Trotsky's Killer Identified, Claims **True** Magazine

By Joseph Hansen

A sensational article in the October issue of True magazine reports that the real name and background of the assassin of Leon Trotsky has at last been established.

"Jacson," the agent of Stalin's dread secret police, the GPU, who succeeded in driving a pick-axe into the skull of Trotsky on August 20, 1940, is Ramon Mercader del Rio, a Spaniard brought into Stalinist ranks by his mother before the outbreak of the Spanish Civil War.

The evidence is submitted by Dr. Alfonso Quiroz, Director of the Department of Special Investigations of the Bank of Mexico. He located a police record that has been in the files of the Direccion General de Seguridad in Madrid, Spain, since 1935; that is, before Franco seized power. The fingerprints of one Ramon Mercader (del Rio is the maternal name) match those of "Jacson." A composite photostat of right

(See editorial, "Trotsky's Murderer," on Page 3.)

index fingerprints as well as front and profile police photographs of Mercader and "Jacson," apparently prepared by Dr. Quiroz, is reproduced in True.

Dr. Quiroz's interest in the

identity of the assassin began cooperation. Dr. Quiroz made it when he was assigned by the clear that he was there on a judge in the case to make a purely unofficial mission and psychiatric study in 1940-'41 of by this time several Spanish the murderer. In 1950, while on a criminologists who knew him put trip to Europe, he had the op- in a few good words and official portunity to test two conclusions doors opened more easily. he had reached in his study. "Specifically, Dr. Quiroz wanted

"1. Jacson was either a the Spaniards to compare his set Spaniard or had spent a lot of of Jacson's fingerprints with those time in Spain. He almost certainly in their files. Apparently, they had taken part in the Spanish had separate files for criminals Civil War on the Loyalist side. and political prisoners. Which

"2. He had probably under- group was he interested in? Politaken the crime with the approval | tical prisoners." of his mother."

But all Barcelona records of After attending the Interna- political prisoners were destroyed tional Criminology Congress in during the Civil War. Dr. Quiroz Paris in the fall of 1950, where went to the fingerprint division he had been invited to deliver a of police headquarters in Madrid. paper, Dr. Quiroz went to Bar-FINGERPRINTS MATCH

"He got a rather cool reception at first in police circles. After all, prints into the file room and for hilt. it was pointed out, Mexico still no reason Dr. Quiroz looked at hadn't recognized Franco's Spain his watch. When he returned, Dr and there could be no official (Continued on page 3)

SWP Election News Election Fund

GPU Victim

fast Lewis victory in the soft coal contract, are asking: How did he lo it? Biggest single point in the explanation is the well-known readiness of the United Mine

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action The Wall Street Journal, reporting from Washington, says on Sept. 22: "Both here and in Pittsburgh, the most common explanation for the northern operators' willingness to pay 32 cents an hour for peace was that they believed they would have to pay higher price anyway, and that they might as well do it before a strike.'

This fatalistic attitude towards the union's power shows that a union which has a reputation for militant action doesn't always have to strike, but can sometimes win full demands on the basis of its unsupported word. The UMW has everyone well convinced that "The print man took Jacson's it is ready to back its word to the

> PARADOXICAL SITUATION In the case of unions which have pursued a weaker, more vacillating policy in the past, such as the CIO United Steel-

workers, corporation heads are inclined to test its words because they have seen it withdraw in the past. This brought about the paradoxical situation this year where the miners union, reputedly

Nixon Scandal Shows GOP Is as Corrupt as Democrats

Workers of the World, Unite!

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Miners Win Pay Boost by Strike Threat

Labor circles, buzzing over the Workers to back up demands with

Look Who's Talking



Why Stevenson Doesn't Give McCarran the Axe

By Myra T. Weiss

lenson is a fearless crusader Sept. 15 what his attitude is to his witch-hunting is also seen to SWP Vice-Presidential Candidate against thought-control who will McCarran, Stevenson lamely be a cover for lining his pockets How righteous Democratic can-didate Stevenson sounds when he denounces McCarthyism, how in- Stevenson is no less hypocritical place, I must confess to you that 76 men whom the N. Y. Times dignant he acts about Eisen- on this issue than Eisenhower, I have never met Senator Mc- a pro-Eisenhower paper — calls

And this is the man the libera

smear the Democrats too. If Mc- 20.

Carthy was a Democrat, Stev-

ism" is just sucker-bait for the

President than right on civil

Ceylon Trotskyists

Leave for Peiping

Edmund Samarkkody and

Hector Fernando of the Lanka

Samasamaja, Ceylon section of

the Fourth International, left

Ceylon on Sept. 14 to attend

the Asian Peace Conference in

Peiping, according to the

Samasamajist, Ceylonese Eng-

The declared purpose of the

conference, to "seek ways and

means of ensuring peace in

Asia," is endorsed by the

lish-language weekly.

that.

Republican Candidate Uses Anti-Red Racket **To Feather Own Nest**

By Farrell Dobbs The second s SWP Presidential Candidate

Senator Richard M. Nixon, Republican vice-presidential candidate, has been exposed as the recipient of an \$18,000 fund raised privately by a group of wealthy Southern California business men. Nixon's main stock-in-trade has been anti-communism and he has been campaigning for the \$30,000-a-year vice-presidency on

the program of "clean the communists and crooks out of Washington."

The disclosure of Nixon's "supplementary expenditures" fund goes to show, as I have repeatedly pointed out, that the Republicans are just as corrupt as the Democrats. If the GOP wins, it can be counted on to emulate the notorious practices of the party now in power.

> SCRATCH A RED-BAITER This exposure of Nixon shows comething more, too: Scratch a witch-hunter and red-baiter and you'll usually find a scoundrel out to feather his own nest.

Nixon's rabid anti-communism has been a cover, in part for his unfailing support of every bill in Congress to aid the real estate sharks, oil promoters, bankers, and similar special interests. Now,



For President

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FARRELL DOBBS







Socialism

Campaigning

By George Clarke SWP Campaign Manager

I listened to Nixon's tear- Trucks Law Fund, raising the na-

the other nght of why he took \$15,947, or 86%. the boodle from the Big Money boys in California. Discounting the corn, I for one can't get total of ten branches that have

worked up over the deal. More fulfilled their pledges in full and are: than a hundred years ago Karl ahead of schedule. S. Conti ex-Marx said "the state is the ex- presses the sentiment of the ecutive committee of the ruling Boston comrades: "I am very class." Or to put it in the more happy that we have been able colloquial expressions of one of to fulfill our quota in advance." our robber barons: It's cheaper F. Frank, who sent in Seattle's to buy the legislators than the final payment, explains: "Over \$50

voters. Nixon was only getting was contributed by friends of our paid for services rendered. The party; we would have had a hard other Republocrats (and there time fulfilling our pledge with- BLOW TO WAGE FREEZE

aren't many of them) who don't out these friends." Newark's \$312 pushed them get in on the pie are cheating within 3% of the goal line. Anthemselves out of wages.

Nixon challenged the other candidates to make an accounting of top. V. R. Dunne sent in \$100 on the

Two we accept. One speech like Winneapolis-St. Paul pledge with early 1951. that would tell what a world of this comment: "At last night's difference there is between a working-class party and the rest. completing our pledge before the We don't expect to get the chance - but we could use anything the every assurance from the compeople on the other side of the RR tracks can give to a party that will one day straighten out the real "mess" in the country: the billionaire monopolies and their running dogs, like Nixon, in Washington.

You can't contain a world revolution. That's what Farrell Dobbs said in his speech at Newark as quoted in the Newark Evening News. The world sweep against capitalism, he said sooner or later is bound to reach our shores. . . In Chicago, Myra Tanner Weiss told the Chicago Daily News that 1952 will probably be the last presidential election without a 110%. labor party. Myra was scheduled to speak to the Negro Baptist convention. At the last minute when Myra was already on the pledges. platform they reneged. Same thing happened with a radio in

terview there. Brave fighters for "democracy," these.

All reports speak of successful campaign meetings in Newark, Chicago and Detroit. In the Motor City Myra spoke to three meetings of sections of Ford Local 600 UAW.

You can read the daily press and the big workers and monthly (Continued on page 2)

nost militant in U.S. labor, did By Reba Aubrey not strike and won 32 cents an Fund Campaign Manager hour, while the Steelworkers union, with a past record of com-Branches of the Socialist Workpromise, was forced to strike for ers Party sent in \$702 this week

Passes 86% with

One Week to Go

55 days to win 26 cents an hour. on their pledges of \$18,600 to the The United Mine Workers vic-Presidential Election — Antitory settlement applies to about a jerking explanation over the radio tional total through Sept. 22 to quarter of a million workers, or

nost of the soft-coal miners of Boston, Pittsburgh and Seattle the nation. Another 100,000 in the joined the 100%ers, making a Southern coal fields are now demanding the same terms, which

> 1. A pay rise of \$1.90 a day, condone, encourage and support rom the present \$16.35 basic rate to \$18.25 for eight hours.

2. A ten-cent-a-ton rise in the corporation payments to the miners' welfare fund, from the present 30 cents a ton to 40 cents.

the largest single raise negotiated other \$32 will put them over the by the United Mine Workers. It

wage freeze since its inception in

The Wage Stabilization Board, branch meeting the question of newly reorganized and warned of its anti-labor duties by Congress final date was discussed. We have after the steel battle, is due to review the mine contract. The new rades that we will be able to contract. probably exceeds WSB discharge our obligation in this limits, but the consensus of regard. You may look for comopinion is that the board will back pletion of our quota payment beaway from the matter.

fore the end of the month." San Francisco's \$8 moved their score up a notch to 83%;

SWP Wins Place Youngstown's \$40 increased their total to \$240 or 60%. **On New York Ballot** P. Seymour sent in \$78 on Oakland's \$300 pledge, saying: NEW YORK, Sept. 24 - Of-"At least we're out of the cellar. ficial notification was received but it looks like a last-minute today from State election struggle for us to make it " officials that the Socialist The group of Socialist Work ers Party friends in the South Worker Party slate in New not only fulfilled their \$150 York will be fifth in position pledge but went over by \$15 to on the ballot. Candidates are

Farrell Dobbs for President, The campaign closes on Sept 30 - only 8 days from now! So Myra Tanner Weiss for Vicelet's get in the balance of those President, and Michael Bartell for U.S. Senator.

(See scoreboard on page 4)

SWP on the Air

Three programs for George Breitman, SWP candidate for Senator in New Jersey Thur., Oct. 2; Mon., Oct. 6;

The SWP place on the ballot is the first line open for candidates named by independent

nominating petitions. Seven WNEW (1130 on dial) parties will be on the New York ballot: Republican, Democratic, Liberal, American Labor, Socialist Worker, In-

dustrial Government and So-Wed., Oct. 8, all 9 PM cialist.

hower's refusal to repudiate Mc-Carthy, how liberal he himself his so-called principles where and I just don't know." they get in the way of votes. appears by contrast! And how phony his righteousness, indignation and liberalism really are! Nothing is cheaper than a Dixiecrat politician denouncing assassin, it is Senator McCarran

the lack of democracy in the and the author of the law setting him if he was acquainted with Soviet Union while defending or remaining silent about the lack up concentration camps in this McCarrans views. "I am acquaintcountry. But Stevenson is just as | ed with his views to some extent of democracy in his own state. Stevenson is no better.

unwilling to repudiate McCarran e," Stevenson replied. as Eisenhower is to repudiate He goes after the Republicans McCarthy. The reason is simple: nammer and tongs because they McCarran is a Democrat, one of and labor leaders tell us should be elected for his "intellectual the most powerful in the Senate, the smear methods of the Wis-

and he is supporting Stevenson's honesty" and "moral integrity"! consin witch hunter. Listening to The truth is that Stevenson is him on this subject, many liberals | campaign. not a principled opponent of Mc-

have become convinced that Stev-Asked at a press conference on

BRITISH HAIL CHAPLIN This package, estimated at 32 Cents an hour per employee, is IN REPLY TO U.S. BAN

is also the biggest blow at the bar Charlie Chaplin from America, cheering London crowds staged a gala welcome that brought tears to the eyes of the

arrival there. The cheering thou-

A heartening demonstration for the U.S. government. His films the forlorn little tramp of the have often contained social satire screen, it was also an impressive that has infuriated reactionary demonstration of how different elements. Thus some of his early the political climate is in Britain films poked fun at militarism and with its powerful Labor Party depicted the plight of immigrants. and America where the witch "Modern Times" showed the hunters rule unrestrained. effect of the speedup in the auto England's great political carindustry on assembly line worktoonist, David Low, celebrated ers. "The Great Dictator" not Chaplin's arrival with a drawing only ridiculed the leader cult of entitled "The American Way of fascism but ended with a ringing Life." It showed Charlie in his plea for world without war and

famous costume being chased by without religious or racial opa mob of U.S. authorities in a pression. His last film shown in decrepit old auto labelled "Key- this country, "Monsieur Verdoux," stone Immigration Cops." angered the Roman Catholic Chaplin got the news of At- hierarchy, whose campaign torney General McGranery's plan against it forced its withdrawal to banish him from the U.S. from showing in the U.S.

while he was in mid-Atlantic. In addition to the social satire Shortly before sailing Immigra- in most of his films, Chaplin was tion authorities had issued him among those artists who hailed a re-entry permit "good" for one the Russian Revolution in its year. A spokesman for Mc- early days under Lenin and Trot-Granery, the administration's sky. Since then he has from time "cover up man" in the Justice to time been suspected of vague Department, told reporters that sympathy with liberal movements the accusation against Chaplin and has expressed anti-war sentiwould be advocating overthrow ments Thus in 1947 he told the of the government and added "in House Un - American Activities my opinion we have a pretty witch hunters: "I am not a Communist. I am a peace-monger." good case."

and just as ready to subordinate Carran of Nevada face to face 'an abbreviated 'who's who' of the typical professional wealthy and influential Southern hunters in Washington.

didates since 1940.)

vote for one of the old parties.

Negro to his cabinet.

promises.

never fulfilled.

WORTHLESS PROMISES

There was J. Parnell Thomas, Has he ever met McCarthy face California business figures." If there is one man in the to face? Do you have to meet a Nixon, co-author of the Mundt- the Republican chairman of the Senate who rivals McCarthy as a witch hunter face to face before Nixon police state bill that was House Un-American Activities witch hunter and character- you denounce him? The reporter incorporated into the McCarran Committee, who wrapped himself concentration-camp law of 1950, in an American flag but went knew that Stevenson was trying of Nevada, the friend of Franco to evade the issue, so he asked thus follows out the pattern of (Continued on page 2)

POLL OF NEGROES HITS - perhaps not as well as I should **STAND OF TWO PARTIES**

By William E. Bohannan SWP Candidate for Congress, 11th District, N. J.

Marthvism. He agrees with Mc-Most Negroes are dissatisfied with the civil rights Carthy on his main objective, and planks of the Democratic and Republican parties, accorddisagrees with him on his method chiefly because McCarthy uses his ing to public opinion polls taken by the Pittsburgh Courier anti-communist campaign to and published on Sept. 13 and P-

Negroes are going to vote against

Asked if they were satisfied the old parties merely because enson would not attack him. His with the Democratic civil rights they are discontented with their attitude to McCarran is proof of plank, 55% answered "No." Asked platforms. I am afraid that's not the same question about the in the cards this year. From what Stevenson's "anti - McCarthy- Republican plank, 87% answered I hear and read, I gather that "No." (The Courier has supported most Negro voters are going to

liberals. Like all the other capital- all Republican presidential can- string along with the advice of their conservative leaders and vote for the capitalist politicians If this poll accurately rewho have betraved them conpresents the thinking of the ma-

sistently in the past. jority of the Negro people - and I am inclined to believe it does -NO REAL CONFIDENCE

then it explains why there is so But the significant thing is little enthusiasm over the 1952 that many or most of them are campaign among Negroes, even going to do so this year without among those who are going to real confidence in the people they vote for. If they vote Democrat, It also explains why Stevenson it won't be because they think the and Eisenhower in their recent Democratic Party is their party, speeches are making gestures to truly representing their interests, the Negro voters - Stevenson, but because they don't see any by switching to give half-hearted other alternative to the Repubapproval to anti-filibuster action, licans.

which he originally opposed, and I consider this a very important Eisenhower, by making a vague political fact. The Democrats may reference to the possibility that get a majority of the Negro he might appoint a "qualified" vote, but they do not have, and they will not get, the trust or confidence of a majority of the

Negro people. Even if they vote The capitalist politicians evi-Democratic, most Negroes will dently know that the Negro peostill be thinking about and lookple were dissatisfied with the ing around for another party that conventions and the bids that will adequately represent and both major parties made to the promote their interests. Dixiecrats, and they are trying

In other words, proposals for to lessen that dissatisfaction by the building of an independent demagogic promises and halflabor party, and socialist ideas generally, can find a good recep-Of course these promises aren't tion among the Negro people in worth any more than the promises this election campaign — and in the Democratic and Republican afterwards too. In the long run

platforms, which have been made that fact is going to count more so many times in the past and heavily than the victory that the capitalist politicians will win in

I don't mean to imply that most i Novembers



People's China, a Peiping publication, confirmed on Aug. 16 that Dr. N. M. Perera and Leslie Goonewardene, leading Ceylon Trotskyists, were members of the Ceylon sponsoring Committee for the Asian conference which opens Sept. 22.

In answer to the Immigration Department's efforts to

world famous comedian upon his

thoughts."

Chaplin, one of the few geniuses ist politicians, he is a cynical opsands shouted encouragement to that the film industry has pro- portunist who would rather be the man whom the U.S. Attorney duced, has long been a target of General intends to hold at Ellis bigots and witch hunters. Born liberties. Island for alleged "dangerous in England, he has never applied for U.S. citizenship, though, of

course, he pays huge taxes to

Page Two

THE MILITANT

The danger that other states

contained no guarantees of poli-

Opposition to the proposed

The capitalists and Southern

aristocrats had to appease the

popular storm. They agreed to

have the first Congress accept

amendments insisted upon by the

ratifying conventions of New

Hampshire, New York and

Virginia. Even so, North Carolina

Detention-Camp Preview of Barbed-Wire America

Showing a third cluster of Concentration camps for polithe tical dissenters - particularly structures on the map. opponents of war - are being Colonel added:

established in this country, Far-"If we need the room we can rell Dobbs said in this paper on take this and work in another Aug. 4. Citing the McCarran- thousand or so."

Kilgore Internal Security Act of The Colonel let spill the fact 1950 and the Attorney General's that whole families - fathers, implementing orders last Jan- mothers and young children uary, the presidential candidate might be thrust into confinement of the Socialist Workers Party behind the barbed-wire barriers told how prisoner-of-war camps of this prison camp.

from World War II were being WORLD WAR II PRECEDENT put in shape to "detain" Amer-"So far the uniforms we've icans indefinitely without trial by received and the material we jury.

have is for males but I guess Now we have an actual eyethere'll be women too. Probably witness report on one of the whole families. I know that's "detention" camps being readied, under the provisions of the Mc- what they did with the Japanese." This refers to the 100,000 Carran concentration - camp law, Japanese Americans who were for those whom the Attorney General finds "there is reasonable torn from their homes without ground to believe that such per- warning right after Pearl Harbor sons will probably engage in acts and herded into "relocation centers" - fancy term for conof espionage or sabotage."

Charles R. Allen, Jr., recently centration camps - in isolated wrote two extensive articles for areas. Many of those seized were the N. Y. Daily Compass describ- native-born Americans. They were ing his visit to the Federal Prison held as prisoners without trial or hearings for four years. Camp near Allenwood, Pa., a

"As I understand it these peosmall town 80 miles north of Harrisburg. During the last war ple would overthrow the governthis was the Susquehanna Ord- ment by force and violence if we nance Depot where TNT was didn't put them away," the made, packed, tested and stored warden and retired Colonel explained. But kids, old men and for the Army.

women? asked Allen. There was The site lay in disuse from 1947 until last February when a momentary silence and the Guy C. Rexroad, Colonel, United warden then said abruptly, "Come States Army (Retired), arrived on, let's go through the adwith 60 prisoners from the Fed- ministration building." After examining the administra-

eral Penitentiary in Ashland, Ky., to rehabilitate the ordnance depot tion building, which was to be for a "detention" camp. It is an the camp's "control point," Allen 8,400-acre area completely sur- was invited by Rexroad to "get rounded by 12-foot-high rein- into the car and see where we're going to stick 'em." forced barbed-wire fences.

They drove off to a "vast Col. Rexroad personally showed Allen around the camp and stretch of huge earthen mounds - the 'igloos' which had held the described the work going on there and its purpose. He acknowledged, completed TNT." There the in reply to Allen's question, that warden showed the building that this was to be a "detention" camp "we'll use for the main barracks." under the Internal Security Act. It was an abandoned machine "That is the basic nature of our shop with concrete block walls, cement floor and flat roof. mission here."

CAN SQUEEZE IN 3,000 ASKED NOT TO TELL ALL

"This building is in fine shape "But you're the first newspaper man we've had here," Rexroad the Colonel said. "The only thing confided to Allen. "And if you we're doing now is maintaining love your country, you won't tell the roof. We'll get to the bareverything that you see here. . ." | racks after everything else is At any rate, Allen loves his coun- taken care of. But we can easily try enough to disclose what he squeeze as many as 3,000 in here, learned about attempts to con- I think - maybe more. We can vert it into a replica of Naziland. even make two floors out of the Before taking Allen on a tour place and sleep them in tiers of the camp site, Rexroad showed you know those wooden, shelf-like beds. Five levels to a section." him the layout on a map. Pointing to one structure on the map, He said the barracks would be

ready in a year. "And if there's the Colonel said: "This building was — and still a war by then or Congress orders is - a warehouse. After we fix it them to be put into prison, well, up we ought to be able to get we'd just have to stick them here right away and have them build with a sparing hand. 1,500 or maybe more into it."

their own people, I suspect." position

For Political Dissenters



Barren interior of barracks building above is typical of installations at Tulelake, Calif., Federal Prison Camp 38, one of six such places of detention being prepared on orders of Truman's Justice Dept. to hold political prisoners in concentration camps without trial under the McCarran Act.

oblong building on which some a warehouse, but it "poses of the prison laborers were work-ing. "There are no windows in it and

"I'll be able to get at least they've got to have some ventila-1,500 in here," the warden said. tion. But he didn't want to stop. It was

By Harry Frankel ments crisis in Europe still con- relieving the disproportion be-

worse. This is the crisis that has the floundering European ecodumped successive French minis- nomies. tries and has recently given signs of threatening the ministry especially acute in late 1951 can Wall Street's money is being of "businessman" Pinay. It is the be seen from the following fact: spent. In his recent report on the crisis that caused British Tory In early 1950, U.S. economic aid state of Europe, Draper shows Prime Minister Winston Churchill to western Europe amounted to to say, last June, that economically, Britain stands on "a ports to that area. In other whole international machine into

treacherous trapdoor." The balance of payments troubles of leading European capitalist nations are really troubles of paupers on relief.

During 1950, it seemed for a

form during 1951 and the first

He pointed to another spot: their own shelter. They'll have "This was the machine shop at builders and carpenters among while as though the European seem to be England and France, lion a month. The EPU did not may builder and the england and France, lion a month. The EPU did not may be the wary seem to be england and France, lion a month. The EPU did not may be the wary seem to be england and France, lion a month. The england and France, lion a month england and France, lion a month england and england and France, lion a month england and england a

the wire services used 'concen- union labor." tration camp' but not us. . . Never

ever get around to saying any- tion camps of Barbed-Wire Amer-Then there would be sunshine thing however it would be favor- ica will be ready for them to fill

Europe on Starvation Rations

DRAPER REPORT

William H. Draper Jr., banker

turned diplomat, who roams

have

this problem became

According to the latest report dollars that have been poured of the UN Economic Commission into "operation rat hole" for Europe, the balance of pay- really been devoted only to

tinues, and is even growing tween the thriving American and Why about 84% of non-military ex-

words, the U.S. capitalist class a crisis. sent \$84 in aid to Europe for every \$100 of goods it sold there. European Payments Union had But, by the latter part of 1951,

nothing more than the typical with the sharp decrease in eco- balances of about a score of nomic aid as it was replaced by European countries successfully Capitalist Europe, bankrupt and pure and direct military aid, for around two years when it facing collapse, is propped up by dollar help to west Europe was ran into the Belgian problem in 5. And finally, the whole area. Hence the crisis.

O and fresh air for the inmates? | able (to the camp) I can tell you Allen asked. that. . .'

Another Williamsport editor "Oh, it won't be any picnic. said they had printed nothing Probably won't be any better editorially on the camp. "After if as good — as the Japanese all nobody's in there yet. We camps," Rexroad replied. wouldn't want to stir things up All told, the camp would be

unnecessarily. . . What do I think ready to hold from 4,000 to 7,000 personally? Well, we got to do prisoners, the Colonel agreed. something in the event of a war, 'Although you now know about don't we?" Allen remarked that as much as I do about the place in World War II there was no - I don't know when they'll be such move to imprison pro-Nazis. coming or how they'll be treated. "Well, this time it's different," I'm just here to put the place in the editor claimed. order," he said almost apolo-Outside of the newspaper getically. editors hardly anyone even knew

Before Allen left the camp, the of the existence of the camp. Colonel took him aside: "Now look here. Dont go blow this thing up. "ONLY THE GODLESS" I think the less the people know, the less worrying they'll do. After all — it's part of our national defense.

REACTION IN COMMUNITIES Allen interviewed some 150 was going on. But he wound up becople from all walks of life in by assuring me that 'only the the nearby communities to learn godless will go there, son'" their reaction to the fact of a The one outspoken comm concentration camp being set up came from an AFL official in o near.

Harrisburg. He was quite heated The city editor of the Sun, a about the fact that the governnewspaper in Williamsport, a ment is using prison labor to fix city of 45,000, knew of the camp up the camp. "Not union labor, and said they had carried a short mind you, but prison labor." Did piece last February when Col. he mean that the only disturbing sessions in Philadelphia for four Rexroad had first moved in to thing was that the camp didn't rehabilitate the camp. "We used have a union label? "Well, no, the term 'detention camp.' I know not exactly. But they could use

Whether Stevenson or Eisensaid anything editorially. . . If we hower gets elected, the concentra-

Union. The European finance ministers, after two

ion": A good example of that was 1. The EPU agreed to give given by U.S. special Ambassador

Belgium a little more of the cash coming to it.

2. Belgum increased her im-Europe to keep check on how ports, thus deliberately worsening her balance of trade, by placing some war orders in France and how the successes of a single Britain.

small European nation threw the 3. This threatened unemployment in Belgium, so the U.S placed some war orders of its own Here is what happened: The in Belgium under its offshore

In this same report, Ambas-

ments. What this means in plain

language is this: that instead of

demanding its dollars in pay-

ment from Europe, U.S. capital-

sts leave them over there in ex-

change for ownership of a piece

of European capitalism. They are

doing this already, but this is

no solution. It only makes things

worse in the long run, because

the more foreign investments the

U.S. has, the greater becomes the

amount of profit due to Wall

Street each year, and thus the

Other economists urge lower

U.S. exports: of course that is

when they are attending "foreign

greater the "dollar gap."

procurement program been settling the monthly trade 4. Belgium then extended ad ditional credit to the other EPH

BUY UP EUROPE

countries.

U.S. rations, which are doled out only 27% of U.S. exports to that the spring of 1952. Belgium had arrangement was propped up by worked up a favorable balance of a loan of \$50 million from the The chief seats of the crisis trade of about \$30 to \$40 mil- International Monetary Fund.

Who Made America? By George Lavan

How We Got the Bill of Rights

A steady theme of the politicians, editors and other propagandists of Big Business is that capitalism has given the American people its political liberties and its high standard of living. But the truth

that our relatively high laws, the forcing of creditors to standard of living and our steadily accept payment in the cheap diminishing political liberties money, debt moratoriums. Small were not generously granted to wonder that the capitalist press the American people by capital- of the period hysterically labelled ism but were forced out of the Rhode Island as subversive, revoruling class by the struggles of lutionary, Jacobin - in fact everything except "Bolshevik."

workers and farmers. "I went to see one of the town' Let us begin near the beginning. and that only because the terms (Lewisburg) leading clergymen,' The Constitution of this country hadn't then come into existence. Allen writes. "He expressed is considered by most people a horror at the very idea of a would follow the example of charter of liberties. The average detention camp and quickly con-Rhode Island's farmers or Shays' American, when he thinks of the cluded that nothing of the sort "desperate debtors" hastened the Constitution, thinks of such guarowning classes' plan for a strong antees as freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of central government that would

religious belief, right of petition, end the power of states to pass and the right of forming asso-laws in favor of the debtor The one outspoken comment classes. The Constitution accomciations. nlished this. At the same time it But when the Constitution was drawn up none of these rights tical liberties because such guarwere in it. This was not because antees would be of aid to the the men who met in secret economically oppressed classes. months to draft the Constitution DEMAND BILL OF RIGHTS were absent-minded. They were agreed that the inclusion of such

Constitution was tremendous guarantees were against the inamong the farmers. Chief among terests of the classes they the objection to the new plan of represented. government was that it contained The drafters of the Constitu- no Bill of Rights. In vain did

ion represented the wealthy Alexander Hamilton leading merchant and banking classes theoretician and spokesman for and the Southern aristocracy. the capitalists argue that a Bill America was torn with class of Rights was "unnecessary;" struggles and the drafting of the "dangerous" and "impractical." Constitution was a very important step in the campaign of the ruling classes to retain their power over the lower classes - particularly over the debt-ridden farmers, who comprised the biggest single

SHAYS' REBELLION

refused to ratify till it saw the These farmers were in great amendments in black and white. erment throughout the country. And the Rhode Island "reds" only

In Massachusetts their resistance ratified several years later. to foreclosures, evictions and im-The amendments thus wrested prisonment for debt flared into from the ruling classes were ten civil war with Shays' Rebellion. in number and form the famous Even after Shays' military defeat Bill of Rights. the movement retained great poli-

It is interesting to note that tical power. In Rhode Island the this charter of political liberty farmers had won control of the opposed so bitterly in 1788 by the state government and passed laws young capitalist class - is the favorable to the debtor classes at very section of the Constitution he expense of the wealthy. which is being whittled away by These included paper money the capitalist class of today.

THE MILITANT ARMY

Literature Agent Louise Max- | to come to our Myra Weiss meet-

months, came up with this "solusection of the population.



time and will be very acom-They rode along until they modating. . . We can squeeze at passed another, but smaller, least 3,000 down there."

CAMPAIGNING FOR SOCIALISM

(Continued from Page 1) "Few of the American voters periodicals for all the months of who will go to the polls next part of 1952, it has become clear the election campaign, and you'll November to pick a President that Europe's payments crisis has realize what a diverse choice of not only not been 'solved, but do well to find a stray item about candidates they will actually have. that furthermore it is insoluble. the SWP and its campaign. That Yet there will be, as always, doesn't mean that they boycott scores of candidates each repreus completely. After all, you senting a different pointed party. west haropean experiment of their west haropean experiment of their as a bloc, cannot pay for their orthodox, revolutionary, or down-surplus of imports over exports by the US for trust." So if you just happen right lunatic for most voters. to pick up the right issue of your favorite paper or magazine, you'll be limited to Democrat or Refind that once during the cam- publican. Among the 1952 crop of paign they do give the SWP a maverick candidates now cam-'break." They call it a "round-up paigning are a reformed drunkof minority parties." Such roundard, a grocer who favors inflation, ups have already appeared to our at least four varieties of Marxknowledge in Cosmopolitan, Time ist, a lawyer who was in jail when and Fortune. Later on in the nominated, a West Point gradcampaign the AP and UP will uate, a publicity agent and a do a similar "service" for their former civil servant who lives in clients. a truck."

These are usually slanted Funny: Yes: spelled P-H-O-N-Y. stories full of misinformation ONE WAY TO GET THROUGH which aim by bracketing serious One of our campaigners in parties with crackpot groups to ridicule and discredit anyone who Newark was distributing our elecdares challenge the two-party tion platform near an Amalmonopoly on American politics. gamated Clothing Workers meet-A typical example is Cosmopolitan ing. A worker, receiving a copy, which opens its story caption- asked her to come up and dised, "PRESIDENTIAL CANDI- tribute them inside the meeting. DATES THAT WONT GET One thing led to another. Before ELECTED with almost a full- long she was asked to speak to page photo of the N. J. pig the audience of some 150 who theless big enough to seriously farmer Krajewski of the "poor were well impressed, judging man's" party posing with a svelte from the applause, with her talk madamoiselle. The first two about the labor party and other paragraphs give the pitch: aspects of the SWP program.



...... State City S1 Six months S2 Full year New Renewal

was improving. The dollar shortage was temporarily all of capitalist Europe. This fact Belgium, receiving a small partial eased, and the facile optimists is masked by the operation of payment from the EPU, was sador Draper proposes as a means of the U.S. State Department the European Payments Union, running into a cash shortage. of solving the crisis, that the of the U.S. State Department began to speak of the "solution" which loads the brunt of the of Europe's international payment troubles onto the backs of Eng- THREATENING SUCCESS

problems. With the revival of the dollar shortage in extremely acute acute the property of the raise the crisis to the level of a words) of the European Pay-

NIXON SCANDAL SHOWS GOP What is the payments crisis? doesn't mean that they boycott us completely. After all, you know, the press is "fair" and "senting a different political party." Simply stated, it is this: that the west European capitalist nations, AS CORRUPT AS DEMOCRATS

> (Continued from page 1) extent that the rest of the world chairman of the wartime House

owed the U.S. capitalist class over Military Affairs Committee, \$4 billion. Furthermore, the U.S., whose loud - mouthed anti - comas the world's most powerful im- munism could not keep him out perialism, was entitled to a of jail when he was caught takrakeoff on its foreign invest- ing of "fee" help a war contractor nents; this rakeoff being so great get government orders.

that the U.S. capitalists only had Nixon and his defenders claim to pay for about 3/4 of their he didn't do anything worse than imports, the rest being paid for what most other public officials by income on foreign investin Washington - Democrat and ments. Thus, the total of the two Republican — are doing. I items, export surplus and foreign agree. They all ought to be in investment income, came to al. jail with him. most \$7 billion in one year.

speech - the \$75,000 worth of TRIBUTE TO WALL STREET TV "corn" about his poor wife. This was the tribute which the and kiddies and the hard time rest of the world had to render to the Wall Street Caesar. Not a very large sum in the total than \$10,000" to his name. American economy, it is never-

"CHRISTMAS CARDS"

disorganize the economies of several European capitalist coun-One of the chief reasons why this fatal disproportion in world

economic aid of various kinds, 1951." such as Marshall Plan, loans and credits, etc., has also been about \$30 to \$35 billion. This equation of dollar figures is no accidental

tries.

coincidence. The U.S. government trade surplus in full for the whole postwar period.

"OPERATION RAT HOLE" doing much more than maintain ment. have the money to pay Belgium. U.S. increase its foreign invest-

Nixon also acquired a \$41,000

- JUST "USUAL"

trade conferences." When they Nixon claims that he never did leave the foreign trade conference any "special favors" for those and walk into a "domestic wellwho paid into his fund. I suppose being conference," they turn their hats around and shout for in he was doing just the "usual creased U.S. exports. The Depart-

favors" for his wealthy "angels" when he voted against all amend- ment of Economics of the Mcments to close loop-holes in the Graw Hill Co. has pointed out: excess profits tax laws and to "For many American producers, increase the taxes of the rich. the export market, which this while opposing rent control and year will take about \$14 billion government-built housing. of civilian goods, spells the dif-

Dana C. Smith, corporation ference between operating at attorney and investment banker capacity and closing down 25% who administers Nixon's \$18,000 of their facilities." Thus the fund, when confronted on Sept. proposed U.S. export cut is no solution. 18 by reporters who had learned

Nor is the proposition for of the fund's existence, explained that its purpose "is to enable Dick Europe to sell more to the U.S. (Nixor) to do a selling job to the any better. In the first place, American people in behalf of free European capitalist nations could enterprise (capitalism)" and that never increase their sales in U.S. "Dick did just what we wanted markets enough to make any difclaimed, it all went for political him to do." Smith ought to know ference without cutting into U.S. - he runs the fund. production, sales and employment

one 'Welfare State or Socialism' seriously. In the second place, and four copies of 'The Road to U.S. capitalists moving to limit Peace.' It was interesting to note American imports, are seriously that he is not rich like Republican troubling the European capitalthat we met with no open the U.S. has exported to the rest ings and luncheons." I am par- Senator Taft or Democratic Sen- ists with the prospect that hostility from the Stalinist salesof the world about \$30 to \$35 ticularly intrigued by the item ator Kerr who dont need "outside Europe probably won't be able to should approximate in complicate which of the world about \$30 to \$50 ticularly intrigued by the item and it is true that most other billion more than it has imported. of \$4,237 for "Christmas cards: aid." And it's true that most other keep its present level of exports might bring on police interto the U.S., let alone increase ference.

campaign."

factor in this work."

Akron Literature Agent Kay The truth is, there is no solu- Kean reports that "Lou sold 15 I don't think this any excuse tion to the international paycopies of the Sept. 15 Militant ments problem, because it is a story about the young Cleveland door to door using the Jean Simon problem of a collapsing European attorney as his entrance. He sold he claims he took the \$18,000 to that the "good, honest" business- thriving U.S. capitalism. A he has recently become acquaintin the situation, only in this case Militant, discussed the Socialist the thug is forced to support his Workers Party program with him for several hours, and promised victim after every blow.

ing. well asks us to increase Los An-

geles' Militant bundle. "Now that Detroit is continuing their subwe have finished the scription campaign, reports petition campaign, Literature Agent Janet Macwe are embarking on Gregor. This week she sends in the phase of our five six-month subs to The Milielection campaign, tant, three one-year subs. and one

for which everything sub to Fourth International. Saint Paul Literature Agent else was a preparation. That is, the Winifred Nelson reports a good most important work sale of the Sept. 1 Militant by of getting our Jack and Bill K. They sold 18 message of peace copies door to door in about an and socialism to as hour. many people as

Minneapolis Literature Agent possible. Recognizing the paper Helen Sherman reports a good as the most effective means of spreading our ideas, especially in She writes, "We called particular sale of the Sept. 1 Militant also. this period when the government attention to Art Preis' vivid has organized a witch hunt to account of Napalm Atrocities in drive all opponents to their war Korea and George Breitman's plans from public life, we are article on the lesser evil theory. making literature work one of the The front page spoke for itself most important parts of our with the headlined articles by Dobbs and Weiss exposing the

Nick Bennett reports that San anti-labor. Jim Crow Democrats Francisco also plans to increase and Republicans. their Militant bundle and to con-

"In preparation for Myra's duct a sub drive to bring the meeting here on September 26, election issues of the paper to we plan to contact personally more readers. He writes, "Through 500 workers in Minneavolis with our national candidates and the the Sept. 15 issue of The Militant, the election platform, and a have on the ballot, we aim to leaflet announcing the program. acquaint as many as we can reach of public appearances of our with our party and its program. Vice-presidential candidate. Those Our literature work is a major who do not get to the meetings will be reading our press and "We started our fall Militant platform and will know that the sales off with a bang," writes Socialist Workers Party is in this Philadelphia Literature Agent election campaign with the only

Clara Raymond. "Three comrades honest and real political answers went to a Progressive Party to the problems of the workers meeting and despite competition today. The Militant does an outfrom the Stalinists selling the standing job of selling our ideas 'Pennsylvania Worker' sold 24 and presenting our candidates to Militants, five Moore pamphlets, the public."

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in their trade with the U.S. For to jail anyway for illegal diver- home near the Capitol, in addition Still the choice will by no means example, in 1951, U.S. exports sion of federal monies. There was to his house in California, since exceeded imports to such an Andrew Mays, the Democratic he became a Senator in 1950.

NOT "SPECIAL"

I listened unmoved to his alibi

they've had since he came out of the war with only a "little less

He didn't spend a cent of the \$18,000 fund for himself, he purposes. The audit he made

public shows such peculiar items economy did not show itself in as \$2,306 "principally in con-POOR BOY ON THE MAKE sharp form until mid-1951 was nection with trips in, to and from It is true, as Nixon complained, U.S. economic aid. Since 1947, California" and \$410 for "meet-

Since that same year, U.S. 16,500 for 1950 and 25,000 for Senators and Representatives also supplement their big government salaries and allowances them.

Senators get \$12,500 a year salary, plus a \$2,500 tax-free from private sources. 'expense" allowance. They also

vote themselves all kinds of extra for Nixon's little racket and I'm allowances. In the case of Nixon, not sorry to see a cheap political has financed the U.S. foreign these extras reach the legal shyster and red-baiter like him maximum of ... 60,000 a year. But exposed. But the chief lesson is capitalism trying to trade with a his final copy to a young couple

save the tax-payers' money. There is no record, however, that baseball farms. They buy and This also helps to explain why U.S. economic aid to Europe has been generally unsuccessful in Big League.

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The Artful Dodger

Stevenson told a Baltimore audience last week that he is for wage and price controls, and, "if it has to come, tighter wage controls as well as tighter price controls." You will notice that he did not, in spite of all his pretensions towards frankness, tell this to the AFL Convention in New York on Monday. He waited until he got to Baltimore on Wednesday.

On Monday, at the AFL, he confined himself to vague generalities against the Taft-Hartley law. He said there ought to be "changes" in the law, but in saying this, he did not say any more than Taft himself has said.

Not many months before his campaign started. Stevenson said he wanted to keep the Taft-Hartley law "with amendments." Later, after he had become a candidate, he lic's Washington correspondent, said the political symbolism of the law makes repeal neces- T. R. B., sees Stevenson not only sary. At the AFL, he made clear that to him "repeal or as a "reporter's dream ... polishrevision" is simply haggling over words. He also made it clear that he would want to retain the substance of the "elfin, fey qualities" of a "poli-Taft-Hartley law.

Stevenson's Baltimore speech contained the same kind of slippery wording as his AFL convention speech, but his real program emerges from a careful reading.

Stevenson is being supported by the leaders of the have caught the fever. Among CIO and AFL. Both labor federations oppose any wage them is I. F. Stone, author of freeze at the present time. Thus Stevenson's program cuts directly across that favored by labor. This made some careful wriggling necessary.

Stevenson's ancient wheeze about "controlling" prices as well as wages should fool no one at this late date. Every administration stabilizer, every government official since 1941 who has had anything to do with the wage freeze has spoken of it as a "wage-price" freeze, or sometimes even as a "wages-prices-profits" freeze, in order to imply an evenhanded impartiality towards all classes. In practice, prices have soared, profits have mounted and wages alone have been frozen.

In his Baltimore speech Stevenson saw in the steel case "a further impetus to inflation." Was he against what he now says is "inconsistent the steelworkers' wage raise? Would he oppose the recently won increase by the coalminers? Not a word on this. It is bound, however, to disturb

Despite Stevenson's pretense at being above the usual those who demand firm principles "artful dodges" of politics, we can see that he employs them in full measure. To save the most important part of a labor speech for a non-labor audience, then to put words in the mouths of "many people" when he really means "I"; that is the weasel method of which we have seen so much in the U.S. among the so-called "pro-labor" demagogues. Stevenson is no exception.

Trotsky's Murderer

like to blot out from the memory of mankind. It is the ed and slightly dusty. Obviously French Socialist Party and be- making these discoveries about forgers of the GPU replaced the three of their eight seats in mous state. Foreign affairs name of Leon Trotsky. But twelve years after his death, no one had looked at it in a long, came active in the 15th Arron- Trotsky's assassin in 1950. Why name and photograph of Babich Parliament. The ruling coalition remain under control of Ethiopian Trotsky's name keeps coming up in the press. If the publishers of True Magazine featured an article in their October issue establishing the identity of Trotsky's assassin, it is because they know that Trotsky's name is still international headline news.

Stevenson -- New Idol of Liberals

By Art Preis have the political woods echoed to such trillings and cooings from the liberals as the rapturous chorus that has burst forth in the past couple of weeks for

And he is correct. of FDR. Part of this response to Stev-"MOST IMPORTANT POINT" enson is subjective. The liberals

and intellectuals see in him an image of themselves - educated, cultured, clever. He appeals to their petty-bourgeois snobbery.

William E. Bohn, columnist of the Stalinophobic and socialdemocratic New Leader, last week

leaped from the Eisenhower to the Stevenson band-wagon, finding the Governor "the best candidate . . . since Wilson" and comparable to "Roosevelt and the scholars and philosophers whom our ancestors had the brains and taste to elect." The New Repubed, urbane, consistently entertaining" but also possessed of the tical Peter Pan,"

Even those who apparently had broken with the old parties, like the Progressive party group around the N. Y. Daily Compass, "The Hidden History of the Korean War.'

Precisely because he has not peen a hand-raiser for the two big parties like other liberals and has courageously opposed. Washngton's foreign policy and intervention in Korea, Stone's endorsement of Stevenson, announced in his Sept. 21 column in the Compass, warrants serious analysis.

Stone adopts something of a Barbara Fritchie air — a defiant 'shoot if you must this old grey head" attitude. He admits that with a good deal I have written, but that doesn't worry me either." in politics.

Stone "devotes considerable | confidence in Stevenson. . . I be- | 'liberation.' I see no possibility of a close race this year, Stone | Not since the days of Roosevelt space to the "lesser evil" theory. lieve I, hear in his speeches the successful negotiations for peace says "I am not going to run the book in with he proves conaccents of an extraordinarily able with the Republicans under such Here he argues like most labor leaders and liberals, who claim man capable of leading this coun- leadership. I do think negotia- Nixon by voting for Hallinan and intervention in Korea and the Stevenson will hurt labor and the try back along the path to peace tions may be possible with Stev-

Negro people less than Eisen- and freedom. . I believe the enson. That chance alone i hower. But domestic issues are overriding issue is peace and I enough for me. Adlai Stevenson. He is represent- overshadowed by the threat of believe that on foreign policy Thus, according to Stone, ed virtually as the second coming war, as far as Stone is concerned. Eisenhower is as much a puppet vote for Stevenson is a vote for as was Dewey in the hands of peace or at least for the possibility John Foster Dulles, who . . . of peace negotiations which migh

preaches war today against the prevent a world war. "I leave to the last the most social revolution in China and Now, what grounds are there mportant point of all. I have Eastern Europe in the name of for believing that Stevenson

differs in any fundamental way edgres: "Stevenson not only embraces on foreign policy with either Truman or Eisenhower or Dulles cy in its entirety, but insists, un-What reason is there - other than accepting Stone's own mystic 'confidence" - for believing that difference between Eisenhower Stevenson seriously intends to and himself on this subject." And undertake peace negotiations with he quotes Stevenson's Labor Day inherent war drive of U.S. capitalstatement that "I do not believe the Soviet Union and to oppose counter - revolution in the Far there is any fundamental issue between the Republican candidate East? And just how would

such negotiations ensure against war? A FEW PHRASES

The sole grounds for Stone's ing." confidence" in Stevenson are few phrases tossed into his San Francisco foreign policy speech on Sept. 10 - phrases intended as bait for people like Stone whose votes in a tight election intervention in Korea and urges race might mean the difference between victory and defeat. Stevenson said he would "never wars against the people of a candidate who has a chance to fear to negotiate in good faith Malaya and Indo-China. It is in with the Soviet Union" and that 'if we do not have war, we must have co-existence on some basis with a ruthless, inscrutable and perhaps equal power in the

world for a long time to come. Stevenson offers nothing more concrete than these phrases. This is enough for Stone. Truman at least had a specific proposal to make in 1948 when he said he was thinking of sending Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson to talk thinks over with "good old Joe" n Moscow. This bit of demagogy cost Wallace and the Progressive Party many votes. And that's what Stevenson is thinking about today. The votes that went in 1948 to Wallace in New York, Illinois and California might be enough to decide the outcome of

Stone himself has written a risk of electing Eisenhower and clusively the criminalty of U.S. responsibility of both the Demo-Bass." cratic administration and the

NO BASIC DISTINCTION

Republicans for prolonging the If their stands on foreign truce negotiations. Yet Stone policy is decisive, then there is backs Stevenson who promises no basic distinction between Stev- only to continue that criminal enson and Eisenhower. Morris H. war and calls the stalling of the Rubin, editor of The Progressive truce a blessing, permitting time magazine, who has come out in to build up greater forces for support of Stevenson, acknowl- the third world war.

Stevenson represents the interests of the ruling capitalist the Administration's foreign poli- circles whose profit system drives straight toward war regardless wisely, I think, that there is no of what Stalin does or doesn't do and no matter what "negotiations" might be held. It is this ism that will set the course for Stevenson. And it will dictate the reactionary trend of his domestic for President and myself. As far policies.

program of "Big Power nego-

tiations" as the means to secure

peace. If that is a sound program,

Stone derisively calls Eisen-

as I know, he, like myself, ap-In supporting Stevenson, howproves the basic direction our ever, Stone is not being unfaithful foreign policy has been followto the program of the Progressive

Party. He is carrying it out to The "basic direction" is not indicated in the hopeful, consoling its logical conclusion. The Progressive Party is founded on the phrases Stone emphasizes. It is in the part where Stevenson declares himself "proud" of U.S. then why should anyone support more U.S. support for the British the Progressive Party now that and French counter-revolutionary win says he will not "close the door" on negotiations? his previous speech on Aug. 31, hailing Truman for his stand in

Korea. hower an "optical illusion." But By stalling a truce, Stevenson what is this "peace-negotiating" said, "we have gained a year's Stevenson that Stone sees if not

time" to "enormously expand our a political mirage in the desert of defense production" and build up the witch hunt and the prepara-"the strength of our Allies." tions for World War III?

World Events

By Charles Hanley GERMAN INDUSTRIALISTS, The Mexican unionists also want

encouraged by the State Depart- a law providing for workers ment, are inquiring about arms sharing in corporation profits. contracts, the Wall Street Journal And they demand that company reports. Next year the steel plants books be opened for union inin the Ruhr may be busy making spection. guns for American and German

A MONTEVIDEO correspondent

forces. TWO TOP FRENCH Stalinists reports that strikes have become vere removed from the Commu- frequent in Uruguay. The cost nist Party Secretariat Sept. 17 of living has gone up; even meat because of their "leftist" posi- has become scarce and expensive, tion: Andre Marty, hero of the and life has ceased to be "free 1919 mutiny in the Black Sea, and and easy" as inflation continues Charles Tillon, organizer of par- to 'undermine the buying power tisans in World War II. Up to of the peso.

now the two "deviationists" from Thorez' line have not recanted.

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of the Christian Science Monitor

BRITISH TROOPS left Eritrea, East Africa, Sept. 16. This former SWEDISH STALINISTS lost Italian colony is now an autono-

Farrell Dobbs

Tour Schedule

New York Public Meeting:

Fri., Sept. 26, 8 P.M.

at Cornish Arms Hotel

23rd St. near 8th Ave.

Radio Speech:

Tues., Sept. 30, 2 P.M.

WNYC (830 on dial)

Sat., Oct, 5, 8 P.M.

at Militant Labor Hall

1702 E. 4th St.

New York

Los Angeles

Seattle

Chicago

Los Angeles

St. Louis

Milwaukee

Shown presiding over 71st annual AFL convention in New York's Hotel Commodore is 79-year-old president William Green. AFL, after decades of traditional Gompers policy of "hands off" politics, finally made the plunge this year and endorsed a presidential candidate (Democrat Stevenson). Green and the AFL are still far behind the times, however, since the pressing need of the labor movement is not endorsement of a capitalist candidate, but formation of labor's own party.



GORKIN'S REPORT

Frotsky."

the story about Caridad Mercader

and her son Ramon was reported

It appeared first as an ap-

The main difference between

the claim of Julian Gorkin and

True magazine about the identity

of Jacson is in the substantiat-

ing evidence. Gorkin, prominent

leader of the POUM, a Spanish

in The Militant, June 20, 1949.

Quiroz happened to look at his cader's family. Born in 1914, he been living in Paris under an Civil War on the Loyalist side watch again. One minute and 40 was the eldest of five children. assumed name. Also living there Babich was reported killed. His seconds, he recalls. The print man His father died in 1926. His with her is her son Jorge, an passport disappeared. GPU operhanded him a card. 'These match,' mother had already become a invalid, and her ever devoted ators who later broke with the he said simply. Quiroz, his heart Communist. By 1925 "she was daughter Montserrat. Luis, an- Kremlin report that Stalin's There is one name that both the Kremlin and all the beating wildly looked at the card. made a courier for secret trips to other son, is still in Moscow and secret police seized thousands of imperialists, each side for its own particular reasons, would he was that the and was white the and wa he was that the card was yellow- Twenties she was sent into the Dr. Quiroz claims credit for Civil War. The highly skilled

Still Behind the Times

Together with Lenin. Trotsky is the founder of the first victorious workers state in history, established in Russia in 1917. He organized and led to victory the first proletarian army, the Red Army, against odds no other army ever faced. After Lenin's death, Trotsky continued fighting for the socialist future of mankind.

He exposed and fought the policies and the rule of the privileged, nationalist-minded bureaucracy that usurped power in the Soviet Union, with Stalin at its head.

As catastrophe after catastrophe struck the working masses of Europe and the whole world, Trotsky's voice, Trotsky's ideas attracted the attention of more and more of the Ministry of Interior. . millions. He was the first to warn and fight against Stalinism. He was the first to warn against the threat of Hitler and to point out how the fatal policies of Stalinism and the German Social Democrats were paving Hitler's way to power. He was the first to predict that Stalin would make age, address and the correct a pact with Hitler and that Hitler would then turn against mother's name the Soviet Union.

He was the one man Stalin hated and feared, because no one else exposed so clearly and consistently the crimes named Pablo Mercader." and blunders of the Kremlin dictator, while counterposing at every step the correct road of socialist struggle.

In his conspiracy to kill Trotsky, Stalin not only employed his vast world-wide apparatus with its gangs of hired killers, but he also received the indirect aid of one Madrid. "democratic" capitalist government after another.

Hating and fearing Trotsky's revolutionary socialist ideas, these governments refused Trotsky asylum. At the height of Stalin's major political preparations for the murder of Trotsky, amid the infamous Moscow Trials of the late Thirties, the Norwegian government, including its "socialist" Minister Trygve Lie, now secretary of the UN, made Trotsky a prisoner, prevented him from replying to Stalin's frameups and ordered Trotsky deported.

The only country that agreed to grant Trotsky asylum was Mexico, then under the presidency of Gen. Cardenas; and it was in Mexico, in August 1940, that Stalin's assassin and we couldn't prove anything ... true or not - does not contradict finally carried out the long-planned murder.

Traces of this international conspiracy against Trotsky's life are still glaringly evident. Consider the single Madrid." fact that "mystery" still oficially surrounds the assassination of Trotsky. Even the nationality of the assassin has never been established by any governmental agency. Every, lish Jacson's identity. important piece of evidence in the case has come from private individuals, private efforts.

cealment and connivance, the full truth has come out. Stalin stands completely exposed as Trotsky's murderer. And that is how history will brand him.

long time. Slowly. he checked the sets of prints. There was no doubt. They matched - every whorl, every delta. He now knew who Trotsky's assassin' really

According to Dr. Quiroz, Mergian, a lie that was quickly ex cader was arrested on June 12, posed by Belgian officials.) 1935, "for taking part in a In the mid-Thirties Caridad clandestine meeting of a group Mercader returned to Barcelona trying to organize the Youth and when the Spanish Civil War Communist Committee in the broke out she "and her devoted back room of the 'Joaquin Costa' son, Ramon, became active memsaloon on the Calle Wilfredo in Barcelona. When he was booked bers of the United Socialist Party at the police station he said he

of Catalonia, a Communist International affiliate. She quickly was was a clerk and lived at No. 7 given an important Soviet Secret Calle Ancha. The police arrested Police post, ferreting out unseventeen young men at the meeting but only five, including Merreliable members.'

cader were held on special orders MET SIQUEIROS IN SPAIN

Among the GPU men function-"At the time of his arrest he ing in Spain was David Alfaro was obviously fairly new at the Siqueiros, prominent Mexican business of being arrested. He artist who was later to head the innocently gave his correct name, unsuccessful attempt of May 24, 1940 to machine gun Leon names of his parents. His Trotsky and his wife Natalia. was Eustasia Siqueiros met Caridad Mercader, Maria Caridad del Rio Hernandez took a liking to her son "and and his father, since dead, was introduced him to artist friends the Artists Anti-Fascist

Dr. Quiroz says that no one at Union. Madrid police headquarters knew Caridad Mercader, her son and or suspected the significance of

his newly-wedded wife, Elena, the card. Returning to Barcelona, came to Mexico on Nov. 4, 1936, he again went to the police and landing at Vera Cruz on the told them what he had found in S.S. Durango. By February 1937

all three had disappeared.

room for doubt." "LONG SUSPECTED" IT The True article then repeats In addition to this testimony, "They smiled patronizingly. the well-known facts about the he claimed to have "complemenrole of Louis Budenz in helping tary proof." Gorkin did not reveal Why didn't you tell us you were Jacson to meet Sylvia Ageloff, a looking for Trotsky's murderer,' this proof but asserted "I now follower of Trotsky, in Paris in one official said. 'We've long suspected Ramon Mercader was 1938. Jacson won her confidence. became her lover, and, through the one. When we saw Frank her, gained access to the Trotsky Jacson's picture in the papers responsibility for them. In conhousehold. after the assassination some of us

were certain it was that young Dr. Quiroz continues with a any moment cite witnesses to the disposal of the GPU in Mexico commie, Ramon Mercader, but of story that doesn't sound quite prove the accuracy of what fol- it is too much to ask that he be course our records were destroyed plausible, but which - whether lows.'

There are some discrepancies the main facts. Quiroz says that in details between True's story Obviously no one in Barcelona had thought it worthwhile to the police of another city in Spain and Gorkin's. For example, check the print records in which he "prefers not to men- Gorkin says that the assassin was

tion," picked up a Soviet spy. The Caridad Mercader's third son; Dr. Quiroz asked if they didn't spy, recently in the Soviet Union, True says her eldest. But in the know about the efforts to estabtold about meeting Caridad Mer main, the two stories corroborate cader in the Monito Rest Home each other.

his at Moscow. She had fled from "One official shrugged JACSON'S PASSPORT shoulders. 'Oh, we knew. But you Mexico in 1940 after the assassiforget in those days no one was nation of Trotsky. With her was Both tie in with the following But despite every effort, direct and indirect, at con- talking to Spain officially. We another son, Luis, and her important fact established imwere cutcasts. So why should we daughter-in-law, Elena. mediately after the assassination: The source of a final bit of in- Jacson's passport was originally Robert Sheldon Harte, kidnapped volunteer information?

After a week of investigating, formation is not indicated: "For issued to a naturalized Canadian, at Siqueiros' orders in the May Dr. Quiroz says he uncovered con- the past few years, Caridad Mer- Tony Babich, who travelled on it 24 assault.

the elections Sept. 21, but their "courier missions" to Belgium she now he does not explain. The Jacson Jacson claimed he burned way to margin was reduced because the took her son with her "and in author of the True article re- the passport on his this way he probably picked up ports that Dr. Quiroz talked about murder Trotsky, but the au-Conservatives gained 7 seats his small knowledge of Belgium." publishing "a long scholarly thorities traced it, nevertheless, BECHARA EL KHOURY (After murdering Trotsky, the treatise" dealing with Jacson. through government records. assassin pretended he was a Bel- Perhaps this explains the delay.

Why Dr. Quiroz should claim President of Lebanon, resigned to be the first one to discover Sept. 18 after a three-day gen-Jacson's identity is not clear. He The claim of Dr. Quiroz that

before 1950 "no one had ever prior revelations although he to the Army. seriously thought of Jacson as surely must have known about * * * possibly being a Spaniard" is not them. Perhaps the sensation-INDONESIA'S Minister of De accurate. As a matter of fact,

seeking True magazine, wishing to make out that everything in the article is a scoop, bears responsibility. It would appear not difficult

pendix by Julian Gorkin to a now to settle the question of Durdin. book that was serialized in the Jacson's identity. If Dr. Quiroz summer of 1948 in Mexico

has photostatic copies of the under the title, "Asi Mataron a Madrid police record, as the (English translation. photographs in True indicate, they | Viet-Namese freedom - fighters "Murder in Mexico," by General should be made public. Gorkin can told AP correspondent Max Clos Sanchez Salazar. Secker & Waralso do a service by making public they had to attend political burg. London. 1950.)

lectures and discussions. One of his sources of information. them, Lieut. de Villeneuve, declar-Finally, it seems possible to bring another of the Stalinist ed he had not been interned in conspirators who murdered Trota prison camp; the group of prisoners to which he belonged sky to justice. If Caridad Merwere quartered in a small village cader is known to be living in Paris under an assumed name, as and treated very well.

working class party, said that True reports, it should not be various Catalonian refugees "who too difficult to arrest her. True ANOTHER BLOODY incident occupied positions of trust in the magazine accuses her of persuadoccured in Koje camp in Korea Communist organization during ing her son to kill Trotsky. She when three U.S. infantry platoons the Spanish Civil War and who was therefore an accomplice in opened fire. on demonstrating now stand aloof from it - or are the murder and should be brought Korean prisoners of war, injuring opposed to it - have identified to trial. Her testimony would uneleven. the assassin without leaving any doubtedly reveal more of the * * *

damning links leading from Trotsky's assassination to its master organizer in the Kremlin.

lords through a court order. The One of the conspirators, the reform plan included compensafind myself in the position of artist David Alfaro Siqueiros, tion for landlords by payment of being able to make a series of now roaming freely about Mexico, ten times the annual rental. statements and of accepting might also be hauled in for

further questioning - consider-THE MEXICAN Labor Fedclusion, I may say that I can at ing the money and influence at eration demands a minimum wage of \$1.20 instead of 80 cents daily.

> punished for his crime of May 24, 1940. Did Siqueiros first meet Newar Mercader in Spain as True

magazine reports? And while they are questioning Siqueiros perhaps they might ask him - with all the courtesy due such a distinguished representative of Stalin's secret police

Arenal brothers, Luis and Leo-

poldo, whom he indicated as the

actual killers of Trotsky's guard

to shed a little light on the present the whereabouts of

eral strike against government does not even mention Gorkin's corruption and turned power over Sept. 26-29

> fense outlined a three-year-plan to fight partisans in the moun tains. "Rebels" include a Trotskvist "band," according to N. Y. Times correspondent Tillman

IN INDO-CHINA three French Los Angeles Public Meeting: prisoners of war, released by the

has been delayed by feudal land-

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Nov. 1-2

Battlefront in Harlem

By Tom Denver

Mrs. Simmons' son was drafted into the army two years ago. Since his departure, something has happened which must be causing him to wonder about the democracy that he and millions of other American youth are being called upon to fight for. While Pvt. Simmons is fighting a socalled "police action" in Korea, his mother is fighting against a different police action in East Harlem.

Mrs. Simmons lives in a tenement that is to be demolished to make room for a City Housing Authority low-rent project. When the CHA first took over the area marked for demolition she was notified that she would be relocated in a new apartment at their expense and so she filed the required application.

Later she received a letter from the CHA tellin her to report to the relocation office. The final paragraph informed her that failure to keep this appointment would result in eviction proceedings by the sheriff.

This notice didn't disturb Mrs. Simmons. She was so darn glad to get the whole business over with that there was no doubt about her being there — and on time.

Then came the shock. At the interview, she was told that her application for another apartment was invalid. She had listed herself and her son as "residents" of her old apartment when she knew all along that her son was in the army and overseas and therefore not a "resident."

Furthermore, she was told, "legally" she no longer had a son. As long as Pvt. Simmons was in the army he was Uncle Sam's boy and the government was responsible for where he slept and VOLUME XVI what he ate!

Mrs. Simmons argued in vain about wanting to have a home for her drafted son after he was discharged. The CHA officials' referred again and again to the law which stated that "legally" she had no son. Besides, they smoothly admonished her, maybe he'll get married when he returns, or maybe he won't even want to live with you: he might have his own ideas about where he wants to live.

Then they offered her two alternatives: (1) A small place with just room for herself; or (2) an apartment shared with a total stranger.

Now a total stranger is a poor substitute for a son, as any mother will testify, and Mrs. Simmons is no exception. She is sticking by her guns and refusing the proposals of the CHA despite their threat to notify the sheriff to evict her. I visited Mrs. Simmons and one of her neigh bors. Both are members of the East Harlem Tenants League, an organization formed to defend tenants against the underhanded practices of the CHA. The conversation turned to eviction notices and Mrs. Simmons grimly nodded agreement as her neighbor said, "They can send the sheriff over to my place but they better send a black wagon too because I'm going out feet first if I don't get what I have coming to me."

Now it's quite a ways from East Harlem to Korea, but Mrs. Simmons' case easily bridges the miles. For while her drafted son is supposedly fighting to bring democracy to Korea, Mrs. Simmons is fighting for a little democracy in East Harlem, U.S.A.

Women in Dungarees

By Joyce Cowley

By Joseph Hansen

Notes from the News

I used to work in an aircraft plant and I remember a rainy winter morning when we had to go out to the flying field. Tiny, one of the new girls, was almost lost in a flapping raincoat and hip boots. She struggled up a ladder and we stretched out our hands so that she could bellyflop across the slippery wing of the plane.

"I don't get it," said one of the men who helped her up, "I have to work. But you're married and your old man's working. Why don't you stay at home?"

He raised an interesting question. The N.Y. Times raised it, too. In an article "Why Twenty Million Women Work," they pointed out that every day more women join the labor force and the majority of these women are married. So they sent a woman journalist to work in a West Coast aircraft plant for 30 days and find out why women work. "Economic motivations," she reported after a month's research, "are frankly in the foreground."

She means in plain English that women need the money. I'm a working girl myself and this point always seemed fairly obvious. But I find that there is still a popular belief, especially among men who are not too enthusiastic about women holding down skilled jobs in industry, that women are just working for luxuries. Maybe a fur coat or a 1952 car.

A survey made by the Women's Bureau of 8,300 women workers in 100 trade unions does not bear out the fur-coat theory:

"Daily living takes all or nearly all they earn, say most of the women replying to the questionnaire. 'Daily living' means immediate needs; it does not take care of the future. Most of these

working women have little choice as to where their money goes. It is spent as fast as it is earned to provide food, clothing and shelter for them-

port, dependents in addition to supporting them-

In 1939 when you could buy sirloin steak at 35c a pound and two loaves of bread for 15c, when you didn't have to watch at least a fifth of your income, melt into taxes to keep the war machine going, it was still possible for a man to support his family. But now it takes two people to earn one week's pay.

reader, to get a subscription renewal, we talked of their strike against Lockheed about prices and how difficult it is to give our aircraft. children the kind of nourishing meals they need.

"We just can't meet our bills," she explained. "When I get my husband's pay, I add up everything that we owe and it always comes to a lot full union shop and other fringe more than his check. Then I put aside the bills that can wait. But even the ones I have to pay about \$1.70 per hour. The com- THWART CAMERAS right now come to more than we've got." "Millions of other families are in the same a two-cent raise led to the

boat," I told her. "That's why you find so many women in industry nowadays."

THE MILITANT MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1952

this much is U.S. NEEDS this much more NEEDS TO BE BUILT BEING BUILT per year 2,000,000 HOUSES

Production: Needs and Fulfillment

Legend a = 200,000 HOMES10.000 CLASSROOMS ⊨ = 10,000 HOSPITAL BEDS T = 100,000 TELEPHONES Int'l. Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers prepared = \$1 BILLION this chart showing needs of American people going unfulfilled SE = \$1 BILLION

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because of war program. Wall Street dominated capitalist system cannot produce for peace, must have war drive to prop up system and prevent economic crash.

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serves and otten for others, too." The survey reports that six out of every ten women who are working support, or partly supcomplaints of rape and attempted rape in the city. During the same period of this year, that is, durng the present 'assault wave,' port, dependents in addition to supporting them-selves. One out of every seven is the sole sup-port of her family. the number dropped to 138! "New York's police department

has been in the headlines for By Ernest Rief mostly supervisors, office per- | are at the lowest rates of about several years as scandal after sonnel and members of the \$1.25 per hour). The union then scandal came to light. They need LOS ANGELES, Sept. 21 -Engineers and Architects Asso- lowered its demand to a 14 cents a whitewashing job bad," Bartell The 25,000 workers represented ciation, an, independent union charged. "If the cops and press increase. succeed in building up

which is bound by a no-strike SCORES COMPANY clause. This union has donated

Ten days after the start of the \$450 to the IAM strike fund. strike, John Snider, district union Picket lines are being observed by truck and cab drivers of the president, charged that the com-

pany not only had failed to offer AFL Teamsters Union. Busses included an 18 cent an hour carrying employees of Lockheed any constructive suggestions but attacks on innocent Negroes." average wage increase plus a had even repudiated agreements stop at the gates and force their reached before the strike began manufactured crime scare for the fares to walk in. benefits. Average pay now is and rights which have been in

pany's refusal to offer more than In an attempt to intimidate In the face of this adamant pickets Lockheed set up a raised company position union officials union's action after the memberplatform over the picket lines at are asking for government inship voted 99% in favor of strike their main gate to take movies, tervention which would put the action. Efforts of federal mediator but this was thwarted when men back to work under the old of an apartment house on Fifth "I know how you feel," he said, Cyrus Ching were ineffective as pickets used mirrors to reflect contract and set up a fact-finding Ave. and started walking down sunlight into the camera lenses. board. They feel this board would Park Ave. to a parked car. A Fortunately the strikers are recommend a better settlement

being considered eligible for than the company offers. The walking down Park Ave. rushed er-er." mediately set up at all gates of state unemployment compensa- union leaders thus appear ready across the street to a policeman. the four plants but after a few tion, though this has not usually to accept any miserable comdays the company secured an in-been the case in other strikes in promise as long as it is "better junction limiting the pickets to California. The union's Welfare than the company offers."

problems, emergency payments Need Labor Power and the morale of the strikers the strikers have to meet, etc. remains high. Those entering are

Since the start of the strike, While Mexican workers enter between the cop, with his hand is to blame in individual cases ckheed has raised its wage the U.S. illegally by the thou- on his pistol, and the Negro.

it offered nine cents on the fields, Mexican capitalists and

Fake Crime Wave Used to Cover Up N.Y. Cop Scandals

By Harry Ring

NEW YORK, Sept. 22 - "The phony 'crime wave' dreamed up by the cops and the daily press and fanned with screaming headlines about 'burly Negro' rapists and muggers, is a deliberate attempt

"That woman. You were folto divert attention from New York's graft-ridden police de- lowing her down the street," the partment, rehabilitate the force cop retorted.

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in the eyes of the public and, "I wasn't following anybody, under cover of this rotten pretext, are you crazy?" the Negro step up police brutality in answered.

Michael Bartell, So-"Don't give me any of your cialist Workers nominee for the lip," the cop ordered. "What the hell are you doing down here "The hysteria-breeding headanyway, following, white women? lines about muggers and about Why the hell ain't you up in 'All Out War on Sex Offenders' Harlem where you belong?'

may sell more copies of the This particular scene ended capitalist papers," Bartell conabruptly when the Negro antinued, "but the whole dirty nounced that he was William L. hoax is exploded by Police Com-Rowe, Seventh Deputy Police missioner Monaghan's admission Commissioner of New York City. that between August 1 and Sept. The cop at once began berating 15 of last year there were 147 the woman, but the Police Commissioner ordered the cop not to molest her.

CASE NO. 2

Poston then tells about another Negro who boarded a crowded subway car with his wife. They took separate seats. He sat next to a white woman reading the lurid Daily Mirror. Noticing the Negro next to her, she cringed the and then fled to an empty seat at hysteria, Monaghan's club-andthe other end of the car. trigger-happy hoodlums in uni-

Several white men glowered at form can once again pose as New York's 'finest' as they go about the Negro. One talked to the woman and audibly murmured, their daily routine of sadistic "Negro bastard."

Another white man moved into The ominous meaning of this the seat vacated by the woman city's Negro population has been and offered his name and address the contract as long as 14 years. pointed up by Ted Poston in the to the Negro should a witness be Sept. 18 N. Y. Post. He cites two needed to prove that nothing had instructive instances of the happened. The Nogro thanked mounting anti-Negro hysteria: him but said it wasn't necessary. 'A well-dressed Negro came out The white man was apologetic. "and some fool like that can cause trouble. If you need me, middle-aged white woman, also I'll be glad to help you out, Mr.

"Poston," the Negro said. "Ted Poston of the N. Y. Post."

Poston concludes his article "'Officer,' she begged, 'help with a statement by Ashley me. That man - that Negro | Totten, Secretary - Treasurer of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Poston then reports the dialogue Porters. "It's not a matter of who hysterical women overzealous

about it - before it's too late.





100,000

CLASSROOMS

150,000

HOSPITAL BEDS

600,000

T BILLION

for HIGHWAYS

\$5 BILLION

AT RIVER VALLEY

DEVELOPMENT

TELEPHONES for FARMS

Pope Pius XII recovered last week from a high temperature due apparently to a slight gastric infection. The 76-year-old head of the Vatican City State then issued a statement expressing alarm over the dwindling number of women in recent vear's who become nuns. The crisis in nunneries, he said, is "extremely grave" in some European countries where the number of women forswearing marriage and taking vows has been reduced to half.

He severely censured those who "no longer have a single word of approbation or praise for the virginity devoted to Christ" and included in his censure those who "give marriage a preference in principle over virginity.'

To encourage women to enter nunneries, the Supreme Pontiff authorized some changes in the nuns' traditional dress to make it more comfortable and hygienic.

Finally, commenting on "sexual neuroses" and their cure, the Pope condemned "the pansexual method of a certain school of psychoanalysis." He did not forbid or condemn psychotherapeutic cure in general; he only disapproved the "amoral way in which this cure is applied in practice."

The head of the Roman Catholic Church did not reveal what he meant by "sexual" neurosis or "pansexual" method; nor did he specify what school of psychoanalysis had brought down his

that don't concern us, we are bigger fools than

I think we are. . . . The next war will be a

holocaust and I am going to stand out against

it." Slogans he suggested were: "Out of Korea

come the British troops" and "Out of Britain

32 MILLION CHILDREN are now crowded

into grade and high schools in this country. One

out of every five is attending school in "buildings

that do not meet minimum standards of safety

against fire," says U.S. News & World Report.

Almost two million are forced into makeshift

classrooms in store buildings, etc. Fourteen mil-

lion suffer from overcrowded classrooms. And

A POLL AMONG FARMERS taken by Wall-

ace's Farmer and Iowa Homestead found these

interesting results: Asked which major party

was most likely to keep the Korean war from

expanding into a world war, 41% said "neither

party." 49% said neither party could be expected

to head off a depression; and 36% thought neither

ROBERT W. SAUNDERS of Tampa, veteran

of World War II, former newspaperman in Cin-

the situation is getting worse year by year.

go the American troops."

party would stop inflation.

condemnation. However, his reference can be interpreted in the light of a sermon delivered in New York Mar. 9, 1947, by Msgr. Fulton J. Sheehan. The American Catholic spokesman aroused energetic protest in scientific circles when he misrepresented and denounced the views of Sigmund Freud, founder of psychoanalysis, from the pulpit of St. Patrick's Cathedral.

"Freudianism," said the Monsignor, "is based upon four assumptions, materialism, hedonism, infantilism and eroticism" and "it denies sin, and would supplant confession."

By coincidence, on the very same day the Pope in 1950 and from the first played was suffering from his gastric disturbance, another holy authority took up additional evils wor- gave generously of his talents in rying the Roman Catholic hierarchy. "The uni-versal aspiration of the present time," said Pedro Cardinal Segura of Spain, "may be summed up in one magical word, which has succeeded in seducing people - liberty."

The Cardinal denounced freedom of thought, freedom of press and freedom of religion as "liberties of perdition" responsible for the "great evils of the world." The Roman Catholic Church, he reminded the world, "condemns" freedom of religion "in an energetic and decisive manner." He called on God to "preserve us from all these evils surrounding us. . . and keep us faithful to the fundamentals. . . and doctrinal practices of the Holy Church.

Joseph Larimer

lowest wage rates (this would landlords are advertising in Italy asked, "and what do you mean somebody better do something affect few people since not many for agricultural workers. The Chicago branch of the Socialist Workers Party is mourning the loss of Comrade Joseph

with polio eight days before.

Joe joined the Chicago branch an active and important role. He landlord interests by voting to The AFL was represented by and luxury apartments. This pro- city where rents have been deconvarious fields of party work. His main interest was educational activity. He recently colquarter of a million tenants and eration of Labor, Finlay Allen, laborated with other comrades in

their families in this important secretary of the Detroit Building preparing a new type of class industrial center at the mercy of Trades Council, and Mary E. outline for party recruits. His greedy landlords. Kastead of the Detroit Federation last assignment - which death Although controls do not die of Teachers.

interrupted - was the testing of until Sept. 30, landlords have al- Emil Mazey predicted that this outline in teaching a class of ready served notice on tenants of rents would go up from 30 to 70 recruits the fundamental doc- rent increases ranging, in some percent if controls were lifted, trines of the revolutionary socialcases, as high as 140%. In reply calling this a 10-cent hourly st movement. to complaints by tenants, the wage-cut for approximately 250,- REUTHER CLAMS UP

During World War II, Joe be- Detroit Office of Rent Stabiliza- 000 Detroit workers. He went on came concerned about the ravages tion has stated that it is already to say that if this had happened of imperialist wars and the fate out of business. Tenants' com- in the plants, it would have of the great majority under plaints submitted many weeks caused an immediate shutdown. capitalism. Shortly after his dis- ago will be ignored, since the

charge from the army, he decided, entire office is closing. though he came from a fairly Powerful sentiment against the well-to-do family, to join the poor end of rent controls was shown housing director, exposed one of and oppressed in the struggle for at a public hearing which was the real estate interests' favorite

packed by 1,000 people, only 500 tricks by quoting from a letter While a student at Dartmouth of who were able to get into the by Arthur Bassett of the Detroit a brave man. He has just accepted employment University he first became in- small city council chambers. Well Trust Company to Hubert Nelson as Florida field secretary of the NAACP, to terested in the Norman Thomas over a million anxious people are of the National Real Estate Board replace Harry T. Moore, murdered by a bomb Socialist Party. In 1948, he joined reported to have watched the in which Bassett said that the the Progressive Party and then hearing on television.

But earlier contact he had had man of the Socialist Workers property owners, a little bewith the SWP and its ideas helped Party, expressed the sentiments draggled and run down at the lacite notions and to recognize the ple of this city when he stated working hardships on the small treacherous role of the CP in the in a telegram to the hearing: owner." ment of Agriculture, the farmers were not getting American class struggle. Sub-"The need of the hour in Detroit Ed Turner, president of the

> burden from the small homeowner of Colored People, said that to the giant corporations and the Negroes would be hard hit by

CASE FOR RENT CONTROL

portunities and lower incomes. Supporters of rent control from He blasted discrimination in the abor, liberal, tenant, consumer, assignment of public housing. veteran and feligious organiza-Labor in Detroit has the power tions spoke with great effec- to halt the rent gouge, but untiveness. They proved that there fortunately, up to the present, is a serious housing shortage in the officialdom of the union Detroit (under the law this movement has merely made the should be enough to warrant con- record. The responsibility for this tinuation of controls), and they rests upon the CIO alliance with proved that decontrol would hit the Democratic Party.

the low-income and Negro sec-In the city council, a minority tions of the population first and of councilmen put in office with CIO support advocated a "comhardest. Speaking for the CIO were Emil promise" solution. This consisted Mazey, secretary-treasurer of the of a recommendation that a 10%

ing the loss of Comrade Joseph Larimer, 30 years old, who died on Sept. 20. He had been stricken with relia eight deen stricken DETROIT, Sept. 22 - Detroit United Auto Workers, and Al rise be granted in rents on all session of the legislature to city officials have surrendered to Barbour, secretary - treasurer of dwelling units, and that controls impose a state rent control law. the pressure of real estate and the Wayne County CIO Council. be taken off two-family dwellings

'molesting'?"

CASE NO. 1

offer to seven cents plus a penny sands lured by false promises "What d'you mean molesting police, or circulation seeking

or two cost-of-living bonus. Then about high wages in American that woman?" the cop demanded. newspapers. But a situation is

there - is following me!""

Harlem,"

U.S. Senate, charged today.

let rent controls die at the end of Frank X. Martel, president of the posal merely convinced the land- trolled, Milwaukee, it has been this month. This will leave one- Detroit and Wayne County Fed- lords that there was no serious reported by Mayor Zeidler that opposition to their greed.

Council President Miriani, one of the CIO-backed politicians, said said, "are far beyond the means after the vote: "Controls are off, at the end of the month, and the

concerned to any future discussion on the subject."

"What woman?" the Negro developing in our town and

of time for a whitewashing of the High Prices Stir Democratic Party and its ticket, he couldn't find a minute to Action in Ceylon

devote to rent control. Governor A mass campaign against high Williams, touted by the top labor prices through the formation of officials as a "friend of labor" local Action Committees has been rejected a plea by State Senator launched in Ceylon by the Lanka Charles S. Blondy for a special Sama Samaja Party.

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1,500	1,344	90
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JIM FIGGINS, general secretary of the British cinnati and factory worker in Detroit where he National Union of Railwaymen, told a meeting: was active in the CIO United Auto Workers, is "The war in Korea is not being fought for freedom and democracy but in the interests of American capital. Before America lies inevitable defeat. . . . If we are going to be so stupid as to last Christmas for his militant fight against Jim lay down our lives in a great war for interests Crow terrorism.

FARM INCOME, which had declined sharply in the first six months of this year from last him to overcome the illusory Wal- of the vast majority of the peo- heels, to show that controls were year's levels, was sliced again in the period from July 15 to August 15. According to the Depart-

more money for their basic crops but the prices they have to pay have kept rising. movement.

NEGROES PAY 25% to 30% more rent for homes in slum areas than whites living in equally poor housing, the Research Bureau of the Social Planning Council of St. Louis has discovered.

SENATOR NIXON'S SOAP OPERA brought a flood of telegrams to the Republican National Committee. One read: "Keep Senator Nixon," and was signed "Cocker Spaniel Lover."

THE AFL CONVENTION heard only scheduled speeches save in a few instances where individual delegates had enough courage to demand the floor. Frank Turco of the Seattle newsboys compared West Coast teamster dictator, Dave Beck, to Senator McCarthy. A. Philiph Randolph insisted on discussing civil rights. Another delegate criticised the AFL's bureaucratic custom of electing all its vice-presidents in a bloc.

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the Communist Party in Chicago.

members won him over to our tenants and a shift in the tax Association for the Advancement

decontrol because they are restricted by limited job opmillionaire real estate interests." decontrol

sequent discussion with the SWP is retention of rent control for Detroit branch of the National

case for decontrol would be Howard Lerner, Detroit chair- helped "if we parade a few small

PUT ON THE POOR ACT James Inglis, former Detroit

Walter Reuther, head of the UAW-CIO, had occasion to speak ride. twice on the radio during the rent control fight. While he had plenty

blow came still another directed against the working people: Detroit Street Railway fares have been raised a nickel to 20c. a

rents jumped an average of 25%. "Rents for moderate homes," he of the ordinary working man.

In the only major midwestern

It's not unusual for landlords to door is closed so far as I am demand \$100 to \$125 (a month) for small, modest homes. On the heels of the Detroit rent