renewal to The the governments on the labor

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Hearst and the Free Press

On William Randolph Hearst's tombstone the following epitaph should be inscribed: "Here lies an evil man. He spent his whole life and the great wealth he was born to, building a gigantic empire dedicated to the lie. His hatred of labor was equaled only by his vile prejudice against every oppressed race and nationality. Whenever reaction triumphed he rejoiced; wherever the workers lifted their heads to fight oppression and tyranny he used his poisonous yellow press against them. He will be remembered as the proper symbol of capitalist 'democracy' and 'freedom of the press.'"

Hearst was probably one of the most hated figures in America. There is hardly a worker anywhere who does not associate his name with everything that is reactionary. He collected in his editorial stable a string of anti-labor poisonpen artists like William Pegler. But the big point about Hearst was always missed by the liberals who "deplored" this "blight on American journalism" as a peculiar phenomenon. But Hearst and Hearstism is the typical product of the capitalist system. He was no worse and no better than any of the financial satraps who run this country. If his life didn't prove that conclusively, his death certainly does.

In addition to the enormous wealth he squandered in a way of life typical of the moneyed plutocracy in this country, he used his class privileges to acquire a chain of eighteen newspapers and nine magazines. These newspapers reached at least five million readers every day.

By what right could this feudal mind, steeped in ignorance and prejudice, wield such great political and propaganda power? The answer is simple; by the right of private capitalist property. In this respect there is not an iota of difference between Hearst and the rest of the capitalist magnates who rule the newspapers and other agencies of propaganda and information in the U.S.

Nor is there any other basic difference between Hearst and other capitalist newspapers. They all play the same game and spread the big capitalist lie. Each in its own way.

In accordance with the rules of capitalist "democracy," Hearst leaves his newspapers to his five sons who promise to carry on in the tradition of their father. We can well believe them. They have been properly trained.

In the meantime the real situation regarding "freedom of the press" under capitalism, is sharply outlined by one fact: This multi-millionaire family will continue to own and operate one of the largest chain of newspapers in the world — while the American labor movement with 15,000,000 members doesn't have a single daily newspaper.

Shabby Rich Man

A shabby old man sat on the curb of a Brooklyn street and died last week. Investigation showed that he didn't have a dime in his pockets or in his \$7 a week shabby furnished room, but that he owned a half-a-million dollars of top-notch stocks. Further investigation showed that dividends for these stocks were regularly deposited in the Brooklyn Trust Company and the National City Bank. A ledger which recorded every penny spent by the deceased 73-year-old miser was also found.

A tragic story? Yes, but also an instructive one.

For in his own way, this demented man was a logical product of our society. Although he was an exceptional case, and very few others of the millions that live in poverty in the U.S. have fat bank accounts and hidden shoe boxes full of stocks, he was nevertheless the final end, the highest creation of capitalist culture.

What had capitalism taught this lonely man? It taught him that we must all live as beasts of the jungle: friendless, hated, taken advantage of, with only the protection of our teeth and claws to keep us secure. And what kind of teeth and claws do we have under capitalism? Why, money, of course.

force if necessary.

Dormitories.

What happened in the twisted mind of this modern Silas Marner is that the daily obsession of each of us with money became transformed into a mania. He became so maniacally obsessed with the collection of money that he even forgot what it is used for.

And is he so different from the big capitalists whom he is attempting to imitate? Not really. All of them are engrossed in the attempt to amass far more money than they can ever possibly spend, and in order to do this absurd thing they are ready to punish, cause suffering, deprive others of the necessities of life, and even cause the deaths of millions in wars that are profitable only to the capitalists.

Of course this miser was crazy. But he was shaped by a crazy system. He lived alone like a beast of the jungle, without kith or kin, endlessly snarpening his money-teeth and his money-claws which the capitalist system had taught him were his supreme safeguard and defense.

When they tell us that this capitalist system is the best of all possible systems, and that we must help them to save it, we tell them: No thank you! Give us the clean, free world of socialism where the disease of money-madness will be un-

Cadet "Code" Alien to U.S.

Franco Pact Hit by British **Left Socialists**

Demand Withdrawal From Atlantic Pact

The passage of Washington the behind - the - scenes wooing of Franco toward an open alliance with this Fascist dictator has sent a wave of revulsion through the ranks of labor in Europe. Among those greatly, aroused have been the British workers. What the British Left Socialists, the most radical wing of the ruling Labor Party, think of Truman's new alliance with Franco is expressed in the August issue of Socialist Outlook, the publication of this tendency.

The text of the article, whose author is L. Gordon, follows:

'defense of democracy.'

Everybody knows that Franco ame to power by the bloody overhrow of the legally elected Spanish government. Everybody knows that this was made possible hombers supplied to him by Hitler and Mussolini. Everybody knows that he has maintained himself in power only by means of a police terror - under which trade unions are illegal and the penalty for strikes is death.

"LIBERALIZED"

So the press has tried to spread the story that the regime is to be 'liberalized." But the Daily Telegraph of July 20 gives the game away.

"Some attempt," it says, "will certainly be made by the new team to meet, or at all events to go through the motions of meeting the oft repeated desire of the American government and people for the liberalization of the regime. . .

And as an example of such motions" the new cabinet contains as Secretary for War the former Secretary of the Falangist Party who commanded the Spanish Blue Division on Hitler's Eastern Front!

The Daily Telegraph concludes that "It is safe to say that no spectacular development of the rather vague signs of 'liberalization' is to be looked for, at all events in the immediate future.'

SAME FRANCO

Of course not! Franco dare not allow even the beginnings of democracy. To allow freedom of speech, to allow workers to organize and elect their own ieaders would be to sign his own leath warrant.

America will bolster Franco's regime - and if the Spanish workers try to overthrow Franco as they have every right to, they



FRANCO

Organization.

For Britain and France to protest against this alliance withand yet remain in the Atlantic World War when she wants to. officer, as well as the cadets. And we shall find ourselves dragged in, and lined up with - not for democracy - but for

The working class movement nust draw the logical conclusion from its opposition to an alliance with Franco, and insist that the government withdraw from the Atlantic Pact while there is still

Senator went on to say.

stiffened."

capitalism.

By Harry Frankel The hubbub at the "Point" continues and gives us ordinary mortals a further glimpse of the life of the cloistered elite that is being trained up to rule over us

chief . of the Detroit Tank Arsenal, they cry that "We only

the country.

So that by now, it looks like out doing something concrete is everyone at "the Point" can sheer hypocrisy. To say they will holler, along with General Crawnot have an alliance with Franco ford: "We only did the same as only by the tanks, guns and Pact will deceive nobody. America caught." That includes the footeveryone else, only we were can, and will, start the Third ball coach and the commanding

The fake "honor" routine at West Point is designed, as we Franco, Chiang Kai-shek, Syng- pointed out last week in The man Rhee, Nazi generals and all Militant, to convince everyone, thing special about a West-Pointer, about an officer and a gentleman in the U.S. Army, that places him above the ordinary mortals of the population, and especially above the enlisted men he is to command.

Truman's Ally PRUSSIANISM BROUGHT INTO NATION VIA WEST POINT OFFICER TRAINING

in a militarized America and to direct the conquest of the rest of the world.

The cadets continue to give out with anguished wails. Like General Crawford, the gift-happy did the same as everyone else, only we were caught."

In the meantime, it is further revealed that the authorities in command of West Point, like all prison keepers, had extracted confessions from the cadets through the use of stool-pigeons, provocateurs, and threats of Leavenworth sentences. Still further, it was revealed that the Army football squad has been recruited and maintained by The American alliance with will — like the Chinese and the of "favors" and exemptions Franco has given a rude shock to Koreans — have to fight Uncle similar to the means used by proper organization and discipline. ranks, and really reflect the those who have tried to disguise Sam and his United Nations every football coaching staff in But in 1817, Major Sylvanus population of this country. Let the dollar-happy colleges around Thayer, a thickheaded, police- the ranks choose their own of-

This is indispensable for any organization where the leaders

come to the top, not by the Europe, studying the military choice of the ranks, but by of- schools of the decayed, feudalficial, bureaucratic order from type, monarchy-ridden armies above. Since these men are not likely to possess the respect of just fought a revolution to shake the ranks, they must be given a off! substitute for respect in the form Like Benedict Arnold, Major

elite status, a military caste. without the Prussian military lousier. tradition, and the early army officers were democratically chosen, the Revolutionary War.

Even West Point, first estabminded martinet of the Prussian ficers, as they did in 1776. type, subverted the early traditions of the U.S. Army and substituted the military caste notions that have come down to us in the be used for leadership training. form of the present codes and But the men who go there will regimes at West Point, and the be chosen democratically, and Academy slogan: "Duty, Honor, their "code of honor" will be

which the American people had

of fear. This is a Prussianized Thayer betrayed West Point to a foreign enemy, only while Arnold If we wanted to imitate the betrayed the site of the future capitalist controlled press, we military academy to the British could point our finger at West and failed in his object, Thayer Point and shout: "This is an un- betrayed West Point to the vicious American institution, imported military traditionalism of dicfrom Europe by subversives who tator-ridden Europe and succeedtry to undermine American tradi- ed. I know Benedict Arnold is not tions." But, for a change, this popular with Americans, but in would be the truth. For it is a my book, Major Sylvanus Thayer fact that early America was and his continuators are marked

The Prussian - type "honor" fakeroo at the Academy is all even elected by the ranks, during wrong, but that is not all that is wrong up on the reservation. We Americans don't need a special lished in 1802, was permeated caste to rule over us, whether in with this democratic tradition; so the Army or outside it. There is much so that the complaint was no reason why the leaders of the made that West Point lacked Army can't rise right out of the

Of course, the 14,000 well equipped acres that lie 50 miles above New York can then still democratic, and not autocratic, Where did Thayer get his they will be real leaders, and not ideas? Why, he traveled in a caste of Prussian martinets.

other enemies of the working class — to make the world safe themselves, that there is some-TO FORCE HARSH TERMS

(Cont. from page 1)

Kaesong!

it is telling to the Chinese and faith." Korean negotiators. That is that they fear the American people demands.

Meanwhile, the Pentagon has not made any serious effort to explain away the statements of prominent U.S. officials and military men to the effect that a truce at the 38th parallel would be satisfactory and even a victory. For instance, on June 26, 1951, Secretary of State Dean Acheson said: "An end to the fighting in Korea on the basis of the 38th parallel would amount to a successful conclusion of the war."

But on Aug. 1, after the truce onference had opened, Acheson said: "The 38th parallel is unacceptable as a line of demarcation for the buffer zone because it is militarily indefensible."

When Acheson made his first statement favoring the 38th parallel, the battle front was approximately the same as it is

In the meanwhile, some ele

ments of the military and officialdom on the U.S. side kept up a continual propaganda puppet of the U.S. and his foreign minister, Pyong Yong Tai, possible.

General Van Fleet, U.S. Eighth ficer" of no less than general's Army Commander, said on Aug. rank. Brigadier General William 14 that in the event of a renewal Nuckols devotes himself entirely of the fighting, his troops will to the job of maintaining this "really clobber them," and he secrecy that surrounds the U.S. added: "I don't know anything terms. Perhaps the classic remark that would get it over faster." Of of the whole truce conference was course, if fighting is the fastest Nuckol's warning to the press way to get it over with, then Genagainst "wild speculation" as to eral Van Fleet presumably favors the nature of U.S. demands at fighting instead of truce. All that must be pointed out here is that Why there should be any if statements such as those issued speculation, or any secrecy at all by Syngman Rhee and Van Fleet cannot be explained on any honest were being made instead by grounds. There can be only one Chinese and Korean high officials, reason why the Pentagon would they would be blazoned forth on want to keep secret from the the front page of every American American people something which newspaper as evidence of "bad

However, the continuation of the negotiations well beyond two would not back them in unfair dozen sessions shows that American imperialism still holds to the policy that a truce in Korea is its best bet at the present time. The main reason for this is that the Pentagon has learned that it is fighting powerful forces in the East, and that all American energies may not be sufficient to defeat the power of the Asian revolution.

> U.S. tactics in the negotiations show that American imperialists hope to dictate the truce on strictly their own terms.

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which refused flatly to hear their arguments. The capitalist press refused to publish the facts as the farmers' committee found them. The corruption unmasked was too embarrassing.

Recently several of the farms, including that of the Ziegenhardts, were sold at a sheriff's sale to a Mrs. Grace White. She attempted to have the Ziegenhardts evicted. They refused to go and the farmers have rallied legalized robbery.

LESSONS

There are definite lessons to be learned from this struggle. First it shows that normally conservative Republicans such as most of these farmers are, when faced with such injustice will and must become militant. Secondly we can learn from the mistakes made. These farmers have failed to appeal to the unions for support and the unions with the exception of the Revere Brass Local in Detroit have failed to take interest and offer support. A perfect chance to cement a farm labor alliance is being passed up. With farmers and labor united the press and officials would find it hard to ignore the facts and at the same time an alliance could be formed that would be to the advantage of both farm and labor when battling for their common

N. Y. Teachers Win Pay Raises

New York teachers have wo their fifteen - month struggle against the prevailing practice of 'extra-curricular activities" without any pay. The Board of Estimate approved on Aug. 16 a series of pay raises in the face of growing threats by the teachers of an all-out strike. The new maximum salaries for teachers are now \$6,500 a year. The old maximum scale ranged from \$5,-675 to \$6,500.

TWIN CITIES

Trotsky Memorial Meeting

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Speaker:

Dorothy Schultz

WEST COAST VACATION SCHOOL SEPT. 2 TO 9

Senator Admits U.S. Capitalism

Can't Live Without All-Out War

headed for a slump or at least a descent to lower levels.

"Farm prosperity was on the skids to such an exte

limitations on growing certain crops had been invoked.'

created by World War II had been largely overcome.

"Only 14 months ago, the economy of our country seemed

"Over three million men were unemployed. Except for a

These words from a speech by Senator Aiken of Vermont

"Then came the Korean outbreak and the situation changed

Then Senator Aiken, one of the staunchest supporters of

few heavy industries, the lag in production and construction

to the Missouri Farmers Association Inc. at Columbia Mo.,

were reprinted in the Congressional Record of August 10. The

virtually overnight. The trend toward depression was definitely

off. Unemployment began to ease off. Demand and prices

capitalism was forced to admit, "What a tragedy it is that

as a Nation we must rely upon war or the threat of war to

maintain full employment and economic prosperity. . . . Should

the time come when war clouds no longer threaten . . . we will

be confronted with a problem of major degree."

West Coast Vacation School for Workers is about to open its 1951 The eamp will run for 8 full days, from Sunday, September 2 through with an educational and recreational program not to be found at any other summer camp in this part of the country.

The camp consists of an up to date, modern camp-site, with a large swimming pool, tennis court, and recreational hall. Provisions are at hand for all kinds of indoor and outdoor recreation, and the camp committee is arranging contests, games, dances, song fests, etc.

The educational program is a full one and Militant readers have a wide variety to choose from. Pick as many or as few as you please. The two daily classes deal with American History, and with Mexican History. The latter also will deal with current Mexican - American problems. Other classes deal with Marxism and the National Question, the Negro Question, the American Indians, and Dialectical Materialism. A seminar for students of Capital will be held. Under preparation

A first-class chef and dish-

washer have been hired to do season at Carbon Canyon, about justice to a large supply of food.

formation on rates and schedule said on Aug. 13 that it is idle to contact the West Coast Vacation talk of attempting to reunite School at 1702 E. 4th St., Los Korea by peaceful means, and Angeles 33, California, or call that the coexistence of "com-AN 94953. Hurry before registra- munism and democracy" is imtions close.

LOS ANGELES, August 10 — is a basic training class for teen-The annual encampment of the agers.

thirty miles from Los Angeles. Arrangements are being made to care for children which should give parents more time to par-September 9, and as many old ticipate in camp activity. The cost readers of The Militant remember, is only \$32.50 for adults for the against any truce. For example, is run on a co-operative basis eight days or \$5 per day. Lower Syngman Rhee, South Korean rates prevail for those at the age of 18 and under. For further in-

Los Angeles Militant School Sixth Session -- Sunday evening, Aug. 26

7:30 P.M. - ASIA IN REVOLT: Present stage of Asia in and China, Crisis of world imperialism in the Orient. Future revolt. Civil war in Korea. America and China. Soviet Union of Stalinism in Asia.

8:30 P.M. - HISTORY OF NEGRO STRUGGLE: The Garvey movement and the NAACP and the Negro Question today.

THE MILITANT SCHOOL

1702 East 4th Street AN 9-4953

Recently the Clarks were guests of honor at a United Nations Celebration in Norwalk. A banquet and a parade were part of the festivities. Their young daughter Adelaide, age nine, was presented a scholarship in music. The family was given time on the Barry Gray radio program.

Previous to this, the family was in New York City, where they gave an interview at the headquarters of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored Peoples. The N. Y. Post reports that there was, "the largest array of television and newsreel cameras, radio mikes, photographers and reporters ever assembled at the office of the NAACP."

What is behind all this? Why is Cicero such big news when lynch mobs are certainly not new to America? Why the scholarships and parades? Why the television cameras? Thousands of Americans have suffered the brutalities of beatings and house burnings, but there were no banquets from the liberals. What's so special about Cicero? The explanation is obvious.

Cicero dramatically exposed the rottenness of American capitalism to the oppressed peoples of the whole world, thereby impeding the imperialist drive toward world conquest. Cicero was reported in all the major newspapers across the globe. So

now the cry goes out far and wide - "It was an isolated accident! We didn't mean it!"

To no avail! All the UN parages and banquets, all the radio programs in the world will not nide

ganized mob drove them out and wrecked their apartment. The end result is that the Clark's have been forced to put a thousand miles between them and Cicero. All the sweet words of the liperals have not changed this!

11 justice really ruled this country, the Clarks would still be living in Cicero, Ill. and it would be the hoodiums and the police force that would be moving out. Not justice, but the organized fury of the capitalists, their police and goon squads rule this country. As long as the thousands of Clarks are forced to move while the mobs remain, there is no justice in America.

The CIO, in its earlier years, showed the way to handle the would-be fascists. Many a rat slinked back to his sewer in the face of militant action in those days.

How great then is the shame of the cowardly tion the party will run a candiunion leaders and NAACP officials who have permitted this defeat when the might of the organized Negro people united with the power of the American Labor movement could put an end

By Doris Jones

The House Appropriations defense subcommittee has been holding secret hearings and has recently made public some of the testimony presented before it. Among those who testified was Brig. Gen. John H. Michaelis, former assistant commander of the 25th Division in Korea, who was appointed last month to serve as a "training coordinator" on Gen. Eisenhower's staff.

Gen. Michaelis told the House subcommittee in strictest confidence that the American fighting men "are much better troops than we had in World War II." And he went on to sing their praises, calling them "wonderful people," "wonderful leaders," and "wonderful soldiers." And why? Because, according to the General the American soldier has now become "a professional killer... They know they can kill...

It is with this conception of "wonderful people" and "wonderful leaders" that the General has departed for Europe to help build up Atlantic Pact armies there. Gen. Michaelis is by no means an exception. He merely stated frankly and brutally the ideal of the rising military caste. Their "ideal" is to turn millions of American youth into "professional killers." And the sooner and quicker they can transform this country into a huge armed camp of youth who "know they can kill" the happier and louder and more arrogant will these militarists become.

The peoples of Europe who have for centuries groaned under the iron heel of militarism are well acquainted with this conception of "wonderful people." But I remember being taught in school how alien it was to this country's traditions. I learned as a child that America was settled by millions of men and women who sought refuge from the military despotisms of Europe and who refused to knuckle under to them. They were the rebels who refused to be regimented; they were the people who were the advanced thinkers and brought over new ideas to a new land.

I remember also learning in school that World War I was supposedly fought to rid the world

ministration tears into radicals with a witch-

hunt and reign of terror, will sooner or later

A little news item in connection with the CIO

organization drive in the South shows us once

more how the witch-hunt against radicals is

bound sooner or later to be broadened out to in-

pay for this shortsightedness and cowardice.

forever of the Kaiser's military machine; and we were also told that World War II was fought for virtually the same reason, substituting the word "Hitler" for "Kaiser."

Why are the capitalist rulers today determined, like their European predecessors, to put the tate of the American youth in the hands of the militarists to teach them to become "professional killers"? Because there is no other way in which dying capitalism with its shrinking markets can make the world safe - not for democracy - but for their investments and profits abroad. They're going to have a world safe for their exploitation even if they have to train the American youth how to slaughter half the people on this earth.

But Gen. Michaelis and his kind are only dreaming of the fine and wonderful militarypolice state they believe it possible to build in this country. Such a state cannot be built without professional killers. That's for sure. But can the millions of G.I. Joes be ever cast in such a mold? That's a trifle that is overlooked by all the Gen. Michaelises.

The American youth have fine and wonderful traditions of their own. Their forefathers fought against militarists and despots of all types. It was the last generation of American youth that was in the front lines of the struggle to build the great labor unions. And how long ago was it that the G.I. Joes went on strike in the Pacific when they decided they wanted to go home and didn't want to police Asia?

These youths are quite capable of having visions of a different and better future than that as "professional killers." It is precisely because the capitalist spokesmen and their generals can hold out no other prospect than that of converting our planet into a huge slaughter house that will impel millions of American youth to decide to bury the rotten corpse of capitalism and to begin building the socialist world of security, prosperity

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PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 11 -

The Socialist Workers Party held

its second successful street meet-

ing of the 1951 Election Cam-

was the principal speaker.

time trying to whip the American

Comrade Turner promised that

A. Verna, who spoke next, gave

a brief resume of the problems

facing American workers and

minorities and, urging them to

hands, counterposed the SWP's

election platform, giving an in-

dication of some of the changes

and benefits which can be ex-

pected under a socialist society.

The chairman summed up the

speeches and called on the work-

ers to read The Militant and sup-

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The next meeting of the series

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Two in Frisco **Election Race**

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16 -The Socialist Workers Party announced today the candidacy of Harry Press for Supervisor in the November city elections. In addidate in the Mayoralty race.

Mr. Press is an active tradeunionist, a thirteen-year member of the National Union of Marine Cooks and Stewards.

An experienced campaigner, Harry Press ran for State Assembly in the 20th District in 1948 and in 1950. In both elections he received 14 percent of the total vote cast. In the 1950 elections he spoke to 24 different local unions including the two big waterfront unions.

Every registered voter will receive by mail a statement from the Socialist Workers candidates The campaign will be officially launched at an election rally and launched at an election rally and Trotsky Memorial Meeting on Sat. Aug. 25.

Detroit Mayoralty Candidate Slams Cobo Backers



HOWARD LERNER

Howard Lerner, candidate for Mayor of Detroit on the Social- A SOCIALIST PLEDGE ist Workers Party ticket, today denounced the tie between unions as a genuine socialist City and capitalist party politicians. Councilman, she would expose the crookedness and bad faith of the Lerner saw the endorsement of corrupt capitalist politicians. strikebreaking Mayor Cobo by Whether elected or not, she leading Democrats as proof that pledged to continue a genuine the Socialist Workers Party is struggle of the Philadelphia workright in opposing any tie-ups by the unions with the politicians of ism. the two old-line, capitalist parties.

BOOMERANG Mr. Lerner stated: "Unity beween the Democratic Party and take matters into their own the labor leadership has boomeranged against workers again. The announcement by three leading Democrats that they will support strikebreaking Mayor Cobo for reelection shows that the Democratic Party, like the Republican, is no friend of labor."

Included in the trio referred to by Lerner is Charles Edgecomb, a former President of Motor Products Local 203, UAW - CIO, whom Mr. Lerner refers to as "a former union leader who is nothing but a Democratic hack to-

"Cobo is closely associated with Republican politicians," the SWP the same hour. candidate for Mayor went on, "but that didn't stop these Democratic leaders who are supposed to be friends of labor, from endorsing him."

Lerner denounced the UAW union leadership for refusing to run candidates directly from the labor movement and responsible to it. He charged that the UAW heads are "proceeding quietly to give support to another Democratic politician, Ed Brannigan,

> For a Socialist **Future Support** The Candidates Of the SWP

Runs for Boston School Committee

BOSTON. Mass., Aug. 14 -The Socialist Workers Party announced today the candidacy of Lawrence P. Trainor for member of the Boston School Committee.

Mr. Trainor, an active leader many years, is a well-known figure to Boston voters. He received over 4,000 votes in 1947 when he ran for the same post. He has gained a reputation for interests of the workers.

BARRED FROM BALLOT

Two years ago Trainor was barred from the ballot on the basis of a flimsy technicality. In order to forestall a repetition of this, his supporters have collected and filed 3,600 nominating signatures, though the legal requirement is 2,000.

A statement released today by he Boston Branch of the SWP said, "Although the election is hypocritically "non-partisan" in character, Trainor will present the socialist answers to the problems facing the working class and minority groups." paign here Friday night at 11th



LAWRENCE TRAINOR

Pledges to Expose Trenton Frame-Up

George Breitman, Socialist Workers Party candidate for New Jersey Assembly from Essex County, repeated last week his ledge, if elected, to introduce a resolution demanding a speedy investigation, trial and punishment of the perpetrators of the Trenton frame-up.

Breitman also singled out for mmediate action the repeal of the vicious New Jersey Utilities Anti-Strike Law.

The candidate insisted, "No one, in Washington or Trenton, should be able to deprive the American workers of their right to strike."

A veteran campaigner for socialism, Breitman ran for U.S. Senator from New Jersey in 1946 and in 1948. He received over 8,000 votes in the 1948 elections.

For information on how you can help in George Breitman's campaign, write or get in touch with us at the campaign headquarters, 423 Springfield Avenue, Newark, N. J. The Newark par-It will be followed by a meeting ty plans one of the most extensive campaigns in its history.



GEORGE BREITMAN

Socialist Workers Party candidates have opened cam-Lawrence Trainor paigns for the fall elections in six states. Steps to launch effective and energetic campaigns have been announced by Socialist Workers Party branches in San Francisco, Cal., Detroit. Mich.. Philadelphia, Pa., Newark, N. J., New York City, N. Y., and Boston, Mass.

> Experienced Socialist Workers Party campaigners are planning to take advantage of every opportunity to place the program of Socialism before the voters. They want to reach more workers than ever before with the SWP slogans against war, and against the reactionary trends in the U.S.

All the SWP candidates will campaign for the withdrawal of all U.S. troops from foreign soil, for taxation of in working class struggles for the incomes of war-bloated profiteers, against taxing workers' incomes, against Jim Crow and for a workers and farmers government.

He has gained a reputation for his uncompromising stand in the interests of the workers. BARTELL PUSHES FIGHT ON RISING LIVING COSTS

NEW YORK, N. Y., Aug. 16 - | must take its full share of ers candidate for President of the ties," charged Bartell. City Council, will open his campaign officially at an election rally and Trotsky Memorial Meet- one has ever been indicted. These ing, Friday, Aug. 24, 8 P.M., at the Capitol Hotel.

"Living standards are being finger. lowered in New York as drastically as elsewhere in the country," said Bartell in a statement issued today. More than 150,000 families in the city have had ists or the workers?" - that is their rent increased since March 15; the official estimate is an paign according to the Socialist average increase of 13 percent. The real figure is almost double that since the poorest families are gang in City Hall serves only the always the hardest hit.

TAX GOUGE

"The price and tax gouge in New York has in many respects outstripped the rest of the country and more price rises are ahead. Added to these hardships is a wave of joblessness. Applications for unemployment insurance | their rotten system. during the month of July were double the official expectations."

Council, along with the Mayor, minority peoples."

Michael Bartell, Socialist Work- responsibility for these atroci-

Not only has no cop been convicted of these brutal crimes, not "legal" killings continue: but the City Council refuses to lift a

WHO WILL RULE?

"Who will rule City Hall in the next two years, the capitalthe main question of this cam-Workers candidate.

Bartell continued, "The present interests of Big Business and race - baiters. They are not interested in defending the living standards of the New York workers. Bigger profits for the capitalists - that's their main concern.

"They are not interested in stopping the cop-killers of Negroes. They need them to protect

"Only a City Council run by and for the workers and minority Eight cold-blooded murders of groups in this city can put up a innocent Negroes by the New fight to halt the lowering of York cops have occurred in the living standards, safeguard civil past two years alone. "The City liberties and protect the lives of

— The Negro Struggle —

Facts Show Army Jim Crow Goes On

The Iron Curtain of U.S. censorship of the views of GI's on the Korean War was partly cut through last week by the now famous letter of the courageous marine lieutenant to 'Iruman damning the waste and destruction of human lives and money in the imperialist slaughter.

Similar sentiments have been expressed by numerous Negro soldiers throughout the Korean War, but have been reported cautiously in the Negro press, and not mentioned at all in the white capitalist dailies.

A typical interview reported in the Pittsburgh Courier on July 11, quoted returning Corp. Charles W. Barnes, winner of two Bronze Star medals:

"I can't see what anybody wants with that war-torn, diseaseridden country. I am glad to be back home.'

More direct, because the soldiers quoted were protected from army disciplinary action by anonymity, were the reactions to the promises of ending segregation in the Far East command. As reported by Ralph Matthews, Afro-American newspaper correspondent in Tokyo:

"Men of the famed regiment (24th Infantry) are jubilant but skeptical." They are asking "What happens stateside?" "Will we be separated from our buddies while traveling in the

South," and "Where will we be stationed?" "Stop yapping about cease fire and let us come home."

Such sentiments should make it clear that if the administration thinks it can whitewash its phoney cease-fire negotiations and improve its record on civil rights by disbanding the 24th Infantry, fruman has missed again. It was too little too late.

The following statistics on segregated units in the various service commands, taken from last week's editorial page column of W. O. Walker, publisher of the Cleveland Call and Post, don't begin to give the full picture of Jim Crow in the armed forces. But they provide reliable figures that may be quoted the next time some Polyanna tells you discrimination is just fading away like an old

SOME RELIABLE FIGURES

"The Army, with 180,000 Negroes (12 percent of its strength), has abolished all segregation in basic training, but carefully divides the troops thereafter into white and Negro units.

"The Navy has about 20,000 Negroes - 3.3 percent of its strength; more than half of them are assigned to the Steward's branch (cooks, messmen) in which there are only six whites: thereare but 27 Negro officers in the Navy, including one lone Anna-"The Marines have also moved slowly: of the 200,000 men on

duty, only 2,000 are Negroes, and only three Negroes are officers. "The Air Force, which has the best record on abolishing segregation, has broken up its all-Negro squadrons." (This does not mean that discrimination has been eliminated.)

When we add to the Jim Crow in the armed forces the increased violence against Negroes, the home burnings and dynamitings that have occurred recently in the United States, we can understand the feeling of the Negro soldiers that cease-fire should mean withdrawal of all foreign troops from Korea and that their fight for democracy back in America.

The GI's are deprived of their right of free speech by military authorities, but the folks at home, who still enjoy some constitutional rights technically, owe it to the boys to voice their demands

clude a witch-hunt against labor, liberals, and Last February, CIO organizers were jailed in

Warning from Georgia

Dublin, Georgia for holding a meeting to organize a union among the workers at a lumber mill. The company, Cordell Lumber, pays its workers 50 cents per hour, in violation of the Federal minimum wage law of 75 cents. Employees who miss work have been penalized by having their pay cut down to 40 cents an hour.

Clyde G. Brook, of the CIO Southern Organizing Committee told a Senate subcommittee last week that he and another CIO organizer called a meeting of the viciously anti-union firm's employees, mostly Negroes, last February. No sooner had the meeting convened, than Sheriff Carlos Gay burst into the meeting hall, demanding to know what Brock was doing at "this damn nigger

Brock told him it was a union meeting, but Gay denounced it as a "damn Communist meeting." Brock and his fellow CIO man were then hauled

The labor movement, which is playing it "smart" and laying low while the Truman ad-

off to jail, held without charges, and were not permitted to see a lawyer. Now what is the moral of this story? Liberals will say: "This backwoods sheriff is not typical; most government officials and people in power are not going to close down union meetings as 'Communist' because there are Negroes present." Other liberals will say: "This sheriff knew it was

excuse to close it down." The liberals would be sadly mistaken if they talked this way. In the first place, there are millions of people in this country, who, because of the whipped up red-hysteria and the vicious propaganda, firmly believe that unions, interracial meetings, CIO organizers, and even Federal minimum wage legislation, are "Communist." Even many newspapers and legislators believe this,

not a 'Communist meeting' but he wanted an

And in the second place, as the feverish witchhunt continues, the present hysterical and bitterly reactionary attitudes that are being spread among police, government officials, middle class families and even many workers, will become intensified, and make it possible for the witchhunters to lump many things under the term

All of this means that the labor movement is making a stick to break its own back. When the labor officialdom goes along with the red-drive, it is arming the capitalist class of this country with one of the very few weapons that can pos-

sibly succeed in destroying the unions.

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