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YORK, Sept. 9 - Pioneer to President Truman and publication on Oct. 1 of a new his national tour to mobilize pub-book, "The Case of the Legless lic support for his reinstatement. Lovell Scores Publishers today announced the hower, his suits in federal court, Veteran," by James Kutcher. It Eight hundred national and lois Kutcher's own story of how he cal labor, liberal, civic, veterans, was purged from a clerical job religious and minority-group orwith the government in 1948, and ganizations, representing several of his five-year fight to clear his million Americans, have rallied ham behind the movement to vindicate In Detroit the legless veteran. His report on recover his job.

A native of Newark, N. J., how this support was mobilized Kutcher tells how and why he be- makes useful reading in these came a socialist during the de- days of the witch hunt. pression of the Thirties, and of his Equally revealing is the chapter experiences as an infantryman Kutcher devotes to the Communin the U.S. Army, which ended ist Party, the only organization when he lost both his legs in the that publicly attacked his fight

battle of San Pietro almost ten to be reinstated. years ago. After the war, he A stirring human document. learned to use artificial limbs dealing with one of the most hotand went to work for the Veterans ly debated issues in America to- Durbin is directly involved in a day — civil liberties — The Case Administration.

But two years later he was dis- of the Legless Veteran is sure to ture. charged under President Tru- arouse thought and discussion man's "loyalty" program because wherever it is read. of his freely admitted member-The book, which will sell for ship in the Socialist Workers Par- \$1.00, was published by a British ty, one of the groups arbitrarily firm, New Park Publications Ltd., included on the Attorney Gen- and Pioneer Publishers, 116 Unieral's "subversive" list without versity Pl., New York 3, N.Y., a hearing or the right to defend is the American distributor. itself against unspecified charges. In an article written exclusive-

Most of the book deals with ly for The Militant, James Kutch-Kutcher's experiences as a vic- er will explain the history of the mon Council "investigate the Cobo tim of the witch hunt — his ap, book and the circumstances which pearances before several "loyalty" led to its being published abroad, boards, his meeting with Attorney rather than in his own country. General (now Supreme Court See next week's Militant for this that make him unfit for public Justice) Tom Clark, his appeals article.



Legless Veteran Writes Book on "Loyalty" Purge McCarthyites Aim Big Smear Barrage at Organized Labor

Housing Head

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DETROIT, Sept. 5 - Frank Lovell, Socialist Workers Party candidate for mayor, today requesced a hearing before the Common Council to demand the "immediate discharge" of Harry J. Durbin, director-secretary of

the Detroit Housing Commission Lovell's request for a hearing followed the disclosure that \$7 million private-housing ven-

In his letter to Ralph Sitter, clerk, Detroit Common Council, Lovell charged that "Mayor Cobo knew at the time of his appointment of Durbin that this unscrupulous official was directly connected with the big real estate interests of this city.

Lovell said that because of this he would demand that the Comadministration to probe Cobo's connections with vested interests, such as the real estate profiteers office

"As you know I am a candidate for mayor in the coming election. I believe my appearance before the Council is of vital importance the citizens of Detroit, because it now becomes clear why Cobo administration has.

Lovell's election platform takes a for hright stand on housing: "Drive the bankers and real "Rent control! Strictly enforced

Next in Line

Wall Street Seen Victor estate profiteers from the City Hall. Housing is an all-year In West German Election

Inquisition Starts Nov. 1 As Cover for Attack on **Union Living Standards**

By Art Preis

The McCarthyites are now levelling their smearand-slander artillery point-blank at their biggest and main target — the American labor movement. Starting Nov. 1, the special Senate Internal Security subcommittee, headed by McCarthy's protege, Sen. John M. Butler. Maryland Republican, will begin

its inquisition on "Communist ployers would be able to block penetration of our trade unions." recognition of any union at any Sen. Butler indicated that the time merely by making a "com-Congressional filth-throwers will plaint" of "Communist-dominaaim at all sections of the labor tion" to the Big Business-ruled movement. After naming as po- SACB.

ential victims the independent Union-hating employers and United Electrical Workers, Amer- newspapers are licking their chops ican Communications Association at the prospect of the anti-labor and Mine, Mill and Smelter Work- tid-bits the Butler "hearings" will provide. The N. Y. Daily ers, Butler added ominously: These are but a few of the News, one of the most rabidly Communist-dominated unions anti-labor newspapers in the which present a continuing threat country, hailed the Butler "hearto our national security." ings" and gloated that the "investigation" into the unions Butler's announcement of his witch-hunting expedition into the "promises to be a violent and

unions followed Attorney General Brownell's assertion in the Sept. 1 U.S. News & World Report that he "Communists" are a "greater general smear barrage against menace now than at any time" and that "there are more in labor ers intend to do a job of intimidamions than anywhere else." Brownell said he would cooper- done by previous "probes" of govate with the Butler subcommittee ernment employes, teachers and

which "will be investigating not professors, public entertainers, only whether there has been any scientists, liberal Protestant clerviolation of the present law but gyman and others.

highly educational affair. . . This "educational" affair is undoubtedly designed to unloose a organized labor. The witch hunttion and victimization like that

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also whether there is any need The latest threatened "investifor additional legislation. . ." gation" is carefully timed to This "additional legislation" includes Butler's own anti-labor bill against labor's living standards give the Subversive Activities and union-won conditions



As the leading working class party in Ceylon, the Lanka Samasamaja Party is playing a decisive role in the great labor struggles there. Above is shown a past rally of 30,000 in Colombo under the auspices of the Lanka Samasamaja, which is a section of the Fourth International (Trotskyist).

CEYLON, Aug. 18 — The general strike and hartal (closure of shops, boycott of schools etc.) struggle of August 12 is a landmark in the history of Ceylon. It is undoubtedly the biggest mass **D** upheaval that has taken place in The SLFP, a left liberal capitalist Ceylon in this century. It has party, while declaring that (1) it

been a terrific experience for the had no influence in the trade masses and the entire labor unions, and so the question of a movement. A' most important strike did not arise, and (2) that earnings for the first six months aspect of the struggle was that it was not opposed in principle masses. In fact, it would not be incorrect to say that in this particular action the militancy of the rural masses was greater than that of the urban workers.

The struggle arose principally as an effort to restore the rice subsidy. It has today developed to a higher level - into a strugto replace the United Nationalist Party (capitalist) Government.

third child. Her husband Ephraim generation Puerto Ricans. Following the mammoth meet-earns \$40 a week. Out of this they colombo, on July 23, which was in an East Harlem "furnished held under the auspices of all the apartment" building. They share which a tear-gas attack by the police (with baton charges) failed Mrs. Rosario told the Post during of the State Employment Service. Opposition parties, together with the trade unions, came into existence for the purpose of am I going to have enough room to (a) the removal of the rice enough room for us now?" "I have tried to find bigger subsidy (b) the other attacks on masses and (c) the attacks on want eighteen and twenty dollars "Slums are being created faster years." democratic rights through ban- a week and I have enough trouble than they are being eliminated. ning of demonstrations in Colom- trying to manage on what we pay bo, restriction on use of loud- now.

speakers, etc. In this committee of all parties ment," she said, "and they ask description, and families of six, with a "complaint system" under human habitation." in opposition to the government, you how many children you seven or more cooking, eating and which no inspection of private What do these startling figures the suggestion of the trade unions have."

for a one day protest strike, and of the left parties for a "hartal" | wages and unbearable housing ing the slum blight. . . on the same day, was taken up. conditions is shared by the over-

by neighborhood tenant commitees. Roll back rents!

"Stop all evictions! The mayor must declare a state of emergency. Refuse to evict any family nless other housing is available! "Build homes! Instead of white

marble waterfront monuments to ministration, build low niddle-income housing!

"Tax the corporations! Thoutions. They bear the social Washington and London. responsibility to see that these people are properly housed." declared, "Harrassed tenants will

prejudice.' Reports on aggregate corporate Christian Democrats.

Overcrowding is the germ of the THE "COMPLAINT SYSTEM"

profits in 1950.

"MOST UNDERPAID"

(Continued on page 3)

By Harry Ring

By Murry Weiss

tions out of a total of 14 parties man voters - as we would like With the great world revolu- were washed out. The bulk of the to believe -- were giving a vote tionary tide moving against them, pro-capitalist, middle class and of confidence to American for-American Big Business and the Neo-Nazi vote had swung behind eign policy. West German monopolists never- Adenauer.

DON'T WANT WAR

The combined vote for the theless finally scored a significant victory in last Sunday's West working class parties (the Social There is no doubt that the position of American capitalism his real-estate controlled ad- German elections. The return to Democrats and the Stalinist Comand power with a consolidated parlia- munist Party) showed a slight has improved in West Germany absolute increase over 1949 but the last few years. By pouring mentary majority of Adenauer the leading European proponent dropped considerably in relation tremendous resources into the

sands of families were brought of Wall Street's foreign policy to the total vote. There were over revival of industry and backing to work in Detroit by the corpora- has been jubilantly hailed by 6 million more votes cast this up the Adenauer regime with all year. The Social Democrats polled its power, Wall Street has Is it the beginning of a major 7,939,774 as compared with 6,- managed to gain a beach-head reversal in the world anti-capital- 934,975 in 1949. Their percentage for its grand scheme of making Germany the bastion of anti-Urging that organized labor ist, anti-Wall Street trend of of the total vote dropped from fight to remove Cobo and his ap- developments? What are the 29.2 in 1949 to 28.8 in 1953. The Soviet military power in Europe pointees from public office, Lovell causes of this capitalist triumph? Stalinist vote was cut in half. But here is the rub. There is not The capitalist vote in Sunday's They polled 607,413 as compared the slightest indication that the give full support to this. It will election showed two tendencies: a with 1,361,706 in 1949. Their German people have bought the all facing New Yorkers is the question of their very surbe a long step toward rent con- definite increase in the vote for percentage dropped from 5.7 to idea of rearmament and becoming trols and low-cost public housing the capitalist parties relative to 2.2. The Social Democrats got a pawn of Wall Street.

for all, without discrimination or the total vote, and, a consolida- 150 seats in the Bundestag as The relative prosperity in tion of the forces of German compared with 136 in 1949 and West Germany which indubitably capitalism around Adenauer's the Stalinists who had 15 seats in has a reality, although it is much 1949 lost all of them. exaggerated insofar as the condi-

The Christian Democrats polled Not all the capitalist press tion of the working class is conof 1953 show an increase of 12,440,799 votes as compared with hailed the elections as an un- cerned, has had a momentarily of Democratic and Republican it was not confined to the work-ers, but brought in the rural and it wanted over a month to prepare 16%. All indications are that 1953 of more than 1949. Their vote quanned victory for the western it wanted over a month to prepare 16%. All indications are that 1953 immed from 31% in 1949 to 45.-bloc. The Wall Street Journal, for gle. However, it must be under-on the program. "This nation, that dropped the it was not confined to the work- to a hartal, took the position that profits over 1952 of more than 7,359,084 in 1949. Their vote qualified victory for the Western softening effect on the class strug- mayoralty aspirants also appeared ist parties running in the elec- by no means clear that the Ger-(Continued on page 2)

Control Board power to brand any plants. It will coincide with the union as "Communist-dominated." drive in Congress this fall to im-A union so designated would be pose a national sales tax on the denied NLRB recognition. A union workers. It will also seek to terwhich is merely being "investi- rorize resistance to the post-Kogated" by the SACB on "com- rean-war campaign of the corplaint" of an employer would porations to reduce employment have its collective bargaining costs and increase production by rights automatically suspended a speed-up offensive in anticipaeven before a hearing. Thus, em- tion of a "recession."



NEW YORK, Sept. 8 — "The most urgent issue of vival in a war of H-Bomb destruction.'

This is the forthright warning

issued by David L. Weiss, Social- the 'men, women and children of ist Workers Party candidate for Hirochima and Nagasaki, can no mayor, in his campaign address longer expect immunity for its delivered over television station own cities in an H-bomb war," WABD tonight. Representatives said Weiss.

first atomic bombs in history or

"If elected Mayor of New York, I would call for a city-wide popular referendum, a vote of the people, on the policies that are leading to war. Such a referendum would reveal that the people do not want to threaten anybody with the H-Bomb. They want to bring home from foreign soil the one million six hundred thousand American troops abroad. one half million of whom are still in Korea.

the City's Puerto Rican com- dollars and came here two years

"They want no new Koreas. They want to stretch out the "My son still sends us a little hand of friendship to the peoples plained, "and my husband sells secure and free life for everypotatoes in the street. And I sew body here at home.

"LET PEOPLE DECIDE"

four children in a lower West "Often we have no food. Thank "I have no doubt how the peo-The test revealed 3,122 viola- Side rooming house. They occupy God my children are able to eat ple of this city, given the chance. clothes we have to cut down on inspire the people in other cities

> same as in Puerto Rico.' RENT -- \$268

Gonzales Corchado, 67, and his wife Mercedes, 63, live five flights (Continued on page 4)

"Things are very bad here, the

to demand similar referendums. "This would not only abruptly check the war makers but could grow into a powerful movement to take the war-making powers out of the hands of the brass and up a mustard brown staircase on Wall Street politicians and put West 101st St. With their four them in the hands of the people.

Let the people decide."

The House I Live In"--Puerto Ricans in whelming majority of the city's death of seven persons, we were complaints pending as of last some of these buildings in each of we had for a hundred and fifty Clara Rosario will soon bear her 425,000 first — and second — more appalled as the evidence ad- January first.

duced before us disclosed that the The Grand Jury checked the munities and talked to the families ago. greatest city in the world is complaints against the actual that lived in them. Here are a few surely, but not slowly, being per- housing situation. It chose for its of the things they came up with: money now and then," she ex- of all lands and build a happy, The Puerto Rican people "are mitted to deteriorate and decay.' test 15 square blocks in three

the most underpaid workers in In 1947 before the present typical Puerto Rican and Negro THE BELGADOS the city today," flatly asserts large-scale immigration, the City neighborhoods of Brooklyn for Mrs. Margaret Belgado and her dresses for people. That is how

Frank Meunch, Regional Director Housing Authority estimated a which there were 576 complaints husband Pablo live with their we live. of the Wage and Hour Division housing shortage of 900,000, in- on file.

cluding unsafe, unsanitary, viola-And a Brooklyn Grand Jury, tion - ridden, old-law tenements. tions of dwelling laws, 402 of a single room, a long narrow space hot lunches in school. Otherwise would vote. Such a referendum established to investigate the This problem, the Grand Jury which they described as hazard- which has in it a three-quarter they would starve. As it is, I buy in the greatest city in the United existence for the purpose of an I going to nave enough room taking further action in regard for the baby when I don't have led to the horrible death of seven torrible death o led to the horrible death of seven tensified by ... profiteering land-Puerto Rican men, women and lordz ... and further intensified lations of the sanitary code, and a basin-size sink, a small wardrobe fast just supper here. Sometimes' of Wall Street's war plans, the children in a blazing Brooklyn because of lack of adequate en- 337 violations of the fire code. The closet and two chairs. For this we have milk and fish but never common people of this country the standard of living of the rooms," she explained, "but they fire trap July 8 last year, said: forcement over the past several total number of violations came the landlord gets \$60 - a - month both together. If anyone needs do not want war. It would also

"either recorded as, or found to be hold down a regular job. The City slum disease. Occupancy of dark, The Grand Jury found the City illegally occupied, after being Welfare Dept. has come to their

"Things go very bad for us in "Shocked as we were by the staggering number of 264,535 ers for the N. Y. Post went into told the Post. "We sold everything

checked, they discovered 94 were Mr. Belgado is sick and cannot food.

"You ask for a project apart- damp and filthy cellars that defy Building Department operating condemned as unfit or unsafe for aid with a grand total of \$25.50 a

month.

sleeping in one room, lacking dwellings is made unless a tenant mean in terms of the human be- Puerto Rico when my son in the The Rosario's problem of low proper toilet facilities, are spread- makes a complaint directly to mgs who are compelled to live Army gets married and stops them. Even at that it found the under these conditions? Report- sending us money," Mrs. Belgado

to 12,445. Of the 739 buildings rent.

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GM PAMPHLET **REPEATS AN OLD LIE ABOUT SOCIALISM** By Murry Weiss

Many years ago when I was on a socialist tour in California, I spoke to the Junior Chamber of Commerce in a small town somewhere in the San Joaquin Valley. I believe it was through the efforts of a local sympathizer lem is to produce profits. We are who convinced this organization not required to figure out how we the State Department is fairly widespread, not only in Europe that it would be very stimulating things we need and keep the but also among liberals in and "broadminded" to listen to a profits rolling into General America. Dulles seems to act

Reuther.

socialist. Longshoremen's strike then going on in San Francisco, the justice MONEY USED FOR WARS of the workers' demands and the prospects for America going socialist, a young woman, whom I had thought rather attractive up talist wars, we could easily get to that moment, indignantly asked me, "Why do you want to divide everything up? If you did that I might end up with the wheel of a what would I do with that?"

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ists don't propose "dividing the argument.

"WHO OWNS AMERICA?"

I was reminded of this incident while thumbing through a booklet called "Who Own America?" It's one of the series generously distributed free by the Employe Relations Staff of General Motors According to the booklet, America is owned by "just about all the people living in it - and most of them within the modest income group." I think we can safely assume they mean the workers own America since everyone their income is very knows "modest."

The author of the booklet, a certain Harold F. Clark, is advertised as "a noted economist." of World War I, World War II, earlier seems irrational. Having had some dismal ex- the Korean War, plus the colossal periences with the weighty annual expenditure of preparing opinions of this type I took a World War III, plus the continudeep breath and plunged in: "In ing costs of Wars I and II, we every age, there have been those can easily get the one trillion who thought the solution to dollars that under non-capitalist existing economic problems was conditions could have provided a to divide up the wealth of the decent home for every family in country." I remembered my old the United States.

acquaintance, the Junior Chamber cf Commerce beauty with her heavy-weight "railroad wheel' for a big corporation, he made it 50 million "railroad wheels."

\$20,000 HOUSE

Labor Party member of Parliament, assailing John Foster Dulles Sept. 6, said that never before had a man "spent so long in preparing himself to be Foreign

of himself and his country when he finally got the job." This impression of the head of Motors bank account at the same more like a bull in a china shop time. We leave that to the than a smooth diplomat trying talk about the causes of the miracle workers . . . like Walter to win friends and influence peo-

> If we merely took the wealth ings in Italy, Germany and and productive power that was Japan, used up in the devastating capienough to equal the sum necessary for 50 million homes at \$20,000 boorishness, which is another

> a piece. And that's only one source of dangerous to underestimate a

it was the first and last time I dollars. On March 2, 1946, the and now Eisenhower. spoke before that kind of organ- N. Y. Daily Mirror reported that

people \$700 billion by 1972.) The cost of the "police action" in Korea was \$15 billion for the U.S. Thus the minimum U.S. exfigure for Mr. Clark's 50 million seeking freedom from imperialist new homes.

heavy-weight "railroad wheel' angument. And sure enough, Mr Clark rolled it out; except, that as a "noted economist" writing he diversion of tens of millions of young men to military service. And, on a world scale, how many man-hours of labor lost through as a "noted economist" writing And, on a world scale, how many homes could the 60 million casualties of World War II have built?

What Audience Is Dulles' Propaganda Aimed At?

By Joseph Hansen . (Fourth of a series.)

Woodrew Wyatt, a British Secretary and made such a fool

ple abroad. For instance. in a single press conference Sept. 3, he said things that ruffled feel-

Dulles' course can be dismissed as a consequence of stupidity, or

manifestation of colossal all overtures for a deal with the Kremlin, everywhere taken the form of stupidity. However, it is initiative in one form or another to stir up trouble, and has thus

DULLES

succeeded in proving itself in the

of capitalist diplomacy to try to

appear to be seeking peace when

I repeat, this course seems

should fight another war and

total annihilation that this war

entails.

destruction, and even danger of major diplomatic problem.

railroad train or something and capitalist waste. We're not taking foe, particularly a class enemy. into account the incalculable waste Before we write off Dulles' I forget if I succeded in con- of the depression, and numerous speeches as nothing but a typical eyes of the world to be the agvincing her that we weren't try- other items dealt with in James symptom of the lack of regard gressor. Even Hitler tried to avoid a railroad train and that social- ed not long ago in The Militant. which only hurts Wall Street, let disarmament proposals, in ac- American soil." A trillion dollars is one million us once again check the diplo- cordance with the standing rule wealth" in that sense. Anyway million, or one thousand billion matic problems faced by Truman

Wall Street's major line of you are preparing for war. ization and I haven't had many fantastic figure as the cost of world strategy since the close of On top of this, the State Deoccasions since to deal with this World War II. The U.S. share World War II has been the partment seems to pay no attenlone was \$317 billion. (That's preparation for World War III, tion to the complaints of its world's industry were concenjust the cost of the war for the as I have indicated in previous allies about this uncomfortable trated inside the United States. years 1940 to '45; interest on war articles. Part of the preparation state of diplomatic affairs. In- The other third of industry was there's barely enough carfare left comfortably accounted for.

> that it is estimated that World seen. It includes the Western tures about speeding up their (Howard K. Smith in "The State War II will cost the American Hemisphere, Western Europe and rearmament. the Mediterranean, and the Pacific from Japan to Australia. If you assume, as it seems only the State Department's major it years ago, then so far as incommon sense to do. that the problem is to lead its tremendous dustrial power is concerned, two-

> penditure for World War II and major diplomatic problem facing coalition of powers into war under thirds of the world's population the Korean War combined give the capitalist class in the U.S. a plausible diplomatic cover. But is concentrated inside the United us one third of a trillion dollars is to arm, inspire, and lead this it happens to face a bigger States. The other third is spread - that is, one third of the total vast coalition into war on the problem - the problem of conwealth of the United States and Soviet Union, China, and the vincing the American people they world. therefore one third of the cost colonial countries that are now

> > necessary deed for two successive

Company representatives, ob-

committee unmercifully. They re-

campaign for a favorable vote.

Two special strike issues of

the union paper were issued by

headlined. In the second, the ex-

their state of apathy. They began

brought the membership out of company.

PAPER PUBLICIZES FACTS

half and have a lot left over to prodded by the company into

domination, the State Depart-If we calculate the total costs ment's course since 1948 and even sacrifices, frightful bloodshed and this two-thirds that it sees its

PROVOKED CRISES

It has provoked one diplomatic Just how crucial this problem cajoled. frightened, bamboozled crisis after another with the is, is not generally appreciated psychologized — in brief, hyp Soviet Union, truculently rejected even by those who pose as ex- motized and high - pressured into

the United States. Imagine what could have been accomplished with the billions of

perts on such things. To grasp going willingly, even enthusias- public opinion in America. The ground again and again; not it, you have to understand the tically, to war, then the world's high-handed attitude toward the only advance when possible, but weight of the American people most colossal force has been suc- allies is likewise designed for its be prepared to make detours and as a force in world politics. cessfully lined up behind Wall POWER MIRRORED

IN POPULATION In the last century, Karl Marx

It was on the basis of such con-

siderations that Trotsky could

The preponderance of the

United States by the end of.

World War II could be expressed

in two graphic sentences: "Three

quarters of the world's invested

among the other countries of the

The problem has two sides. If

the American people can be

of Europe.")

conquering vast new areas for made the rather startling state- exploitation. If, on the other others in the most reactionary and a costly retreat is better than ment that the sparsely settled hand, the American people remain wing of the Republican and a suicidal advance. United States was actually more unconvinced, disquieted, poten- Democratic parties take ad- Hence the hesitations and postpopulous than teeming India. He tially ready to turn on Wall vantage of this for their own ponement after postponement of explained this assertion, which Street, then war can mean the ends - appearing as powers seems to fly in the face of the quick finish of capitalism - holding a club over the State macy that has breathed fire and facts, in the following way: the definitive finish on a world Department. But the real club is smoke and rattled atom bombs Populations, viewed from the scale. standpoint of economics, must be

weighted by the relative develop- A PROPAGANDA DEPT.

ment of their industries. That That is why what Dulles does this is a correct way of viewing in public is calculated above all must go to war no matter what populations is dramatically shown for its effect on the American the cost. when countries go to war. If people. The State Department, so political factors do not intervene, far as its public declarations are power on earth - the American War III, but Wall Street dare the war boils down to a conflict concerned, has really been conbetween their relative industrial verted into a government propapowers. Thus, in Marx's view, the ganda department aiming prima- World War III without adequate high level of American transporrily at the American audience. tation, agricultural and industrial

production even in the last century gave the U.S. a greater incident after another to inflame must move cautiously, test the they are right. population than India.

effect on the public at home. The even retreats if the advance Street's banners. American capi- witch hunt with its spectacular proves to have been too precitalism then has fair chances of raids, trials and spy scares is pitate. Dangerous as retreats

getting a new lease on life by part of the pattern.

Demagogues like McCarthy and cannot afford to lose this game

World War III despite a diplothe need the State Department since 1945 and even tried to use

may be. Wall Street feels it

feels to convince the American the civil war in Korea as a people that the "reds" are a possible opener. Hence also the genuine danger against whom we cease-fire in Korea. The American people are proving hard to mold according to the

Dealing with the mightiest blueprint laid down for World people — Wall Street understands not let its impatience run away very well that to simply launch with its better political judgment. America's ruling 60 families preparation could prove the see the main danger and there-

The provocative diplomacy shortest way to suicide. Precisely fore the main problem not abroad abroad is designed to furnish one because of the power involved, it but here at home. And in this

vincing her that we weren't try-ing to get her to divide up her home in return for the wheel of il home in return for th **Eisenhower Tries to Balance His**

By Reba Aubrey

It's a real problem these days laneous items. That totals 5 hours is considering issuing governcapital and two-thirds of the trying to get from one pay day 20 minutes, and, according to the ment bonds which would pay to the next. Scrimp as you will, tax experts, all your needs are perhaps 21/2 % interest - and this years 1940 to '45; interest on war articles. Part of the preparation state of uppendice and on the other 95% to get to the job when the next 2 hours member of the family would be and 40 minutes you've got to put permitted to invest up to \$250,paycheck is due.

If we translate this into terms that you've either got to get more irrational - if you consider that of population, as Marx viewed It's nice to think about getting faxes. more money, but with nothing

practical in sight, like marrying FLAW IN THE PICTURE into a rich family or falling heir to a fortune, you decide to give picture — they don't show the the rich. your expenses a going over. amount of time you spend each

You're already buying less day producing profits for the The face of the power-sensitive meat than you used to and then stockholders. Let's suppose the submit to the lowered standard of State Department is turned toonly the cheaper cuts. You can't boss is getting as much out of living, loss of freedoms, bitter ward this two-thirds. It is with do anything about rent - either your day's labor as the govern- rescue. you pay or the landlord offers to ment. That means you've actually

get the sheriff to help you move covered all your own needs by out. You seldom get closer to a working 2 hours and 40 minutes new outfit than window shopping. a day. Come 20 minutes to eleven You don't visit a doctor unless each morning, you've earned your the symptoms are alarming and board and keep. But you can't budget, I looked up a couple of then only after they've lasted a go home. No, you've got to work while. Your recreation is deter- the next 2 hours and 40 minutes had been done in similar situamined strictly by the cash outlay, to keep the boss happy and then tions when taxes got too burdenso you usually wind up at home another 2 hours and 40 minutes with a library book.

already, how can you possibly cut next one. any more?

no withholding or income tax whatsoever deducted. This sounds like a good bet, a very practical There's a little flaw in the way to ease the tax burden - for

But I'm still feeling necessity's sharp pinch. Something's got to give some place and I can't wait for Eisenhower to come to the

WHAT THEY DID IN 1776

After again checking the already whittled - down amount allowed for groceries in my books in the library to see what some. In 1776 unjust taxation was to help the government pay for one of the things that caused With expenses cut to the bone past wars and prepare for the the people to rebel. They organized a revolution, kicked out the

Is it any wonder, after donat- tyrannical British government By this time you see you've ing one-third of your day to and put in the kind they themgot to really sharpen your pencil support the boss and another one- selves wanted. Thomas Paine, one and go over every single item. third to support the government of the participants in these By Emmett Moore] to realize the serious state of development of all occurred in There's one huge outlay each - both in the extravagant style deeds, described the new America FLINT, Aug. 29 — The huge affairs which had developed and the committee when a motion was week that is especially irritating to which they've become ac-uick Local No. 599 UAW-CIO which they had been kept in the passed calling upon the executive — withholding taxes. That's a

expenses; 16 minutes for miscel- reports that the administration

in to complete your 8 hours? You 000 in these bonds. Thus a man Checking over your budget to donate those final hours - the and wife with two children could see what's wrong, you conclude longest single section of the day buy one million dollars worth and - to the government. The pay be assured a \$25,000 - a - year money, or cut down on expenses. you get for that time covers income by the government - and

interest is to be tax-free. Each

He says: "Let's show fallacy of that notion with thi example. If we took the tota wealth of the United States - a trillion dollars — and divided it War III? evenly among the 50 million

families of our population, it "NOTED ECONOMISTS" would buy a \$20,000 house for each family unit." Sounds pretty and speaking purely as a matter - better than ending up of cold hard fact, it has been good

with a train wheel. But our my experience that "noted eco-"noted economist" is a masterful nomists" of the type who teach demolisher of socialist dreams. in our universities, especially We are no sooner relaxing in our those who attain the high honor grievances. They failed to gain \$20,000 home with a glass of beer and calling of writing for Genin front of a 24-inch TV screen, eral Motors, are among the than Mr. Clark smashes the TV silliest and most pompously strike vote. set and snatches the beer ou ignorant people in the world. of our hand.

in the house; not a piece of bayonet thrusts is a little straw It took a flurry of wildcats and It sat down and talked. The taunts furniture; not a piece of cloth- man he built with his own hands. firings to prod them into action. came from the other side of the ing; there would be no food." Mr. Why should we dismantle the At a membership meeting in bargaining table for a change. Clark goes on to show why there powerful productive plant built May, a thousand workers voted Without the strike vote, the local would be nothing - no factories, by the sweat of the workers and authorization for strike action. still would not have won a thing. railroads, telephones, or electric transform them - if we could Yet the Executive Board, which lights. The entire trillion would __ into 50 million useless housing had authority to set the date for be spent to house 50 million units? Just to make it easy for a strike vote, postponed this starving American families in Mr. Clark to refute socialism? dark, cold, empty houses, with What socialism actually pro- months. children and adults running poses is to use America's unaround naked as jay birds. divided and total productive serving this, became more smug

He ends up triumphantly on the power on a planned and non- and contemptuous of the Buick last page with the declaration: profit basis to build the things union bargaining committee. "It is perfectly clear that we we need, like homes and all the Here were people threatening to could divide up the wealth of the other necessary and desirable strike but afraid to take a strike local from negotiations to report United States and each family goods. And another thing. We vote. Week in and week out the to the executive board after it if nothing were left with which the capitalists and still improve to keep producing additional their quality. If we took the profit, minded the committee of the 1948 wealth, our economic world would not to speak of the profiteering, negotiations when Buick workers out of housing construction we voted down strike action by a soon collapse."

THE HOUSE AND FURNISHINGS TOO

Let's see if we can get out laboratories, parks and libraries. after it was authorized by the It's capitalism that goes in for membership. of this uncomfortable dilemma Mr. Clark has put us in. And let's insane projects. For example the In anticipation of an adverse accept the terms of his example - | capitalists took the most skilled | union vote, the corporation lifted how to get a \$20,000 home for and productive labor to build the pressure on the shop committee every family in the United States first two atom bombs and destroy- temporarily by slowing down the and still keep the brickyards, ed two teeming cities with all speedup drive. Realizing the negotiations and a strike would Union, joined by local officers, humber mills, glass factories, their economy and homes. It cost seriousness of the situation, the plaster and cement mills, steel them approximately \$20,000 for union officers called key militants mills, furnace foundries - in every man, woman and child out of the shop to organize the brief, those parts of the economy killed and maimed in Hiroshima required to furnish materials to and Nagasaki. Socialism means build homes; and, for good an end to such insanity and measure, we will include all the barbarism, Mr. Clark.

rest of the economy needed to Don't worry, Mr. Clark, when supply everything we need or the workers really own America the union. In the first one, the want. instead of the 60 billionaire

Our solution, of course, won't families, they will easily produce Our problem is how to produce they will be able to provide food. agreement was featured. useful things and still keep the clothing, utilities and undreamed full power of our productive ma- of comforts for all in great chine going. General Motors prob. sbundance.

And if you think this is not a Buick Local No. 599 UAW-CIO the fair argument, since we can't has voted to ratify a new seniority dark about by the officers. resurrect the war dead, what

board to negotiate an agreement Termination of the local sen- from management in writing that much can be done about it. The budget? You don't have very agreement after three months of about the hundreds of millions of negatiations and a series of strike iority agreement shook the Buick the company would not penalize weeple marked for death in World actions by the membership. These workers, since it affected all of any workers who protest speedup ment before you even get your POSSIBLE SOLUTION stemmed from speedups, com- them whether on defense or auto under paragraph 78 of the napany-imposed penalties against production. The radio talks and tional agreement until the issue prices keep going up, maybe rank - and - file workers and the sound cars touring the gates is jointly resolved by the union Not meaning any disrespect, firing of one committeeman. helped to obtain a ten-to-one vote and the company. This marks the The Buick union succeeded in in favor of strike, with 12,000 first attempt by a body of GM winning an improved seniority workers trooping to the polls. By workers to solve one of the most

agreement, reinstatement of fired this act the Buick workers wiped difficult problems under the workers who were pawns in the the 1948 blotch from their union present contract by depriving negotiations, and other minor record. management of speedup penalties. In previous speedup fights, The vote should have drilled a which can last for months, the security against speedup, the lesson into the heads of the Buick company has broken them with primary issue leading up to the officers. The lesson is that it is better to begin negotiations after From the beginning of negotia-

propel the local union leftward.

a strike vote than two months What Mr. Clark so cleverly tions last March, the Buick lead- before. This was demonstrated by firings. "But there would be nothing demolishes with his logical ers couldn't make up their minds. the company's changed attitude.

The significance of this proposal was no accident that John Livingdirector, immediately appeared in the Five & Ten in New York, for will take a lot more than an elecwhat should have been strictly a

NEW LEADERS APPEAR local problem. Although the bar-What contributed to the rapid gaining committee had been in- ed to the cash register - that's workers' votes went to the Social monstrous betrayals we have witsettling of the issues was the structed not to accept any sen-

for City Hall. emergence of more militant lead- jority agreement until the other ers from the ranks on the ex- issues were settled, after Livingmuch taxes really disrupt the these masses. The Social Demoecutive board and in the com- stone's intervention, the press an- family budget until the other day crats campaigned against Adenmittee. Management must have nounced that agreement was near, when I sent for a report I read auer's pro-American policy. been shocked when it witnessed based on the "model" seniority about in the paper. The report is the recall of the president of the agreement.

Apparently the local officers feller Plaza, New York. They've to the plans of its own capitalists with an iron counter-revolutionary consented to this procedure in figured out how much time you and Wall Street and possesses a fist. would have a \$20 000 house; but could build homes cheaper than company taunted the bargaining had granted a new improved violation of their own executive spend each day working just to socialist consciousness and tradiseniority agreement. board decision out of fear of the cover the taxes you pay - taxes tion. It will not easily be trans-The president received instruc consequences of leading a strike of ali kinds, direct and indirect, formed into anti-Soviet cannon tions that management demonover the most fundamental issue visible and invisible. fodder! strate good faith by stopping all plaguing General Motors workers

The Foundation assumes you DANGER SIGNALS could cut Mr. Clark's costs in huge majority. The officers were speedups and that acceptance of In the meeting called for earn \$4,500 a year, and spend it the seniority agreement be held ratification of the agreement, a all. That's about \$86.50 a week. build hospitals, schools, research taking a strike vote two months in abeyance until all other issues rank - and - file worker pointedly For many families that would be were settled. This startled man- put his finger on a vital sore a lot better than they're getting of capitalist power in West Geragement, since it understood that spot when he noted that the now. However, I won't argue the bargaining committee always original cause for strike action whether this is the true average tends to be more conservative was the speedup and not sen- "urban wage earner" or not. I'll cratic leaders of the working appear liberal. For the workers, than the executive bodies of a ority. The facts demonstrate that take their figures until I see class. The long list of betrayals, local. It was apparent that lengthy once again, the International better ones.

To further demonstrate that new forces were appearing out ards.

of the pre-strike developments, The acceptance of the agreemanagement had to cope with the ment by a small meeting of 100 for the day; the next 35 minutes announcements appearing in all Buick workers testifies to the cover transportation; 1 hour, 43 offensive of capitalism. plants of Buick calling on the fact that the workers are only minutes go toward the rent. It's workers to elect the most mili- momentarily aroused by imme- now six minutes before the elections is a danger signal. The strike in recent years and addi. back into a state of apathy, which work 22 minutes to pay your Iran, where the workers had and slums, "industrial problems," These two issues of the paper tional cause for alarm by the has been the prevalent state of doctor bills; 21 minutes cover the perhaps the best opportunity of "farm problems," rent, civil

Perhaps the most disturbing in the auto industry.

ficulty tempting piece of change;/but not boss collects it for the govern-

they're right in not trusting peo-

What else? The last time the

grocer rang up the cost of the

sandwich spread, the bread, milk

and wax paper, I was startled

into asking what the extra few

your wages in a little box attach-

ple to pay the withholding tax

of their own free will.

FOR CITY HALL

much to balance with. hands on it. Considering the way

balancing

few, because their Government is just: and as there is nothing to render them wretched, there is nothing to engender riots and

privileged. . . Their taxes are

Pres. Eisenhower, of course, tumults." may came up with something I wonder what he would say helpful. A Washington columnist about the situation now.

WALL STREET SEEN VICTOR IN WEST GERMAN ELECTION

your own

(Continued from page 1) | Kremlin and native Stalinist leadthe simple device of penalties of cents were for. "Tax on the wax founded on the revival of West ers, is still another warning time off up to three months, even paper," he said. Actually, if you German economy without the signal.

stop to notice, almost everything staggering costs of rearmament The world situation is more seems to be taxed - cigarettes, and militarism. To carry out the revolutionary than it has ever was not lost on management. It gasoline, movies, talcum powder next stage of Wall Street's plan been. There have been moments, - and that's not counting the and turn Germany into an armed and by no means few, when the stone, vice-president of the UAW- sales tax in many cities and camp, with the working class working class could have taken CIO and its General Motors states. Every time you shop in forced to shoulder the burden, power by not much more than a mere declaration of the fact. example, the clerk drops part of toral victory. However, although capitalism is

feeble, it isn't dead. Given the The great bloc of industrial nessed, it is capable of con-Democrats, revealing the anti-But I didn't have any idea how war, pro-socialist sentiment of solidating new strong points of reaction. In the long run, if the highly ripe crisis, which cries out for a revolutionary socialist solution, does not end in workers The German working class, orby the Tax Foundation, Rocke- ganized independently, is hostile victory, the capitalists will strike

> West Germany thus once again underscores the burning need to create a revolutionary leadership in the period immediately ahead. The capitalist counter - revolutionary schemes of war and fascism raise nothing less than the The most general and deepgoing cause for the consolidation question of the fate of civiliza-

> tion. Given the opportunity, many is the treacherous policy capitalism will organize a terror of the Stalinist and Social Demothat will make the Hitler regime the creation of revolutionary parties founded on the program the lost revolutionary opporof the revolutionary struggle for tunities, the derailment of the struggle for workers power, the power is a matter of life and death.

criminal policy of Stalinism in Europe throughout the post-war

A recent Gallup poll finds that conditions for a major counterin listing variations of popular worries in different parts of the The vote in the West German country two out of the major worries are common to all sections: "the high cost of living. worries are the housing shortage

You punch in, say, at 8 a.m. struggle over production stand-

The first hour and 36 minutes you earn enough to buy groceries period. threaten to create the

tant members as picket captains diate production problems. When whistle blows but for statistical missed revolutionary opportunity primary problem of speedup was and calling for volunteers to the the corporation relaxes its drive purposes you knock off and after of the French general strike is and fear of a recession resulting Flying Squadron of the local. for higher standards, the workers an hour for lunch come back six another danger signal. The in unemployment." The other be acceptable to General Motors. good homes for every family. And piration of the local seniority This was something new for a without conscious leadership drift minutes before 1 p.m. Then you counter - revolutionary coup in

> affairs for the last several years wear and tear on your clothing; all to take power but were rights, taxes, conservation, and 17 minutes go for recreational prevented from doing so by the the weather.

backed away from a serious

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Government for the People

Most union leaders on Labor Day took digs at the Republican Administration and Congress. This is not hard to do since the Republican Party is so openly anti-labor and pro-Big Business. Where these union officials did a disservice to the workers is in their attempts to puff up the previous Democratic administrations and Congresses and represent them as fundamentally different and superior to the present ones.

James B. Carey, secretary-treasurer of the CIO, said in a radio broadcast that "after 20 years of government for the people, this country has now turned to government for profit." CIO President Reuther used a similar formulation, stating that "a host of special interest groups have moved into Washington with a bitter zeal to reverse a 20-year trend of government for the people."

The lie in both these statements is not that we have government for profits now, but that we didn't have government for profits under Roosevelt and Truman. Reuther and Carey well know that we never had more government for profits than under the New Deal and Fair Deal administrations and the Democratic-controlled Congress.

Under Roosevelt during the second world war, corporation profits doubled almost overnight, from \$5 billion in 1939 to \$9.4 billion in 1942. In 1943, corporate net profits for the first time passed the \$10 billion mark. Under Truman, after the war, corporation profits soared on the basis of continued government arms expenditures and price inflation until they were double in 1948 what they had been during the actual period of war. In 1950 and 1951, during the first 12 months of Truman's "police action" in Korea, corporate profits rose to a peak that the Republicans them-

selves may never surpass until and unless, like the Democrats, they take us into still another capitalist war, which they are

planning to do. Under Roosevelt and Truman in World War II we had government by the "dollara-year-men" from the big corporations who ran the government agencies. Truman himself, as a Senator in 1942, issued a devastating report on this, although neither he nor anyone else in Washington did anything about it.

A month after he dragged us into the Korean War, it was Truman who, by executive order, curtailed the already inadequate government low-cost housing program by more than two-thirds. And if, as Truman complained in his Detroit speech, the Taft-Hartley Law has not been changed "as promised by the Republican candidate during the 1952 election campaign," neither had it been changed nor repealed after four years as promised by Truman in bosses (caids). He is a former his 1948 campaign.

It is a shabby deception for the union from the very beginning of the leaders to speak of the Democratic regimes as "government for the people." They pretended to be for the people; they made big promises; they used demagogy. But there was not a single meager the Sultan. He soon built up his reform vield under the Democratic administrations that was not wrested by bitter mass labor struggles. Or do Carey and Reuther now want to spit upon and bury the militant past of the CIO?

We will not have government for the people until the people themselves run the government. When American labor builds its own political party, runs its own candidates on its own class program and takes power in Washington, then - and only then - will we be able to begin to speak truthfully about government of, by and for the people.

French Pick Bandit as Morocco Sultan

By Charles Hanley

the Protectorate treaty of 1911, manent threat to his throne, Sidi tan of his religious powers as Mohammed that the French gov- Arab world. Mohammed ben Youssef never Imam or Defender of the Faithful ernment had decided to depose the French imperialists deposed really capitulated to the French (although they were not entitled him and to deport him immediate- that the U.S., being concerned tan of Morocco, and exiled him occupiers. During the war, for to do so). Moulay Mohammed ben ly to the Mediterranean island of about the security of American Sidi Mohammed ben Youssef, Sul to Corsica. Mohammed Moulay instance, he sympathized with the Arafa, a weak old man belonging Corsica. ben Arafa, a puppet of the French Moroccan independence move- to El Glaoui's tribe and distant-

and of the powerful Pasha of ment. Tension between the French ly related to the Sultan, was pro-Marrakech, became his successor. and the Sultan increased; and claimed Imam. Fifteen Arab, Asian and African French High Commissioner Gen-REFUSED TO YIELD

nations formally requested the eral Guillaume finally decided it might be advantageous to pro-J.N. Security Council to invesvoke a showdown. tigate the French move as a

"danger to international peace and security."

The French and their ally, Thami El Glaoui, Pasha of Marrakech, had prepared to oust the Sultan for some time, because despite his pro-French education he strongly sympathized with the

"Istiqlal," an anti-feudalist, antiimperialist movement which has repeatedly defended the Moroccan labor unions against French repression.

The Sultan's opponent, El Glaoui, is the rallying center of the reactionary feudalist elements, the tribal chiefs of some four million primitive Berbers dwelling in the mountains, the ultra-orthodox priests, and numerous village

in the Socialist Workers Party campaign for an \$18,000 Party-\$1,500 goal. Building and Publication Fund

Chester Johnson of Minneapolis amounted to \$1,451. This increas-sent this note with \$125: "That ed the total to \$12,693 as of Sept. makes \$1,044 sent in from the robber who supported the French 8, or 71% of the national quota. Twin Cities, or 87% of the total. Three more branches - Phila- We now have all but \$20 pledged Protectorate and helped them to delphia, Pittsburgh, Newark - so are certain of making it." subjugate the Moroccan people. joined the 100%ers this week to "The city is evacuated and After World War I, he was remake a total of six which have everyone is up at the Los Angeles warded with a kind of private

already completed their quotas. | Summer Camp for this coming state in the Sherifian Empire of "We knew we could do it all the week," explains Comrade Jeanne, time! Please don't mind if we "but before going we reached the power through exploiting phosphate and iron mines and through crow a little; we feel so darn goal we set for ourselves of \$1.an extortionate tax system. Thus good!" says Alma Seton for Phila- 900. In fact, we bettered it slightdelphia. "Here is \$61 on our ly. The check enclosed for \$316.50 the French encouraged the forpledge, which puts us over the top brings us up to \$1,927. We will do mation of a tremendous feudal estate and zone of political influby \$18. And we intend to keep the best we can on the balance of our \$2,500 pledge, of course." on going."

ence. Allentown zoomed from way-This was the device long used Chicago is going to town before this campaign is over, according down to way-up on the scoreboard by the British in India. To dominate the country more easily, they to Hilda Smith who says: "Don't with a \$35 contribution. The combolstered local princes who, owing know just how much but we'll be rades there "hope to be able to their colossal wealth to British sending you another check this send the balance soon."

policy. had a material reason for week end. We are working to top Boston added \$30 to its score being loyal to the King of Eng-Akron's 117% and think we will and Cleveland gained \$25. "This make it." includes individual contributions Comrade Betty of Pittsburgh and \$8 from a small house party,"

The French could always put pressure on the Sherifian Sultan writes: "Enclosed is \$15. This explains Jean Simon. of all Morocco by permitting El makes us 100%. It was a hard New York chalked up a \$517

Glaoui to agitate against the pull, but we finally made it." gain; Seattle a \$95 gain. Comrade nonarch who mainly represented Some of the other branches are Dan says: "George and I are go-

the more progressive population of his followers in Marrakech. rounded the imperial palace, and been heard. Nor will Guillaume's On August 20, in violation of of the cities. Yet, despite this per- They obediently relieved the Sul- General Guillaume informed Sidi promises convince the rest of the

'Under the pressure of French advise France not to go to ex-

lay Mohammed was then pro- But it is more important to the claimed Sultan of Morocco and, State Department not to antatogether with the French, prom- gonize Paris when French support Sidi Mohammed refused to yield ised reforms in order to calm is needed in the Korean question. the religious office upon which down the 4,500,000 Moroccan Would the threat of a feudalist his governmental power rested. Arabs. It is obvious, however, old Al Azhar, Islam's highest rerebellion make the Sultan abandon El Glaoui told his Berber tribes- that these promises will not win ligious institution and a spiritual the Nationalists? Sidi Mohammed men to converge on Rabat, the over a nation whose rights have center of Arab nationalists, ex-

Sidi Mohammed may have hoped military bases in Morocco, would

tanks and the Berber tribes, Mou- tremes in its Moroccan policy. At Cairo, Egypt, the 1000-yearpressing Arab feelings about

SWP Fund Campaign Total Reaches \$12,693

By Reba Aubrey **Campaign Manager** Receipts during the past week

stepping up their contributions in | ing to spend the next two weeks | The comrades in San Francisco a determined effort to complete visiting sympathizers to see how sent in \$32. They say: "Our fund their quotas by Sept. 15. Buffalo, much we can raise. We are mak- campaign is in slow gear but the for instance, sent in \$134 which ing the raising of money for the fund director is plugging away puts them within 10% of their fund our No. 1 activity until Sept. and hopes to tap some more sour-

ces for monev.'

Branch	Quota	Paid	Percent
AKRON	\$ 150	\$ 175	117
PHILADELPHIA	400	418	105
CHICAGO	1,500	1,510	101
NEWARK	500	500	100
PITTSBURGH	30	30	100
ST. LOUIS	75	75	100
Buffalo	1,500	• 1,346	90
Minneapolis-St. Paul	1,200	1,044	87
Los Angeles	2,500	1,927	77
Allentown	60	45	75
Boston	550	379	69
Cleveland	350	240	69
New York	4,500	2,828	63
Seattle	450	278	61
Oakland	250	137	55
Milwaukee	400	202	51
Youngstown	450	217	48
Flint	250	115	46
San Francisco	1,000	446	45
Detroit	1,500	603	40
General	385	178	46

\$12,693 Total through Sept. 8 \$18,000

"Tower of White Lillies"

The biggest movie hit of all time in Japan is the "Tower of White Lillies." It is a simple story of 200 Okinawa high-school girls who were drafted as nurses when the American troops landed in 1945. They are bullied and tormented by their Japanese officers. But they show the courage and adaptability of youth to all conditions. Life goes on. They sing and dance in their off hours despite the bloody war that is raging around them.

Then the Americans come. As their mopping up operation grinds away, one after another of the girls is killed. Not one survives. The laughter and the tears are

ly showing in Japan depict similar themes and it is reported that a major production on the bombing of Hiroshima will be released shortly. Apparently American authorities are

worried about this trend in the Japanese film. They are also worried about the reaction of Japanese audiences to films from Hollywood. Recently "Task Force," a film about the war in the Pacific, was shown to packed audiences.

The reaction was unexpected. It stirred a great controversy in American circles as to the advisability of showing such films. The audience cheered when any military

Report from Ceylon on General Strike

unless it was assured in advance places of work.

of its success, and that therefore

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(Continued from page 1) too. The clerks who turned up for the forefront. Six people here also been arrested. In some vil- whole quite normal and are per-prepared to call for a hartal work had to walk miles to their were injured in the shooting. The lages which went into militant fectly normal today apart from

There was practically a com- they had the courage not to male population is hiding in the measures of the Government. it could not decide whether to plete strike in the harbor, the retreat in the face of bullets. In jungles to avoid the police terror join in a hartal until it had first Government factory, the Way and Colombo, a worker named Edwin, had time to make inquiries and Works Department, the Railway an LSSP sympathizer who par- through indiscriminate beatings of even the optimists in the udge the situation in the country. Workshops, and in a number of ticipated in demonstrations and and arrests.

Whereupon the Lanka Samasa- private firms. In the plantations, other activities, attempted to ap- The Colombo Municipal Council port for the UNP Government maja Party (LSSP), which is the where the All Ceylon Plantation peal to the troops to withhold fire. passed a resolution supporting has declined disastrously, and the Ceylonese Trotskyist party, the Workers Union (the LSSP led He advanced step by step on the the hartal. This was made possible prestige and popularity of the military. He was shot and riddled by a vote of 14 to 11 in had a base, tens of thouunion)

masses everywhere showed that action on the 12th, the entire the curfew and other emergency After the action of the 12th which is now being unleashed which exceeded the expectations

Trotskyist ranks, the popular sup-Left, and the LSSP most parspite of ticularly, has risen higher than ever before. In this situation the dissuading the masses from disorganized action, pointing out that our preparations were for a oneday protest strike, that further preparation is necessary for carrying the struggle to a higher level. Sporadic and isolated actions will only provide the Government with the excuse to con tinue the Emergency. With the backing out of the left bourgeois party, the SLFP, at the early stage of the movement, the struggle became to all practical intents and purposes one conducted by the Left workingclass parties, that is, the LSSP and the CP-LSSP United Front. Thus in action the correctness of the basic position of the LSSP on the question of the United Front was demonstrated.

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stilled forever.

The hostile commentator on this movie, Walter Briggs, writing from Tokyo for the N.Y. Herald Tribune, says, "Tower of White Lillies' is in a class with 'All Quiet on the Western Front' as effective preachment." But it is precisely its effectiveness that alarms him. And through him we get the U.S. State Department view on the anti-Americanism that is sweeping Japan and finding expression in the most popular medium of culture — the moving picture. Here is how Briggs describes audience reaction to "Tower of White Lillies": "Tears roll down the cheeks of Japanese audiences. War is horrible! How horrible the Americans are !" Other movies current-

"We're making enemies for ourselves showing such a picture. We're playing into

the Communists' hands." This was one reaction reported from an American source. "The American Chamber of Commerce

in Japan protested its showing to Warner Brothers," reports Walter Briggs.

giving a different slant on why "Task Force" was shown: "Actually (it) serves the purpose of American policy, which is to encourage rearmament. And it serves to remind the Japanese that we are the best ally they could have: we have the armament, the 'know-how.' "

A Confessed Mass Murderer

Truman is a confessed mass murderer. If there ever was a candidate for the tribunal of an honest war-crimes court it is this instigator of the "police action" in Korea. The man who gave the order for "operation killer" had a conversation with his Texan pal, ex-Speaker of the House of Representatives Sam Rayburn. Here is the verbatim report of the conversation as it appeared Sept. 6 in Drew Pearson's column:

Rayburn: "You could have negotiated the same kind of truce 12 months ago."

Truman: "I could have negotiated it 18 months ago.'

Rayburn: "But if you had there would have been the biggest howl from the newspapers you have ever heard in this country."

Truman: "Yes, plus demands that I be impeached."

We wonder how the mothers, fathers, sisters and brothers, of the GI's killed in the last eighteen months are going to take this news. Truman tells us it was in his power to end the Korean war as long ago as eighteen months! Why didn't he? According to his own statement he was afraid of newspaper howls and threats of impeachment.

This is the measure of the man who started the bloody intervention in Korea at Wall Street's command and kept it going despite overwhelming mass protest and hatred for the war. But it is more than Truman's measure. It is a ghastly inreverse to U.S. forces came on the screen.

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land.

Another American authority was guoted

dicator of the political type in power in the United States today.

Is it any wonder that around the whole globe American capitalism and the Wall and OP, LSSP United Front and Street war makers are despised and that trade union and other organizathe very word "America" has become a curse synonomous with brutal oppression? | GOVERNMENT ROLE

Perhaps the most hideous thing about unaware of what they were saying. So was the reporter. Pearson tries to evoke sympathy for Truman! Poor Truman! He was they stayed away from work on pilloried by the newspapers. He is still the 12th; the public was assured "smarting" from their unfair treatment, of all protection if they came to according to Pearson. But he does not seem to be "smarting" over the mass slaughter in food-stuffs were warned that the last 18 months."

And where is the "liberal" conscience of the nation? Where are the educators, stormy protest against this outrageous confession and all it implies? The answer is McCarthyism. Cynical comments revealing crimes that would have staggered previous generations can be passed off almost unnoticed. It is dangerous to speak out against Wall Street's foreign policy. The witch hunt has put a gag on honest public opinion.

This conversation should serve to rip the gag off. It is time to speak out against the madmen who are toying with H-bombs and threatening the world with destruction.

Front, the Ceylon Labor Union, sands of workers (including large the Ceylon Trade Union Federanumbers of those belonging to tion, the Ceylon Federation of the Ceylon Workers Congress) funeral even though no procession tionalist Party (government party is pursuing the policy of Labor, the Ceylon Mercantile struck work. Exact figures are or speeches were permitted by party) members were persuaded Union, the Harbor and Dock not available, but in one district the regulations now in force. (No not to attend! The Council hoisted Workers Union, and the Federal- alone (Ratnapura) it is estimated funeral may take place without a black flag (symbol of the ist Party decided to call the strike

on that day. The total number of Federalist Party issued a separate plantation workers who struck statement, since it insisted on would certainly exceed 30,000. embodying the principle of non-The hartal was a great success violence which the other parties in most of the towns, and even a did not agree to.) greater success in the villages.

The Ceylon Indian Congress MASS PRESSURE (and along with it the Ceylon

However, the most significant areas which are relatively poli-Workers' Congress which is CIC feature of the movement was that tically advanced and where the dominated) had originally agreed to come in provided all the Op- the masses went further than they LSSP had its organizations. In position parties (that is, including were called upon to do by the the areas where the CP is supthe capitalist SIFP) came in hartal and strike committees. In posed to be strong (the extreme After some delay, they declared practically all areas road block, South) no such actions took place that they were not joining the ades (by the falling of trees at all.

strike and hartal, but would in- across the road, the building of struct their organizations to hold obstructions resembling barricaprotest meetings on the 12th - des, and even human obstructions after work! Consequently, par- caused by large numbers lying ticipation in the strike and hartal across the road) was the order of the militancy of the masses, came was finally reduced to the LSSP the day.

tions following these parties.

destruction of small bridges, etc. ganda before the 12th. Buses which were plying despite

As was to be expected, the the hartal were forcibly stopped the Governor General declared a the conversation between Truman and Ray- Government took all possible by stone throwing and sometimes State of Emergency all over GOV'T PRESTIGE LOW burn is the fact that the participants were measures to bring about the by the masses stopping the busses Ceylon, and ordered a curfew in failure of the strike and hartal. on the road, and sending them the Western and Southern Provin- ever may have been the motives Clerks and workers were warned back. The few buses plying in ces, where the most militant ac- of the Government at the time it bomb is a frightening, mysterious that they would be dismissed if Colombo had disappeared from tions had taken place. Under declared the emergency, today the streets by noon. In order to make the break- have been promulgated which gency and the assumption of down of railway transport doubly ban meetings or processions, per⁴ even wider powers which stamp use in preparing for atomic work and carried out their normal certain, the masses cut signal mit the requisitions of private out every expression of opinion wires, removed rails, and in property, make strikes in essen- and institute a police - military protect children from the H-bomb. occupations on this date; traders certain cases forcibly stopped the tial services offenses punishable regime, is being done by the of men, women and children in Korea for their licenses would be cancelled few trains that were running and with 20 - years imprisonment, Government because it realizes if they closed their shops on this

compelled the passengers to alight make any attempt to bring presdate: radio and press were utilized in a rising crescendo of propaganda against the strike and writers, clergymen, critical journalists and hartal. The decision of the union had removed one mile of rail tence, make looting, arson, were still spreading on the 13th, incorruptible lawyers? Why isn't there a of the Government clerks not to track during the night of the trespass (on prohibited areas) by the 14th things were on the join in the strike was given the 11th. fullest publicity.

The morning of August 12, CLASHES WITH POLICE however, found the streets of the Clashes of the masses with sealed, offices have been raided, principal towns, and particularly police and military were wide- and widespread arrests have Colombo, deserted. This was spread. In some parts of Colombo made. Over a thousand are being caused principally by the biggest there were pitched battles be- held on remand (without bail) breakdown' of transport seen in tween the unarmed masses fight- and among them are party lead-Ceylon. Following the strike at ing with stones on the one hand ers like Cholmondeley Goonewarmidnight on August 11 of the and armed police and military on dena (ex-MP of the LSSP), K. P. workers in the running sheds of the other. Hundreds were injured Nair (District representative of

the railways all over Ceylon, rail- by rifle fire of the police and the All Ceylon Estate Workers way transport was completely military. The number dead is not Union, Kandy branch) and Merdisrupted. The biggest bus com- definitely known yet. pany (South Western) had a In the village of Egoda Uyana tuwa Urban Council). The arrests complete strike, while a number (in Moratuwa electorate just are still continuing, as well as of smaller companies had strikes outside Colombo) women were in police beatings. Some CP'ers have

with bullets by the officers. He the fact that the Left is not a was given a Trotskyist Party majority, since some United Nathat 30,000 workers struck work special permission of the police!) hartal) on the Town Hall. Be-It is noteworthy that the ranks cause of this the Council has been of the police were on the whole suspended by the Government. sympathetic and did not do much The Moratuwa Urban Council, shooting. The shooting was done which is Samasamajist controlled, principally by the police officers also participated in the hartal by and by the military. It is also closing its office and suspending

noteworthy that militant mass work on that day. action took place only in the On the 18th, the House of

Representatives in an all-night sitting passed a new Public Security Act giving even wider powers to the Government, principally to detain people without trial, to utilize all special powers if an emergency is even expected.

GOVERNMENT REPRESSIONS abolishing the clause which says Parliament must ratify such ac-

It is clear that the success of tion within 10 days, etc. the strike and hartal, as well as as the greatest surprise to the transport was obstructed by the who had perhaps been themselves cutting of telegraph wires, the deceived by their own propa-

these special powers, regulations the continuation of the Emer-

that it has lost the confidence of and walk home. In one village sure to bear on the Government the people and can continue in (Waskaduwa, in the Panadura by word, action or symbol, power only through such means. electorate) hundreds of people punishable with the same sen- Although sporadic disturbances

punishable by death, etc., etc. The printing presses of the

LSSP and the CP have been Newark Fri. Night

Speaker: MURRY WEISS rill Fernando (Member of Mora-Friday, Sept. 18, at 8:30 at 52 Market Street

Up to now, the national Trot-

Dr. Douglas Courtney, of Philaskyist leaders have not been arrested. This is no doubt due to delphia believes that overem-In a large number of places Government and the bourgeoisie, the fear of the consequences that phasis on the dangers of the might follow if such an action is atomic and hydrogen bombs is taken. However, it is possible endangering the emotional securthat this will follow the passing ity of children and may lead to On the afternoon of the 12th, of the new law referred to above. the development of neurotic fears.

"We can train children to It is perfectly clear that what- leave the school building in the usual fire drill . . . but the atom boogie man that creates terror in the youngster's mind." Experts say ordinary fire drills are of no bombs, and that nothing can



Questions, Discussion, Refreshments **Contribution 25 Cents**

Socialist Forum presents a talk on The East German Uprising and the West **German Elections**

The Negro Struggle -Letter to An Editor

Don't Get Sick in Michigan

By Patricia Stall

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By Jean Blake

The August 15 issue of a leading Negro weekly, the Cleveland Call and Post, concluded an editorial on "The Moral Bankruptcy of South Africa" with the following paragraph:

"Will South Africa be permitted to fester and contaminate the rest of the world as did Hitler? Or, will the United Nations, supported by the great powers, be empowered to end this 'tragic-comedy' before it becomes a world drama?"

We'd like to ask the editor who wrote that: Are you serious? Do you really think the main danger of spreading racial discrimination throughout the world, even in places not already diseased, comes from South Africa? Isn't there a more powerful nation — the most powerful — that has already done more than South Africa in that respect? Wasn't it the U.S. Army, if you please, that brought Jim Crow to Europe during World War II?

And to which "great powers" in the United Nations would you entrust the ending of this "tragic-comedy"? Britain, with its brutal, counter-revolutionary policy in Kenya? France, with its vicious and predatory treatment of natives of Indo-China and Morocco? Or the great "leader" of the United Nations and the "free world" without whose aid neither Britain nor France could continue the fight to the death to exploit all colonial peoples?

In your own paper, Mr. Editor, which I read with great interest, in the same issue as your amazing editorial, here are a few current events noted in the nation that remains the "great white hope" of the imperialist world:

"ITALY, Texas - Something new in methods of segregation was introduced

The moral of this story is: Don't get

sick. At least not in Michigan and definite-

ly not this year. But if you're determined

to have a ruptured appendix or pneumonia

or a baby or just grow old, here is what

you can look forward to - overcrowded,

understaffed hospitals and "nursing

homes," many of which lack necessary

facilities for proper treatment and even

involved. General hospitals are so over-

crowded that patients are forced to leave

after staying only short periods. Convales-

cent care is considered to be "trouble-

some" by hospital administrators and they

in jails. There is no room for them in

be taken care of properly. The lucky few

get into state institutions but most are

pushed into "hospitals" that crowd five

Children in need of mental care are kept

And there is no place for old people to

All age groups, all types of care are

proper fire protection.

"want no part of it."

mental institutions.

here last Monday night when Negroes were given their own city hall, their own mayor and their own city council. . . . "

"WASHINGTON - The 83rd Congress closed its first session here this week without having enacted a single civil rights **Indictment of** measure. . . .

"SPRINGFIELD (Ohio) — Although the family of Lawrence Neal, 25-year-old McCarthy veteran convicted of rape of a 68-year-old white woman insist they told the truth in establishing an alibi for the accused man, most of the relatives remain in jail pending court action on charges of perjury this week. . . . '

evasion and other charges raised The place to look for a solution to the in the semi-suppressed report of problem of South Africa is not the UN, the Senate Privileges and Elec-Mr. Editor. The place to look is to South tions subcommittee on Jan. 2. African labor. Attorneys for the Justice De-

partment, according to a North In the same issue of your paper was American Newspaper Alliance disan NNPA story from Cape Town: "South patch from Washington on Sept. African Labor Minister Schoeman last 5, have made a seven-month study Wednesday said it would be 'race suicide' of McCarthy's tangled and obto give incentive to the 1,000,000 Africans scure financial dealings as disin industry and commerce to form trade closed in the Senate report. The Senate subcommittee had uncovunions." ered documents very damaging to

Schoeman was speaking on the Native McCarthy and raised the question Labor Bill which would make permanent of whether he had used his position for personal gain, "peddled" a "wartime measure" banning native his influence, violated election strikes. laws and misappropriated for his

You may not know it, Mr. Editor, but own use cash he had solicited for Premier Malan knows that the solution this "anti-Communist" activities. The administration lawyers, in to the problem of exploitation and the their report, do not dispute the racial segregation which supports it lies accuracy of the Senate subcomwith South African labor.

mittee's factual findings. They do Look to the native workers, not to the not deny the shady nature of his UN. and support them in their struggle financial manipulations. They if you want to see the viciousness and demerely contend there is no legal basis for indicting the Wisconsin generacy of capitalism in its death agony witch-hunter. According to their wiped out.

quirements of the law.

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Govt. Ducks

The Department of Justice is

laying the basis for a refusal to

indict and prosecute Senator Jo-

seph McCarthy for fraud, bribery,

election law violations, income tax

On the charge of income-tax

issued no findings on the ground than kicking them out into the alleys to that this is in the province of the forage for themselves among the garbage Internal Revenue Service of the

Although Detroit hospitals gladly accept

tion.

however.

public donations from anyone through different charity drives, they are not willing to extend their services to anyone. Discriminatory practices against Negroes are a well-known fact both among patients and doctors.

Much is said but little is done about these same special accounts for these conditions. The "facts" are "deplored"; the situation is termed "regrettable" and the newspapers say "something must be done."

The responsibility for correcting exist- NO COMPLAINING WITNESS ing abuses is shifted from state to county to city to private operator. Only recently an important step forward in hospital regulation was killed in legislative committee. be involved in fraud and embez- Americans for Democratic Ac- family living under the worst This was a bill designed to set up minimum zlement. An indictment on such vate.

While these facts about conditions in

THE MILITANT

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1953

STRIKE

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Tell AT&T: "Wrong Number!"

Long-lines telephone operators, members of CIO Communications Workers, picket Baltimore exchange in one-day local strike to pressure American Telephone and Telegraph monopoly in stalled negotiations. A national settlement was finally reached. The union charged National Guard intervention in Maryland.

STRIKE

TIME STATE



DETROIT, Sept. 3 - A well-attended tenants meeting, called last night by Mr. Paul Dennie at the Teamsters Hall, 2741 Trumbul, heard addresses by candidates

> the program of the Socialist Workers Party, he said, "only trade unions, tenants councils and Negro people of this city can call the greedy landlords and their

tenants beyond

He cited the typical case of a

'Wildcat' Flares At Lackawanna Bethlehem Plant

BUFFALO, Sept. 5 - A great "wild cat" strike, hitting intermittently in a series of departments as different sections of the workers became aroused and angry, has all but shut down the Bethlehem

Steel Plant in Lackawanna, one of the biggest steel plants in the country. Beginning in the coke strike. The company provocations ovens on the morning of Aug. 31 and newspaper statements are over the company's elimination of playing a major role in keeping certain jobs and addition of work, the strike took three more days to reach the neighboring blast furnaces. Then in a matter of hours, the open hearths and a whole series of shops and mills went down.

At a meeting of CIO Steelworkers Local 2601 on Sept. 3 the coke oven, blast furnace and open hearth men refused to go back to work until the company restored the old set up in the coke

ovens. As the other mills and other locals began to support this action, the company retaliated Friday night with full-page ads in the Buffalo newspapers, appealing to the "public" against Having plowed back into the its employees and especially against the "few" who "started" it all. This is viewed as a veiled threat to discharge the best stewards.

COMPANY ARROGANT

In an open letter to Joseph P. Molony, the union's N. Y. State District Director, the company arrogantly demanded, among other things, that "the union also advise the employees that if they do not return as directed, they will be subject to suspension or expulsion from the union and discharged by the company." To this, Molony replied that

although the International Union had not sanctioned the strike, "Your astounding proposal that I staff members, probably including threaten our members with director Molony, may again suspension or expulsion from the attempt to persuade the workunion, stems no doubt from ers to return to work. But the unfamiliarity with the Constitu- workers are in a stubborn mood. tion of the United Steelworkers Grievances have been piling up. of America. Please be informed that I am without authority to to those of other departments. In threaten any member with suspen. spite of artificial divisions which sion or expulsion, and furthermore the company tries to foster, the it would be distasteful to me per- fundamental common cause of the sonally, to threaten any man with workers tends to assert itself. the loss of his livelihood. For- The company has no doubt seized tunately for all of us there is no this opportunity, as it thinks, to authority vested in your company,

the workers out. The company, of course, expects to dis-unite the workers by its present strategy. But the company may find it has overreached itself and actually aroused more union spirit. There has already been more militant action at the plant gates than in the last two "authorized" strikes put together, more rankand-file leadership, more determination expressed. The company has been handing out sugar-coated poison pills about

This is the longest the basic

part of the plant has ever been

shut down in an "unauthorized"

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rs by mechanical improvements, business a large portion of the surplus millions the workers produced, the company now tells them it has "improved its competitive position" and when

companies. But the Lackawanna workers are uninterested in such phony speedup economics and will not swallow such poisoned

promises. Another meeting of Local 2601 is being held Sept. 8. USA-CIO The coke oven grievance is similar housebreak the union. But its my union, or even our govern- main accomplishment will be to

in the coming city election and P cret bank deposits by McCarthy chairman of the new organiza- force rents down. Recommending

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STRIKE

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Among the speakers were two candidate, spoke on the housing issue. James H. Lincoln, the

paign. baiting campaign. Three candidates for Common

However, it is the contention of the Justice Department's legal lights that to have violated the law McCarthy would have had to

dough to McCarthy are still his the state legislature.

NOT THEIR PROVINCE evasion, the Justice Department

Freasury Department.

The Senate subcommittee revelations of numerous and large sebetween 1950 and 1952 are not tion.

challenged. He made these when he was appealing for funds for an "anti-Communist" crusade. He Lovell, Socialist Workers Party made numerous withdrawals from

soybean speculation, for payment spoke, talking about his camof his income taxes and other personal items unrelated to his red-

> Council spoke. They were Dr. Orvil F. Linck, State Senator Charles S. Blondy, and James S. Clarkson. Dr. Linck is professor

standards for all hospitals, public and pri- charges requires a complaining with the Democratic Party, is \$20 a week rent. This family was witness and those who gave the now serving his seventh term in evicted by the landlord because work against his will." personal and political Even if he had used for him- Mayor Cobo and his appointee, was granted even though the rent their National Health Service. Twenty mil- self all the money "donated," the Harry J. Durbin, director-secre- was paid in full. After eviction lion people among workers' families are lawyers noted, the recipient of a tary of the Detroit Housing Com- this family found new quarters receiving proper medical treatment for the gift of less than \$3,000 does not mission. He advocated a long- - for \$25 a week. have a tax liability even if the range state and national housing total of many such gifts far exprogram. ceeds the taxable \$3,000 limita-The lawyers also did not see advocated re-assessment as an any evidence of technical violation housing question. immediate and realizable proof the law in McCarthy's accentgram, claiming that a city tax on ance of \$10,000 for a housing pamphlet from the Lustron Corporation, although he had been in position to influence legislarents. tion of advantage to Lustron LOVELL TAKES FLOOR while he was a member of the Senate Banking Committee. The attorneys do not deny the facts, the Tenants Council, and declared program.

organized a Tenants and Housing | that only the organization of such Council. Mr. Dennie was elected councils throughout the city would

mayoralty candidates. Frank united, aggressive action by the Democratic Party candidate, also political agents to order."

Lovell referred to a number of etters received at his campaign headquarters, 6108 Linwood Ave., since his candidacy was announced Letters coming from show that rents are the reach of working of English at Wayne University people.

tion. Senator Blondy, identified slum conditions, forced to pay they complained to the health Professor Linck denounced the department about the conditions Big Business administration of of the house. The eviction order Lovell said that if he were elected mayor his first act would Senator Blondy, sensing the be to summon a conference of militant temper of his audience, organized labor, tenants councalled for immediate action. He cils, and representatives of the Negro community to deal with the He declared it was the aim of ncome property based upon the the Socialist Workers Party to present sky-high rents would drive the bankers and real estate force the landlords to reduce profiteers from City Hall; institute rent controls strictly enforced by neighborhood tenant councils; stop all evictions; build Frank Lovell congratulated the new homes; and tax the corporaaudience upon the formation of tions to finance the home-building

ment, which can force a man to arouse the best fighting instincts of the workers.

SUGAR-COATED PILLS "creating" jobs for the work-

'demand for steel slackens off," i.e., in a depression, Bethelehem's Lackawanna Plant, being more efficient, will provide "more stable employment" for its employees. They only ask the employees to join the company in attaining direct the striking employees to this worthy goal by working just return to work immediately, and a "little bit" harder than the employees in other "less efficient"

beds into 60 square feet—one bed in each corner and a fifth in the center of the room. Patients have to sit next to their beds. They mustn't lie in them during the day because that makes the linen get dirty faster. Their main occupation is staring at the blank walls.

Some are allowed to watch television for a while in a basement or stitch on a rug or sit for a couple of hours in a fenced yard. But, as one official said, the treatment of chronics, mental patients and seniles in Detroit is "just one grade better Michigan were again in the press, Britons | friends. were observing the fifth anniversary of first time under Britain's health plan which is financed by the government and 10% by the users. Even at that, Britain spends only a little over 3% of its gross national income on health.

And in Michigan there are not even adequate provisions for taking care of those who are already very ill.



A CHICAGO JIM CROW FIRETRAP went up in flames and burned 18 Negroes to death. The South Side tenement became a roaring inferno on Labor Day. Within 20 minutes the 1890 vintage building was a charred and smoking grave, according to the Chicago Fire Dept. A fire engine company stationed on the same block got there "too late" although it travelled only 100 yards. The tenement, slated for demolition, was allowed to stand when Congress killed the Federal Housing program one month ago. The building was designed originally to house four families. But 17 families with 150 people lived in it. One of the owners is a wealthy landlord living in California. A spokesman for the Chicago Housing Authority said, "We offered the owners a fair price, but they wouldn't part with it." At the very moment when flames were taking the lives of 18 Negroes, hoodlums in another part of Chicago besieged a Negro family who had moved into a previously all-white project to escape the firetrap, ratinfested slums of the Jim Crow ghetto.

RECORD SPEAKS FOR ITSELF. In his Labor Day speech, Truman said that in the 1952 election campaign "the Republican candidate promised" that the Taft-Hartley Law "was going to be amended 'in a way that would correct its injustices." But, continued Truman, "I haven't read of anything being done along that line, and I've been reading the record." In the 1948 election campaign, the Democratic candidate promised that the Taft-Hartley Law was going to be repealed. But we didn't read of anything being done along that line after the Democratic candidate got in office and we've likewise been reading the record.

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IRRESISTIBLE LAW OF PROFIT MEETS IMMOVABLE FORCE OF LAW. A few weeks ago there was a great to do about enforcing immigration laws and keeping the "wetbacks" (Mexican workers who illegally cross the border to work on the farm sweatshops of the Southwest) out of the country. Attorney General Herbert Brownell declared "that the administration planned positive steps" to stop this influx which reaches 3,000 a day and runs to over a million in one year. On Sept. 6, the N. Y. Time reports, "The Los Angeles Times said today that Vice President Richard M. Nixon was expected to discuss with the Department of Justice soon the possible tempering of the stepped up campaign against illegal immigration from Mexico, in the interests of assuring Southern California farmers of a supply of labor." A cheap supply of labor, that is. * * *

SOMEONE'S GETTING IT. Farm income was down 6% in the first eight months of this year as compared with 1952. Average prices to farmers for their commodities were down 10% but the cash backslide was kept to 6% by the increased volume. At the same time the cost-of-living index as of mid-July was reported to be at an all time high by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. * * *

A POSTAL BAN on Kinsey's statistical report on "Sexual Behaviour in the Human Female' was asked by Representative Heller. A spokesman for the Post Office Department pointed out that there was no legal authority to "police" the mails. Heller then referred the Postmaster General to Section 1461, Title 18 of the United States Code, and proposed that the book be stopped on the grounds that "Every ebscene, lewd, lascivious or filthy book, pamphlet, picture . . . shall be considered nonmailable matter."

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tained a broken cupboard, a like you can." McCARTHY'S ATTACK on James Wechsler, tottering four-burner gas stove, editor of the N. Y. Post, has disturbed the an ancient refrigerator, and a Cleveland Plain Dealer. When the 11-man sub- wash tub.

committee of the American Society of Newspaper Editors' gave a report on McCarthy's witcheat lunch at school. The fourth who have come here in hope of with a militant labor administrahunting investigation of Wechsler and then left it comes home for lunch, which one winning a better life. Who is tion. up to the editors of the press to make up their day consists of a boiled potato responsible for the miserable, own minds on whether freedom of press was and the next of a dish of boiled poverty-ridden conditions that

"nothing has happened."

violated by McCarthy, the Plain Dealer said the rice and a roll. subcommittee's failure to take a forthright stand [. The Corchado's are supported] "smacked of spinelessness." The Cleveland paper by their daughter who works out who profits from these condi- of England in 1685; awaiting the provided aid to 266,421 benefi- month, William "Big Bill" Hutstated where it stood in an editorial Aug. 14: as a lomestic for \$125 a month. tions? We don't have far to seek. axeman he said: "I never could ciaries - miners, working and cheson, president-emeritus of the "The answer to the issue raised by congressional They have been refused aid by For the sweat-shop operators, believe that Providence had sent retired, and their dependents - Carpenters Union who operates investigations of newspapers, it seems to us, is the Welfare Dept. because "they the migration of the Puerto a few men into the world ready from royalties paid by the coal through his son Maurice as the to stand on the First Amendment, refuse to tell us my daughter brought us Rican people means a vast new booted and spurred to ride, and companies. Pensions of \$100 a union's president, brought his answer and fight the case all the way to the here and she must take care of source of "cheap" labor, the kind millions ready saddled and bridled month went to 50,055 aged and union back into the AFL on Supreme Court." us,"

"THE HOUSE I LIVE IN" -- CONDITIONS OF PUERTO I RCANS IN NEW YORK CITY

(Continued from page 1) "We come here, we think this | boost to profits. For the real grandchildren they occupy two is the land of milk and honey," estate sharks it means additional furnished rooms," with the usual Mrs. Corchado told an interpreter. millions of dollars a year in rent broken-down furniture. They are "We find this just like Puerto from the vermin-ridden slum six of 10 adults and 13 children Rico. We are better off in Puerto buildings that should have been cramped into five small rooms. Rico. brought to the ground years ago. They share together a single "There they speak Spanish, they

This gang of parasites will do reeking bathroom and a wretched know everything. Here you are everything in their power to inbroken-down kitchen. Their rent a stranger. Nobody treats you tensify their exploitation of the comes to \$76 a month. The five good or bad. You have money Puerto Rican workers. In their rooms bring in a total rental of and a nice place to live, good. No hands they have a powerful \$268 a month for the landlord. money, no place to live, very bad." weapon, the political machine of Mrs. Corchado showed the Post She described their diet. "We the Republican and Democratic reporter a hole in the wall under buy two bottles of milk, one for parties. one of the windows "where the the morning; we save a little

By their record the men^s of City ed stalling on the long-lines con rats come in." She said that she milk from the night. Sometimes Hall have demonstrated that they tract. The union's contracts now starting between 60 and 65 if they had complained to the landlord we eat only one meal - no break- are the sworn friends of Big cover 257,000 employees of the have worked in the industry durabout rats and roaches, but that fast, no lunch, just supper. Rice Business and the sworn enemies and beans. What can you do? of the Puerto Rican people, and filiate. She showed the "community" When you're poor, you take what for that matter the enemies of all kitchen without comment. It con- is there. You don't cry, you live the working people. For the

Puerto Rican people, for the entire labor movement, the fight for a decent life means the fight



penditures totaling \$138,963,949.they have been trapped into? These words were spoken on 52, with an unexpended balance This can be answered by asking, the scaffold by Richard Rumbold in the fund of \$92,024,732.16. This of labor that gives an unusual to be ridden." retired miners. Hospital and Sept. 3.



Vice presidents of the AFL In-| medical care expenditures alone ternational Longshoremen's Asso- equalled \$56,444,329.78. And you ciation who claim to represent still find some so-called labor some 30,000 members, or half the leaders who foolishly tell the union, in ports outside of New workers that "strikes don't pay." York City, are reported to have

* * * set up the American Federation

The intervention of Dave Beck, of Longshoremen and are seeking a charter from the AFL to dictator-president of the AFL replace the ILA. ILA President | Teamsters, forced the 1,500 strik-Joseph Ryan is under an ulti- ing sand, gravel and concrete matum from the AFL Executive drivers in the New York area Council to clean out his racketeer back to work without a contract and gangster cohorts or have the after their two-months strike. He ILA charter yanked at the ordered them to submit their forthcoming AFL convention. In demands for a 50-cent hourly negotiations with New York dock wage increase to arbitration. The employers last week, Ryan assur- workers had refused to let their ed them there would be no more Local 282 leaders accept any wildcat" strikes. One of the terms without first submitting easons Ryan is being made the them to the union membership for goat for the rotten conditions on approval. They had twice rejected the waterfront is that he hasn't inadequate offers of the conbeen able to deliver for the struction materials companies. posses as he did when the name Beck subsequently sent a letter 'King" Ryan meant unchallenged of praise to reactionary Mayor autocratic rule over the long- Impellitteri who had intervened shoremen.

A national telephone strike of

he long lines operators employed

on behalf of the bosses and had demanded that Beck end the strike.

Harry Lundeberg, secretary-treasurer of the AFL Sailors by the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. was averted when the giant monopoly granted wage Union of the Pacific, crowed increases of \$1.50 to \$3 weekly aloud about the new contract he and other concessions demanded had negotiated because it conby the CIO Communications tained what he claims is "the Workers. Strikes involving more first genuine pension plan in the than 70,000 other phone workers seagoing industry." SUP memsoftened up AT&T after prolong- bers will be eligible for \$65 to Bell System, AT&T's chief af- ing 20 years within the last 25 years, with 200 days of work in any one year or 11 full years of What the United Mine Workers sailing time. The Pacific Maritime Association, representing the gained when they defied Truman's strikebreaking injunctions during The Association pointed out that Three of her four grandchildren life for the Puerto Rican people of City Hall and to replace them can be seen, in part, in the report this was the first time in many ment Fund made public on Sept. the West Coast had failed to win 2. The annual report detailed ex- a general immediate increase in basic wages.

After a walkout of less than a