

It is nearly 11 months since the Korean War ended and the current economic decline began. The second event followed the first as night follows day. Labor organizations estimate today's unemployed at well over 5 million. Millions more have been cut back to part-time with corresponding slashes in take-home pay.

Capitalism, the private profits system, is again proving its inability, short of war, to provide steady employment for the American working people. Only yesterday we were being treated to grandiose theses, printed on the gloss paper of the Luce publications, like Life and Fortune, about the "permanent revolution" in American capitalism which had abolished forever the "old" type of unstable "free enterprise" and given us a "new form, fool-proof and depression-free.

Now government figures show a rise in manufacturing unemployment for the eleventh straight month. And the worst, admittedly, is yet to come. A sharp increase in unemployment is expected as schools and colleges pour out more than a million graduates to compete with the older unemployed for jobs.

The problems of the workers are made all the more pressing because prices continue high, bolstered by government measures and monopoly price-fixing. Workers who lose their jobs, or even suffer a decline in income because of loss of overtime, find it impossible to make both ends meet. In addition, many are heavily in debt for those new homes, autos or TV sets which they were urged to buy on time and now may be taken from them at the first drop in their incomes.

Reports from all over the country indicate the deep anxiety of the workers. Their concern appears much greater than in 1949-50 and 1945-46, during the two previous post-World War II declines. There is good reason for it.

#### **Reasons for Present Anxiety**

In 1945, for instance, there was great war-caused scarcity. The cars on the road were mainly old jalopies. Millions of veterans needed homes as they belatedly married and started to raise families. Many workers had accumulated small nest-eggs because of the wartime scarcities and overtime employment. The workers had hopes that after a limited period of "reconversion" to consumer goods production, work would be available for a while

Even in 1949, when the pickup provided by accumulated demand and scarcities had worn off there was still the hope that a reasonable increase in government spending might prime the pump once more. This spending came, all right, but in the form of war in June 1950. The American people, however, didn't want prosperity bought with the blood of sons, husbands, fathers and brothers.

Now these means for stabilizing the economy no longer seem promising. The Korean War did not end with scarcities but an enormous glut of consumers goods. Anybody who could scrape up the down-payment could possess himself of a TV set, automobile, suits, dresses and kitchen gadgets. The manufacturers began to complain of "top-heavy" inventories.

of the U.S. Department of Commerce notes that the combined fourth quarter of 1953 to \$82 billion in the first quarter of 1954

# Here Are Questions M'Carthy Should Be Made to Answer

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Here are some of the 1,400 jobless workers fed daily at a mission in Sacramento, Calif., where unemployment is critical. This picture was taken by a delegate to an AFL Intl. Association of Machinists conference on unemployment. The mission said that only 50 to 75 were fed daily just two years ago. This is a glaring symbol of capitalism - men who must beg for food in one of the richest food areas in the world.



## Is Eisenhower Worse His Fascist Threat than M'Carthy? Aims Must

By, Murry Weiss Which is the greater danger confronting the American **Be Exposed** working class? The danger of a police state of the type Truman and Eisenhower have been building? Or the danger of a fascist regime from the

direction of the McCarthyites? | greater and McCarthy the lesser danger. The greatest danger to After all, it can be argued, Eisenhower is President and in the American workers is fascism. this post has powers for conduct. The whole political situation in ing the witch hunt that greatly the United States poses the alsurpass McCarthy's powers as ternative: either the workers a Senator. Furthermore, the Eis- will become the political power nhower administration is using or they will be defeated by fashese powers to the hilt and vic- cism. The fascist threat is not some imizing many more people than

thing distant and remote. It is McCarthy can. manifested right now in a grow-In our opinion, it would be ing fascist movement - the Mcrong to conclude from these Carthyite faction in the Repubfacts that Eisenhower is the lican and Democratic parties.

Kutcher Hailed at **Civil Liberties Rally in Buffalo** 

war drive. And therefore they port?" BUFFALO, June 7 - James all want to destroy the capacity utcher, the legless veteran, of the working class of America spoke here Friday night at the to resist the consequences of this largest civil liberties defense drive. The war drive is the source meeting on the Niagara Frontier of the witch hunt - both the in many years. According to an Truman and Eisenhower ediestimate by the Buffalo Evening tions. News, 150 persons attended. The But while McCarthyism has audience was largely composed of this in common with the "old vorkers, students and liberals, line" Republicans and Democrats, eager to help you?" who gathered at the Hotel Statler there are important differences

to hear the story of the Kutcher between them. case and calls for resistance to Truman and Eisenhower have you favored breaking the current the witch hunt. The Empire State been trying to convert the old coal strike by drafting John L. Room of the hotel was fully basic structure of capitalist dem- Lewis and the strikers into the ocracy into a more effective n The meeting was sponsored by chine for the suppression of the for 'insubordination' if they didn't the local Kutcher Civil Rights workers. They want to erase the Committee, composed of promi- threat of working class resiststrikers? nent labor and liberal leaders, ance to their foreign and domes-Among them were Edward 'F. tic program - but they don't Gray, sub-regional director of the want to give up the old political UAW-CIO in this area; Rev. mechanisms from which they de-Robert Adams, pastor of the rive their power. They are try-Salem Evangelical and Reformed ing to make the machinery of Church; Prof. Clyde Summers of (Continued on page 2)

COMMON AIMS

By George Breitman

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JUNE 9 - When Mc-Carthy takes the stand at the Senate hearings, there will be an opportunity to expose his fascist connections, backing, methods and perspectives before millions of people.

If I were a member of the Senate committee, these are some of the questions I would ask him:

"All of the avowed labor-The McCarthyites and the Eishaters, Negro-baiters and anti-Semites in this country, including enhower administration have certain common objectives which Gerald L. K. Smith and Westbrook Pegler, openly endorse you they share with all political wings of the capitalist class. They are and your aims. Why is it that you all committed to Wall Street's have never repudiated their sup-

> "How much money and other material support have your received from the Texan oil millionaires? We know that you voted in favor of the tidelands giveaway program turning billions of dollars of oil over to the states. What other reasons make these readtionary white supremacists se

"When you were first elected to the Senate in 1946, you said Army, and court-martialing them

#### **Need Far-Reaching Measures**

We have every reason, then, not to delude ourselves about the prospects of American capitalism and its ability to "ride out" the current depression - short of war. It should be obvious to every worker that far-reaching measures are needed to protect labor from the ravages of unemployment and to get the kind of economic system that will provide good living and security, chairman of the Council of Econwithout war.

Immediate measures must be taken to slow up layoffs and keep as many workers as possible on the job with no loss of income. The most effective method of keeping the maximum number of workers employed is through the shorter work week and work day, with no reduction in total pay. This demand, in one form or another, has been put to the fore in this period by the AFL, and by CIO unions like the Textile Workers, Packinghouse Workers and Amalgamated Clothing Workers, as well as partments on June 7, as an enkey locals of the United Automobile Workers. We think the couraging sign that the economic most important demand to press is:

For the 30-hour week at 40-hours' pay.

PHONY FIGURES At the same time, the labor movement must combat the notion that the unemployed have to accept a worse standard of iving than the employed, who may be tomorrow's unemployed. We contend that every worker and his family in this rich America are entitled to an income equal to full union wages month. This decline of 160,000 week and who have suffered re- ahead on plant expansion or plans enough to get out of Sunday KP. at all times. Unemployment is not the fault of the workers. for the month, however, "was duced take-home pay. Therefore, we propose:

Unemployment compensation equal to full union-scale take-home wages for the entire period of unemployment.

If private-profit, monopoly-controlled industry cannot provide steady work at decent wages all year around and every year, then it is high time to ensure full-time, full-scale operation of industry by freeing the means of production from the incompetent, profit-greedy capitalists. We urge:

Nationalize the basic industries under the control of the workers.

To win this program requires concerted militant mass action includes labor. Negro and radical by the entire labor movement. The union leaders do not lack publications (both Stalinist and good demands and even radical-sounding programs. They fall anti-Stalinist). short on action. What is needed most imperatively is the mobilization of the whole labor movement for a real fight. This ed that the government strangle calls for:

A Congress of Labor, to be held in Washington, D. C., with rank and file representation from all the unions right ing rights that they share with down to the local level.

·Such a Congress of Labor could set in motion union actions throughout the country - mass meetings, demonstrations, protest stoppages - to put the heat on the capitalists and their political agents for labor's demands. It could do more. It could prepare to place labor and its allies in political power in Washington Business publications. For small where the laws can be made to effect the necessary economic measures to end unemployment. That means:

Build an Independent Labor Party.

# federal, state and local government purchases of goods and services declined from an annual rate of \$85% billion in the fourth guarter of 1953 to \$82 billion in the first guarter of 1954

Contradicting the "chronic" op-More "No Help Wanted" signs | smaller than expected at this | face this year's June graduates time of year and might be more timism of Burns, who is a mouthof high schools and colleges than apparent than real, the Census piece for the Eisenhower adminin any year since the depression Bureau cautioned," according to istration, CIO President Walter Thirties. It is expected that more the June 8 N. Y. Times report. Reuther said that the latest unthan a million youth entering the The "apparent drop," said the employment figures of the govlabor market this month will find Bureau, "could have been due to ernment "can hardly be called the University of Buffalo Law encouraging." He stated in Washsampling variability." no jobs.

Even Dr. Arthur F. Burns, however, continued to go down. It dropped by another 193,000 in

omic Advisers, who describes himself as a "chronic optimist," Bureau, to a total 1,500,000 beconceded on June 8 that unemlow that of May a year ago. ployment in July may approach four million even in the government's own doctored index. recognized that the government Burns tried to interpret the figures falsify the true state of overnment's latest statistics on nemployment, released jointly affairs. Nevertheless, even these figures are the highest official by the Commerce and Labor Destatistics for the number of jobless in any May since the end of World War II. decline is ending and an up-

turn is coming "soon." Labor union officials estimate the number of unemployed at more than 5 million. If anything,

These statistics showed a slight this estimate is conservative. drop in unemployment for May, Moreover, it does not take into from a total of 3,465,000 claim- account the millions of workers ed in April to 3,305,000 last employed less than a full work manufacturers "not to risk going chain heir. He wasn't important

Employment in manufacturing, ington in answer to Burns:

"Unless the administration acts quickly and vigorously to stim-May, according to the Census ulate employment even the official figures will show very sizable additions to the ranks of These figures minimize the the unemployed during the next true situation. It is generally two months as the ending of the troduced Lipsitz. school year increases the number of those looking for work." Other business analysts are

not as optimistic as Burns either. Herbert Koshetz, who writes "The Merchant's Point of View" column in the Sunday N.Y. Times,

"Hear the Story of the Private said on June 6 that "danger sig- Who Didn't Ask for Privileges. nals are flickering on the busi- James Kutcher didn't get extra ness horizon." These stem, he passes or pictures of himself with said from the "instinct of self- the Secretary of the Army. Like preservation" that impels many most of us he'll never be a hotel to increase distribution . . ." (Continued on page 4)

said.

McCARTHY



end their strike. Isn't that still your program for handling AIM: DICTATORSHIP

After McCarthy got done explaining or ducking those questions, I would try to make him tell what kind of political setup he is working to create in this country. I'd ask:

"After Attorney General Brownell accused Truman of 'knowingly' appointing a 'communist spy' to a government post, you said: 'If the Democratic leadership is lying (when it denies knowingly appointing communists), the Democratic Party should be removed from the political stage for all time to come." My question is: Don't you believe a one-party dictatorship, where all parties would be removed from the political stage except the party led by you?"

"You say the Democratic Party is guilty of '20 years of treason.' Since treason is a criminal activity, doesn't this mean you favor suppression of the Democratic Party and arrest of those who support it, including leaders of the labor, liberal and other anti-fascist organizations?

"During these hearings you have spoken about '21 years of treason.' Doesn't this mean you favor prosecution and punishof the anti-McCarthy ment Republicans responsible for the latest year of 'treason,' and wouldn't you try to achieve this main preoccupation is with anti- if you became President?"

"You say you favor wiping out Action, defending the views of the the 'left wing' by any means available. Under the title of 'left wing' you include the N. Y. Times, American, Civil Liberties Union, Americans for Democratic Action, Gen. Marshall, Truman, Rep. St. George told the House Ed Murrow, etc., etc. Is there any organization, person or publication critical of you that is not part of the 'left wing' and that you would not wipe out if you had the power to do it?'

#### LEARNED FROM HITLER

The next thing I'd go into would be the origin and purpose of some of McCarthy's propaganda themes and methods. For example:

"Hitler came to power as fasist dictator by attacking the German republic for '14 years of shame and treason.' Isn't tha where you got the idea for y (Continued on page 3)

### **Bill Threatens Freedom of** Press

begin in Washington on a bill to list would constitute "prima facie loss of its second-class mailing Not even publications whos By John F. Petrone Newspapers and magazines that give the Postmaster General the evidence" that it is unmailable at rights. What paper would be safe if power to withdraw these rights second class rates. Stalinism would be safe. Labor

are critical of McCarthyism today But that's not all. The St. from publications that do not this bill passes - except the Mcstand in danger of government meet the political standards of George bill also would authorize Carthyite press? Shachtmanite Independent Socialsuppression. The list under attack the McCarthyites. Entitled HR action against any publication Certainly not the labor press. ist League, is also on the St

9317, it was introduced by Rep. which "explicitly or by implicaand prepared in cooperation with nomic, international, and govern-

Last August McCarthy demandfice Departments.

General could revoke the rights anti-McCarthyite publications by of certain publications "without canceling the second-class mailprior notice." The publications would have the right to a "hearthe rest of the press. This month the government is rushing action

on a new witch hunt bill to cermanent. comply with McCarthy's demand. Second class mailing rights save millions of dollars for Big

publications, with limited circulation, they usually mean the difference between life and death. In a few days hearings will Control Board's "registration" costs that would result from the liberal members of Congress.

Rep. St. George said that its George list. Katharine St. George (R-N. Y.) tion favors the political, eco-provisions might cover such he Justice. State and Post Of- mental doctrines of communism." Baltimore, an independent anti This provision is broad enough

Under this bill the Postmaster to cover any paper the Postmaster General might dislike. Does a paper support the passage of FEPC legislation, also supported by "communism"? ing" within 30 days to try to Does it advocate higher unemconvince the government the ployment compensation, also adrevocation should not be made vocated by "communism"? Does treatment. it oppose U.S. intervention in the

Inclusion of any publication on Indo-Chinese civil war, also opthe House Un-American Activities posed by "communism"?

communist labor weekly. Certainly the Negro press would not be safe. Rep. St. George magazine, would be unmailable a second class rates under her bill, and that the California Eagle, a

Negro weekly, might get the sam

list or on the Subversive Activities out of business by the higher courts and has the support of House Post Office Committee Washington, D. C.

'LONG FIRST STEP" papers as the Labor Herald of on May 25 that she favors not

only revoking second class rates but barring such papers "from said that Our World, a Negro the mails entirely. . . My bill is

a first step, a long first step. toward excluding this material from the mail." Her bill menaces every labor

and liberal organization and pub-Certainly the liberal press lication in this country. In their would not be safe. The St. George own interest they all should ac' list includes the Lawyers Guild quickly to prevent this "long firs" Committee's notorious "Guide to If it does, then it can be ac-Review, published by the Na-step" to destruction of freedom Subversive Organizations and cused of favoring "by implica- tional Lawyers Guild, whose fight of the press. Protests against this Publications" or on the Attorney tion" the "doctrines of commu- against the Attorney General's move to McCarthyize the Amer-General's arbitrary "subversive" nism," and can be virtually driven "subversive" list is now in the ican press should, be sent to the

#### THE MILITANT

Monday, June 14, 1954

**Total Paid** 

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With a long order for socialist

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\$14,000 Fund Scoreboard

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\$14,000

By Myra Tanner

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# Oldest Battlecry By Joseph Keller

Page Two

Some of the corporations have adopted a "share-the-unem- unemployment and its ravages. ployment" policy. Instead of firing part of the workers and Mass layoffs and continuously keeping the others on full time, these companies have introduced mounting industrial unemploy-"short work weeks." No one gets laid off, but everyone works and urgency to the problem of only four or three days a week, instead of the customary five. security for the workers. The Of course, take-home pay is cut correspondingly 20% or 40%. This shows up in the statistics as "full employment."

In some plants, the workers have accepted this policy because they do not wish to see any of their fellows completely out of work and reduced to the abysmal standards of unemployment compensation. But in the long run, of course, acceptance of this policy, however well motivated, will prove costly. The McDonald of the United Steelemployers will attempt, through rationalization and speedup, workers. to get the same amount of production per worker per week, while paying less weekly wages.

The workers are forced to this expediency, of course, because their union leaders have failed to lead an effective fight Nov. 23, 1953, Militant subjectfor a program designed to meet just such a situation as today's unemployment threat. Throughout the whole history of the and found a number of grave modern industrial working class that fight has centered around defects in it. More recently, the the slogan of the shorter work week and work day.

It may seem a paradox that the answer to the employers' "short work week" is the shorter work week. But it's so. For by carefully noted shortcomings we the work week is meant that period of working time when pointed out in McDonald's scheme straight-time wages are paid. If we have a 40-hour week, then time-and-a-half or double time begins only after 40 hours of work within the regular week. You are still on the 40-hour week, even if you work only 30 hours.

But if you have a 30-hour week, your overtime premium pay begins on the 31st hour. Thus, if an employer works you more than 30 hours, he is required to pay time-and-a-half for the extra hours. This kind of shorter work week the employers have what the plan as such proposes, always fought tooth and nail.

It is customary today to accompany every demand for the shorter work week or work day with a demand for higher wages previous discussion of this quesso that there can be no possibility of any loss of income.

The CIO United Automobile Workers International Ex- ations to provide "all the workecutive Board, under the leadership of UAW and CIO President ers with a full income equal to Walter Reuther, recently attacked the "short work week" in- full-time regular take-home pay froduced by the corporations. But they offered no alternative a 100% vote with both hands to laying off large numbers of workers because they failed to from the workers." propose the traditional shorter work week demand which THE KEY QUESTION organized labor has always supported. Thus, they left the impression that there is something wrong with proposing a out that even the best program shorter work week to keep unemployment down.

At every great historical turning point of American labor, or lose its potential benefits if the demand for the shorter work week and shorter work day has leaders as a substitute for other been inscribed on the unions' battle flags. In 1886, the heroic vital and immediately necessary strikes and demonstrations around May Day which laid the demands, such as hourly wage basis for the modern labor movement were launched with the increases. On the union officials zlogan of the eight-hour day.

Back in 1929, the average straight-time work week in this corporations on other issues in country was 48.3 hours. The ten-hour day still prevailed in steel order to claim a victory on this and other industries. Part of the magnificent accomplishments of and the first and the CIO in its great struggles of the Thirties was the winning to both Reuther and McDonald of the 40-hour week, which was finally established as the legal was: "What are they ready to gether with the actual proposal rational standard. The employers fought this with every weapon give away in order to get it for a guarantee of "40 straight-(GAW)? at their command because they always oppose legal limits on the work week and work day that require the payment of over-

# American Labor's Reuther's Guaranteed Wage Plan

By Art Preis In recent months we have been

hearing a great deal about the Guaranteed Annual Wage program to protect workers against guaranteed annual wage has come into prominence as a possible solution to that problem because it has been taken up and championed by the two top leaders of the CIO, President Walter Reuther of the United Automobile Workers and President David J.

Last fall, McDonald made known his specific plan, which was presented to the Aluminum Corporation of America. The ed this plan to a careful study

in the light of the workers needs proposed auto union plan has

been unveiled. A study of this plan indicates that Reuther has and has attempted in the UAW program to meet these objections At least, he has tried to make it appear that he has met our objections

In reality, Reuther's plan still leaves some vital questions unanswered or ambiguously ans- for a guarantee of wage pay- rates. This plan appears to esbut in what is left unsaid or unclear.

We stated at the start in our tion that a guaranteed annual wage which requires the corpor-

wage rates for every week" for 'up to 52 consecutive weeks of such layoffs." (Our emphasis.) At first glance, it may not employer to lay off workers by be apparent that this declaration requiring the company to concontains in it not merely a guar- tinue the full wage payments antee for the workers but a even if a worker is laid off,

At the same time we pointed are led to this conclusion even more strongly by the statement the continuing wage payments. given in explanation of the plan Why the stress on "40 straightcan be distorted, misapplied

as introduced at the UAW-CIO time hours of work"? Education Conference in Chicago it is "put forward by the union last April. It says at one point: "The UAW's purpose is really the companies if they accede to to develop a Guaranteed Employment plan. We use the phrase will guarantee them that the unguaranteed wage' because it is ion will not demand a shorter may make impermissible and

widely used and understood, work week with no reduction in far-reaching concessions to the But it is not a completely ac- weekly take-home pay, such as

tative" plan states:

work or pay at their regular

curate description of what our the increasingly popular demand mion will propose in collective for the 30-hour week at 40 hours' bargaining." (Original emphasis.) pay. He is guaranteeing the em-And the first question we put

for a shorter work week with no loss in weekly pay.

anteed 40 straight-time hours of for new workers.

WHAT CONCESSIONS?

This is one of the things that

his "guaranteed wage" plan. He

ployers that the UAW will not If we take this statement toask for overtime rates starting after 30 hours in a week, and time hours of work" it becomes six hours in a day. Reuther's plan indicates this apparent that what is being

period of large-scale unemployment and depression of the 1929-39 variety. Reuther's boast of the financial soundness of his plan is based strictly on his belief that there cannot and will not be a deep depression.

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Allentown

ORIGIN OF THE PLAN

Historically, guaranteed annual wage plans stem from the paternalistic schemes cooked up by the employers in the early years of this century to discourage unionism. These schemes were all loaded with gimmicks, principally having to do with denyng immediate gains for the workers in return før an illusory 'security" based on a company 'guarantee." For many years the unions fought such schemes, which always seemed to cost the workers something today and ever gave quite the protection they promised for tomorrow. The guaranteed annual wage dea was introduced as a program for the labor movement by the late CIO President Philip Murray, who put it forward in the 1942 Steelworkers convenion. He held it forth as a promise for the post-war future in return for acceptance of the wage-freeze and speedup sacrifices by the steelworkers during the war

In March 1945, Roosevelt subwhich appears to be its strongest nual wage equivalent to the inmitted Murray's proposal for a point and to meet one of our come the worker would earn in sharpest criticisms of McDonald's 52 weeks based on a 40-hour plan. The latter's proposal called week at present hourly wage wered. This is not so much in ments, for the covered period, tablish the 40-hour week as the sion for "study." The steelwork-Regina writes from Allentown: ers are still awaiting the results "When I last wrote you, I said much needed. equal to only 30 hours straight- continuing norm and assures the that I had hoped to be able to of that "study." It cannot be time per week. Reuther's "ten- employer that there will be no said, however, that Murray and send an additional contribution busy with the final big push in demand for a shorter work week from our branch to the fund. The the fund drive. Minneapolis, New after him McDonald ever pres-"All workers able to work and at higher wage rates to absorb sed very hard on the matter. enclosed \$5 is not quite as much York, Chicago, Los Angeles, available for work will be guar- the unemployed and make room

The proposal was revived by as I had expected but of course Pittsburgh and Akron all stepped McDonald and picked up by Reu- every little bit helps. I know you a little closer to their goals this ther only after the end of the must be feeling anxious about the week. However the big job is

Korean War and the rise of mass completion of the goal. However ahead with one more week to go, If the purpose of the plan i unemployment. They have used if the next two weeks are as as this is being written, and to make it unprofitable for the the guaranteed annual wage too fruitful as the last one it may almost \$1500 to be raised. show that they have some kind still be reached. I hope so. Some of program on the problem of of the branches must have really July plans for Militant mobilizaunemployment. But they have worked hard and made a lot of tions. This is the next big thrust sacrifices to achieve what they at McCarthyism in preparation chiefly, pushed it as a substitute guarantee for the employers. We then it would suffice to include for effective immediate demands did.' in the plan only the matter of

With this note of encourage- paign. The first mobilization to for the shorter work week and as a "long range" perspective ment on the Fund Drive came an extend the circulation of our that seeks to avoid any fight- order for more anti-fascist litera- press is scheduled for sthe ture. Even though the literature weekend of June 20. ing action now. Reuther appears to be offering



| catch any "reds" and "spies" of | thy got his start and began to (Continued from page 1) capitalist democracy do the work his own. All he does is exploit flourish under Truman.

'achievements" of others. Eisen-Stephen A. Mitchell, Demoof fascism. hower publishes his "box score" cratic national chairman, ex-The McCarthyites have a difin the red hunt. Truman boasts: pressed the view that McCarthy erent plan. They are the first "I'm the only man who ever sent is a danger only insofar as the important tendency in American a Communist to, jail." Both Tru- Republican Party permits him to politics to adopt the orientation man and Eisenhower complain be: "Remember," says Mitchell, of shattering the traditional po-

what other concessions will litical structure of capitalism and the number of "McCarthy is nothing himself. Reuther offer? We can't say. replacing it with a fascist dichave the number of "scalps" they licans) do not confer upon him. Reuther offer? We can't say.

have

CIO President Walter Reuther (left) with the late CIO President Philip Murray whom the United Auto Workers leader succeeded. Murray, who also headed the United Steelworkers, introduced the Guaranteed Annual Wage program back in 1942 as a promise to the steelworkers for the post-war future. Reuther is now pressing this program and blocking the demand partially in the very section guaranteed is not only an an-

Anti - McCarthy Campaign News Allentown is really hitting hard | campaign is over Allentown is exin this \$14,000 Fund Drive. The panding its pamphlet sales. comrades there are not satisfied guaranteed annual wage to the with 100% fulfillment of their pamphlets came a \$1 contribution Advisory Board of the Office of fund quota. They are now at the to the fund from Toledo. We War Mobilization and Reconver- 123% mark.

time premium wage rates.

as they used to, and let the rest of the workers starve. But the steady reduction of the work week and work day, fortified by overtime rates, has served to safeguard labor from the most brutal exploitation by the capitalist class brutal exploitation by the capitalist class.

We are entering a period that will mark a new turning point for labor. Once more the workers are threatened with unemployment while the employers seek to break down the standards could say that he really enjoys his work. For most workers gained in decades of struggle, including overtime and premium it's the same deadly routine of putting in a hard day of pay based on the limited work week and work day. And once dreary, boring drudgery. The more the slogan of the shorter work week - now embodied in the minutes drag like hours and the turned out a machine tool as long demand for the 30-hour week at 40 hours' pay - is rising as a days like weeks. The worker as a football field. It's operated rallying cry of the labor movement.

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# If it were not for the overtime rate restriction, the employers Automation: Threat or would be working part of the workers 10, 12 and 14 hours a day,

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counts off the hours to quitting by just one man and it can turn time, and the number of days to out engine blocks at a pace that go to the end of the week. And formerly required 35 to 75 men, is he does it he jokes bitterly depending on how fast they were about how he wishes away his speeded up.

ife wishing away each work FLY IN OINTMENT

Of course I realize there's a These thoughts have been mighty big fly in the ointment. unning through my mind while And that is the fact that under reading several of the many articles that are now appearing our present capitalist system automation looms not as a glorious on automation - the manufacturpromise but as a terribly sinister electronically controlled and threat. To the degree that the job opportunities to allow for crisis of the democratic rule of operated machine can do the job capitalists do develop automation the hiring of new young work- capitalism. On the one hand the as a gigantic labor saving device of literally thousands of men in it spells for the workers replaced single plant. While a lack of technical by it only the "leisure" of the

knowledge made it difficult for breadline.

Negotiations on the UAW It seems to me that more than me to understand the scientific almost anything else this drives guaranteed wage won't begin problems involved in automation. one central idea was certainly home the complete irrationality until, the middle of 1955. They lear to me. One of man's most of the system we live under. can drag on for months. Since

cherished dreams is now being When an almost inconceivable this is a "tentative" plan, we emonstrated as completely prac- advance in technology - one may assume that it can and in capable of freeing man from all likelihood will be modified in ical and realizable. hateful work - can present itself negotiations. It may look good

FOR THE FIRST TIME only as a frightful, hardshipnow in comparison to McDonald's With the full automation of in- breeding Frankenstein's monster, plan - certainly not a high lustry man can escape from a then it's time to do something standard to go by. But how will world where the bulk of his life about it. it look when Reuther shaves it all around to make it more ac- rights of the masses. In that way The only thing that turns autonust be devoted to unceasing toil o a world where machinery can mation from a promise to a threat ceptable to the bosses? to that work for him. A world is the wage and profit system

ONE BASIC FLAW where for the first time in his- where dollar-hungry bosses can There is one fundamental flaw tory man can have the leisure to use the new machines to throw

in every guaranteed annual wage He has spearheaded the organienjoy and use fruitfully his short workers into the street. But if that profit system is eliminated plan that has ever been fostered zation of a fascist movement stay on this earth. and Reuther's is no exception. which aims at destroying the All of this is no pipe dream. and replaced by a planned so-Automation is well past the blue cialist system of production for They are guaranteed only up to Democratic and Republican parprint stage. The Ford Motor Com- use, a system where only the the limit of certain specific funds. ties and establishing a fascist whole of society profits from Reuther's plan does provide for dictatorship. But he has also pany, to take one important explayed the role of witch-hunterample, has already built an labor-saving devices, then the better financing than McDonald's plant at great promise of automation will and some others. But it is no in-chief in both the Truman and automation - operated different in principle, in the final Eisenhower administrations. Brookpark, Cleveland. be realized.

acute problem.

I think the majority of the analysis. It would set up a spe-The two functions are inter-It is reported to be a factory working people have a sufficiently cial fund and if and when that related. It is because McCarthy run largely by electronic "brains" and mechanical "hands" that strong dislike for unpleasant, fund becomes exhausted, the is a fascist that he is so success turns out complete auto engines needless work (or the alternative guarantee folds up too. ful in calling the tune for the Reuther's guaranteed annual witch hunt as a whole. and uses so few production work- of unemployment) to come to the McCarthy's opponents in the ers that even the button pushers realization of the need for a so- wage plan would at best func-

cialist society that will fulfill the tion only if unemployment re- Republican administration and are practically out of a job. tremendous potentiality of auto- mains fairly limited. But it would among the liberal Democrats One of the major manufacturers break down completely in any complain that McCarthy doesn't automation equipment has mation.

But this is big enough. A large tatorship molded along the essection of the American unions, sential lines of the "experiments" including several leading CIO in- of Mussolini, Hitler and Franco. ternationals, have raised the de-The American fascists, like mand for the shorter work week. their European predecessors, are

The whole AFL is on record to not content with using the existseek the 30-hour week at 40 ing machinery of the state to hours' pay. In fact, this was a merely suppress the working key plank in the program of class. The fascists want to utter-

the UAW itself until it was ly destroy all working class or-I don't think I have ever met a factory worker who quietly buried in recent years ganizations. For this they must although it has never been re- dismantle all the traditional dem- gets the "credit"? McCarthy, that on Feb. 2 the Senate voted pudiated or withdrawn by any ocratic forms of the capitalist UAW convention. state.

This difference between A "guaranteed annual wage" th plan which obstructs the way Truman-Eisenhower type of po- INTERTWINED for the shorter work-week with lice-staters and the McCarthyite no loss of weekly pay and is not fascists must be correctly underaccompanied by such a contract stood if the working class is to succeed in defeating both. provision, fails to meet the most

pressing and immediate aspect of LESSONS OF EUROPE the problem of unemployment.

The European experience show-It fails to provide for the union ed the inter-relation as well as the men and women already laid off. More than 10% of the UAW differences between the tenden- are so closely intertwined that it a fascist machine. It will take members, for instance, are laid cies towards a police state and a off right now. There is nothing fascist movement.

By its very nature fascism in Reuther's plan covering them. There is nothing in it to expand plays a dual role in the period of ers. The plan is offered, in fact, fascists seek to destroy the "parliamentary system" and on the as a substitute — indeed, an evais false to counterpose an imsion - of this immediate and other hand they work within it, acting as the driving force in the

danger. the old structure.

#### Before the capitalists turn to DISTORTIONS

the fascists for salvation they try to use the old state apparatus to destroy the workers' capacity to struggle. During such periods the ficials and the Stalinists, introthey prepare for their own seizure of power.

McCarthy plays this fascist double role in American politics.

be "credited" with Oppenheim- control his methods any time they r's "scalp"? McCarthy had only choose to do so." In the first place Mitchell tells to charge that there was a "treasonous" 18-month delay in a barefaced lie. Both the Demoouilding the H-Bomb and the crats and Republicans "confer"

administration promptly handed power on McCarthy and vote him his funds. Has Mitchell forgotten him Oppenheimer's head. Who

and the administration. and the Eisenhower witch hunt machine in the United States -

is often impossible to distinguish more than the capitalist party where one begins and the other leaders to destroy that machine. ends. Every blow we strike at THE BIG QUESTION

As long as the workers permit be staffed by Republicans or camp will replace the present regime? The working class or the capitalist-backed fascists?

The Democratic liberals, fol-The decision rests with the lowed by the reformist labor of workers. They have enough power to settle the issue in their own fascists don't wait on the side- duce a grotesque distortion into favor. Once the workers mobilize lines. They act as a whip to the the question of the "main dan- their own independent political capitalist regime, spurring it on ger." They say that because Mc- power in a Labor Party they will to greater and greater encroach- Carthy is the main danger, there- win the undisputed leadership of ments against the democratic fore the workers must support the overwhelming majority of the the "democratic" capitalist par- people in the United States. The ties and above all the Democratic defensive fight against the witch Party itself. The liberals imply hunt will then pass over to the that the Democrats would do offensive against the capitalist

better than Eisenhower in fight- system, the author of witch hunts, ing McCarthy. But they neglect imperialist wars, depressions and to explain why and how McCar- fascism.



They gave him his chairmanship. They voted him his funds. And, The complaint is beside the point. Who, for example, should they can withdraw his power or

who cracked the whip? Or Eisenhower, who jumped and ordered tions? Oppenheimer's victimization? But aside from this, there is a dangerous fallacy in Mitchell's point. It is true that McCarthy This one episode illustrates the owes a lot of his power to the essential mechanics of the witch Democrats and Republicans. But hunt today and the respective McCarthy's machine cannot be

roles of the McCarthyite fascists broken by a mere decision of the Republican high command. Mc-Thus the McCarthy witch hunt Carthy represents a new political

Easenhower's witch hunt is a blow against McCarthyism, and

every blow we strike against Mc- capitalism to continue, the fascist Carthyism weakens the Eisen- danger increases. The existing hower witch hunt. That's why it regime of capitalism, whether it mediate Eisenhower danger to Democrats, is slated to go. The process of police statification of an allegedly remote McCarthy question of questions is: which



### **Guatemala's Real Enemy**

The mighty U.S. government is threatening and terrorizing Guatemala (population: 2,-890,000) with the most benevolent of motives, according to the State Department. It is not, as some suspicious elements insinuate, because Guatemala has taken back uncultivated land from the United Fruit Company, a U.S. corporation notorious for its brutal, avaricious policies in Central America. Wall Street's government just wants to save Guatemala from the Russians.

Mealy-mouthed liberals shake their heads dolefully at the blockheaded incapacity of the Guatemalans to understand the mortal peril they are in - from the Soviet Union. Max Lerner, columnist of the liberal N. Y. Post, writes from Guatemala an "impartial" diagnosis of Guatemala that bemoans the strange aberration of the Guatemalans, their inability to see the menace — of Russia.

"Russia?" the average Guatemalan worker and peasant, who doesn't know much about geography, might ask: "What is this Russia you're talking about? All we know is that we need decent living conditions. The United Fruit Co. came down here a long time ago and grabbed hundreds of thousands of acres. It has been exploiting us at starvation wages in the banana industry. It has bought up our governments. And the U.S. has threatened us with intervention every time we've tried to free ourselves from this United Fruit bloodsucker."

He might add further: "This Russia — it doesn't demand that we pay a fantastic sum of money to the United Fruit Co. for jungle land we want to cultivate and the U.S. company is not using. It's not this Russia which

sends B-36 bombers to make a threatening display in Nicaragua right on our border. And we find it very strange that the U.S. State Department shouts the loudest about a Russia that has never bothered us just when this same State Department itself hands us the robber claim of the United Fruit Company."

The Guatemalan people can scarcely be blamed if they don't jump at a phantom enemy while the real enemy they've known all along openly threatens them with a mailed fist. Even Honduras, which is being incited by Washington to war against Guatemala, feels resentful of U.S. pressure. The Consul General of Honduras in NewYork wrote a letter to the N. Y. Times, published May 22, giving a hint of what U.S. imperialism has meant in Latin America.

He complains how foreign (U.S.) interests have exploited his country with the result that a laborer who earned \$1.25 to \$1.50 a day in 1932 and paid 12 cents a pound for coffee, 6 cents for rice or beans and bought "the machete to cut bananas for 88 cents," now earns \$1.68 per day and pays respectively for the same commodities 90 cents, 25 cents and

The Honduran consul concludes pointedly: "To protect such interests [including United] Fruit] was the reason why marines were landed in the early Twenties by the democratic government of the United States of America. . .' That's the testimony of 'a military ally of Washington. It affirms that U.S. intervention anywhere in Latin America is and has always been nothing but robbery backed up with a gun.

of 500 planes for an air-strike on the Indo-Chinese army then besieging Dienbienphu. Ground troops would have inevitably fol- stemming from a certain knowllowed

Although the administration had to postpone its plans at that time, it continues to push actively for military involvement in the Indo-Chinese war. It is determined to ride rough-shod over the headed by Ho Chi Minh.

overwhelming majority of the of the urban middle-class — dates

the government of the Vietminh of the French which marked the opening of the war.



#### Quit Persecuting Carl Skoglund !

Once upon a time Ellis Island was the port of entry for millions of oppressed people who came to this country to escape tyranny. It was a reception center for the downtrodden workers and peasants of the "old countries" who dreamed of making a new life for themselves in the great democracy of the United States.

Today Ellis Island is something different. This little island off Manhattan has become a stockade where victims of the witch hunt, who were not "fortunate" enough to be born in the United States are held under lock and key until they can be "sent back to where they came from.'

Carl Skoglund, lumber worker, railroad man, truck driver and union leader - a veteran fighter for labor — is incarcerated on Ellis Island today. For 13 years Skoglund has been

qualities in the working class. He never went to the great universities of this country. He was too busy chopping down trees and delivering coal. But he is self educated, like many workers. Carl Skoglund's interests are wide. He is absorbed in astronomy as well as the fate of humanity. Skoglund is a successful man - if you measure the success of an individual by the contributions he has made to society. He belongs to that group of men and women •who pioneered and founded the modern American labor movement.

He was a leader of the heroic struggles of the Minneapolis truck drivers during the Thirties. These struggles have entered into the history of the United States as a vital force in transforming the lives of millions -- from the status of corporation slaves to the organized working class capable of leading Chaula Nonrooc Stick to Domocratic Darty ?

This was revealed June 6 by the the French negotiators at the mine their own fate? Why has pendence would inspire the free but in reality are dominated Washington Post and Times Geneva conference, who have Herald. The newspaper stated turned down Vietminhese pro- Truman and Eisenhower - given French empire in Africa and the power of American capital. that President Eisenhower had posals to settle the war by means its support to the French? planned to ask Congress to of a popular vote in Indo-China The French are fighting for battles. French imperialism looks send a mass bombing expedition supervised by the opposing sides. empire and nothing else. This upon Indo-China as the key to The French refusal has been was admitted by French Premier retaining the rest of its empire. repeatedly cited by the N. Y. Ramadier in 1947. In an attempt Times and the Herald-Tribune as to justify the war in Indo-China its part backs the French and is he declared that "in the middle planning full scale intervention

edge that the Vietminh would win of the 20th century, a nation of in Indo-China for essentially the such an election hands down. traditional size is condemned to same imperialistic motives. The be a satellite unless it becomes POPULAR SUPPORT .

from workers, peasants and most Indo-Chinese people who support back to 1946, prior to the attack

The popularity of the Vietminh Why then have the French beer

headed by a Truman or an Eisenthe center of its own constella-The popular support for the tion." In other words, Ramadier hower -----follows the dictates and Vietminh movement - coming stated that, despite the will of the serves the needs of the ruling Indo-Chinese people to be indecapitalist class in this country pendent, he would hang on to Indo-China so that France could continue to be a first-rate power However, considerations of prestige are not the main reason

for French insistence on maintaining Indo-China as a colony Something more tangible is at stake. Prior to World War II ndo-China as a tight preserve for the French capitalists. They maintained a monopoly of invest

ments for French capital. All rubber plantations were owned by French capitalists. So were the coal mines, the railroads, and so were a million acres of rice plantations in Cochin China, which the French landlords operated on

a share-cropping basis. harge?" The wages of the Indo-Chinese workers in the mines and on the plantations was estimated at onethirteenth of those paid in France This extremely low wage - level provided the French bankers, landlords and industrialists with a rich source of profits at a far higher rate than they could Hitler's success?" obtain in France.

TORE UP AGREEMENT tained these favorable conditions government departments which he for themselves through the period used to demoralize and blackmail of the Japanese occupation, when his opponents in the government. the French administrators co- Are your fascist underground operated with the Japanese. The cells based on Hitler's example?" whole pattern of colonial rule FASCIST NETWORK

was broken up only in 1945 upon the withdrawal of the Japanese when the nationalist movement politically speaking, and his weak surged forward and took over all of Vietnam. The French imperialists negotiated with this movement only until it was able to rebuild its military forces in idea. The members of the Senate the country. The French then proceeded to tear up an agreement that they had already concluded with the Vietminhese. Thus French imperialism went to war right inside the state apparatus. in an attempt to re-establish its But I'd hammer away at it: former rule.

"Remember that you're under The French government was all oath and can be cited for con

into war in Indo-China last April. has been taken into account by the Indo-Chinese people to deter- Indo-China for national inde- Latin America, who are nominally the U.S. government — under colonial masses in the rest of the to one degree or another by the Near East to launch similar

Furthermore, American capital needs constantly to expand. It needs the entire world as its arena for profit-making. But the unfolding revolutionary movements for national independence and social and economic change in the colonies undermine the possibilities of that expansion. That is why the government of the United States — as the ervant of Big Business - has set ts face against these revolutions and aims to crush them.

U.S. GOVT. FEARS The nakedly imperialist aim of In the interest of preserving the French government has won the profit system and the wealth the hatred of the French working of the billionaire families that people for the Indo-Chinese war. rule America, the U.S. govern-They call it "the dirty war." and ment is committed to preserve the want to bring it to a close. That imperialist structure throughout is the label that the American the world. If Indo-China becomes workers also should paste on the the French held the markets of genuinely independent, then not war, as they demand that the only the rest of the French United States government get out empire, but the countries of the and stay out of Indo-China and British empire will move to na- deny all further aid to the French.

The American government for

American government - whether

## . Queries of M'Carthy

| tempt if you refuse to answer. (Continued from page 1) '20 or 21 years of treason' It's supposed to be illegal to steal secret government documents, to

"Hitler came to power by accept them or to divulge them. blaming 'Bolshevism' and 'a stab If an alleged 'communist' did this, in the back' for Germany's post- he'd never escape jail. You yourwar difficulties. Aren't you blam- self pilloried a scientist at Fort ing America's social, economic Monmouth as a spy because he and political problems on 'com- took home some documents to munism' and 'a stab in the back' work on in connection with his because you hope to imitate job, and you got him fired. Are you going to tell us the name of "Hitler came to power by your underground agent who building secret underground cells Intelligence — or are you going

tend to incriminate you? "How many secret cells," composed of government employees whose first loyalty is to Mc-Carthyism, are there in the These underground cells are Army? In the State Department? both McCarthy's strong point, In the Central Intelligence Agency? Who are their leaders? point, legally speaking, and I How do they transmit informawouldn't confine questions about tion to you? How many high govthem merely to where he got the ernment officials have you intimidated, silenced or coerced committee have barely touched into cooperation with this inon this issue, which goes to the formation - as you succeeded heart of McCarthyism and reveals for a time in doing with Secretary the building of a fascist network of the Army Stevens?"

WHY HE FEELS SAFE

I'd also take the opportunity to bring out the political reasons or McCarthy's arrogance and ocksureness:

"Why do you defy the administration to indict you for

fighting moves to deport him to his native Sweden. Carl Skoglund figures that he gave 43 years of hard labor to the United States. He worked for the robber barons who appropriated the wealth he and tens of millions of others produced. His "crime" in the eyes of the witch hunters is his belief that there can and must be a better way for the workers to live.

A short distance from Ellis Island stands the Statue of Liberty. Skoglund can see it from where he is locked up, Does he perhaps recall the first time he and others like him saw the Statue of Liberty 43 years ago? What did he think then, and what does he think now?

Those who know Carl Skoglund know him to be the incarnation of the best instincts and

'It's not illegal to be a "communist," let alone a "Fifth Amendment communist." It's not illegal for a "communist" to work in industry. But the McCarthyites want the plants purged of all workers who dare to resist the drive to a police state.

Roy Cohn, chief counsel for the McCarthy committee, announced on June 2 that when the committee resumes its regular hearings it will investigate "communists" in defense plants. "The way to get results," he stated, "is to hold our hearings, get these people in public session, have them claim the Fifth Amendment, have the witnesses name them as Communists, have them fired from the defense plants." All slick and neat. A perfect formula for frameup.

Those to be dealt with in this summary manner are union militants. The objective is to get rid of these bolder spirits in the ranks of labor, turn the unions themselves to the task of witch hunting and create an atmosphere favorable to the building of fascist machines that can eventually be hurled against the labor movement.

What are the labor leaders going to do about this proposed attack on their members? Will they aid McCarthy's committee? Will they stand idly by? Will they wail about McCarthy's methods but rush to cooperate with the Defense Department or the FBI as an alternate method of hounding good unionists out of the plants?

If they follow any of these three lines of conduct, they will open the door of the labor movement wide to McCarthy's further onslaughts. There is no way of diverting Mc-Carthy from an attack on the unions either by indifference, active cooperation or by help-

America to a new era of progress democracy.

What's this man doing on Ellis Island? What kind of a reward is that for a man who has given a lifetime to the cause of the working people? Why are the crooks and moneyed scoundrels and the Hell Bomb madmen free while Carl Skoglund is imprisoned on Ellis Island?

It isn't right. And if you want to do something about it, send money right away to the committee that is working to save Carl Skogjund from deportation and get him released from Ellis Island. Its address is Civil Rights Defense Committee, 19 W. 10th St., New York 3, N.Y.

### Frameup in the Plants

ing the witch hunt drive in another form in ists have published a draft prothe hope of "outflanking" McCarthy. For gram, "The American Way to McCarthy's aim as a fascist is to smash the Jobs, Peace and Democracy," unions, and witch hunting is designed to soften all the way back to-"Browderthem up.

McCarthy's enmity to the unions is a matter of public record. In 1946, shortly after he was elected to the Senate he declared in a press interview that the government ought to end March 29, May 3, May 10). Here the coal strike by drafting the striking miners we want to deal only with the and court-martialing them for "insubordina- perspective that the Stalinists tion" if they still refused to mine coal.

Thus the N. Y. Times quoted McCarthy a the time: ". . . the President should use his powers to immediately draft John L. Lewis into the armed services. Lowis should be directed to order his miners to mine coal. If he does not do that, he should be court-martialed. . . If subordinates of Lewis fail to labor vote) but its. Southern order the miners back, they should be courtmartialed."

Here is McCarthy's "real program, which he tion. There is a division of labor between the two wings, and hopes to realize by means of the witch hunt.

McCarthy can't be diverted from his goal. But he can be defeated if he is met head on. The union leaders must defy McCarthy. They must announce that they will defend their members from frameup and firings whether conducted by the McCarthy committee or any specifically endorse the right of their members tion. to resort to the Fifth Amendment and encourage its use. They must direct their members not to cooperate with the McCarthy committee in any way.

And they must teach their members the danger that witch hunting and McCarthyism represent to the life of the union movement.

Should megroes slick to remotivity run

By Fred Hart At the end of World War II Party. Yet that is what the Stalinists the leadership of the Communist cry against the policy of class costs.

6,447,410 outstanding shares of common stock.

collaboration and revisionism PERRY'S FEARS

Riding same train, but different cars, Pres. William White

(left) of the N. Y. Central and financier Robert Young (right)

on way to stockholders' meeting to decide control of the \$2.6

billion railroad. White represents Wall Street interests, in-

cluding the Morgans. Young, who claims to represent "small

stockholders," speaks for new powerful money combine. Among

the "small stockholders" who backed Young were Clint Mur-

chison and Syd Richardson, Texas oil barons reputedly sup-

porters of Senator McCarthy, who voted 800,000 shares of the

which they had been following One has only to read the arfor the previous four years and ticle by the Stalinist leader. Petwhich they gave the convenient tis Perry, discussing the CP's name of "Browderism." Browder draft program in the May Politwas made the sole scapegoat for ical Affairs, to see how determinthis policy and expelled from the ed they are to keep the Negro party. The Stalinists began to movement trapped on the Demdenounce the Democratic Party, ocratic merry-go-round. helped to form the Progressive

Party and swore that never again would they commit the "mistake" says; and if they don't know of supporting capitalist parties what's good for them, he's or the policy of the capitalist ready to advise them. lesser evil. Now it's 1954, and the Stalin-Take the movement for Negro

representation in office, which is fice. growing and spreading. The Democrats are not "coming forwhich brings them full circle and ward positively on this issue," they are "hedging," he com-

The crassly class-collaborationhave Negro candidates for Conist character of the CP program gress in Philadelphia and Balti- equip it with a program and a has been exposed in previous more, the Democrats have only issues of the Militant (March 15, one new Negro candidate for victory. Congress in Cleveland. The Republicans are doing this in order WHY THE WORRY

to "embarrass the Democratic today hold out for the Negro

DEMOCRATS' ROLE Negro candidates themselves. The Democratic Party is traditionally the party of white supremacy. Its Northern wing spouts fine talk about FEPC (to woo the Northern Negro and the Negro people will put the ever to be frightened by such a question: What is the value of prospect. wing (Dixiecrats and non-Dixiehe political alliance with the

crats alike) always vetoes FEPC Democratic Party . . .?" and other anti-Jim Crow legisla THE QUESTION

That of course would be when Northern workers and Negroes help to put the Democrats

uine progress.

in power nationally, they there- to keep the Negroes tied to the along behind the Democrats. by give the Southern Democrats, Democrats. But it's a logical by virtue of their greater sen- question for anyone who is coniority, the chairmanships of con- cerned with advancing the political the labor leaders eventually get But don't let them mislead a gressional committees and en-struggle against Jim Crow, pushed off their seats and into single militant Negro or worker able them all the more effectively whose chief buttress is the Dem- motion for a Labor Party? Or into following them! The job of that would be asked even by other witch hunting agency. They must to block all progressive legisla- ocratic Party. The question is can Negroes even now take in- militant Negroes and their white Yet it is this Democratic Party and the sooner it is asked and Labor Party development? that the Stalinists today, as in answered, the sooner the Negro the days of Browder, are urging people will be able to make gen- MUST NEGROES WAIT?

and pleading the Negro people to elect and put in office.

ism.

struggle.

The next big step the Negro ues gloomily, "when this ques- cause of the Kremlin's diplomat- ment for Negro representation tions when McCarthy takes the movement must take in order to tion is raised, some people, in- ic aims. But it's also because in office in such a way that it stand. exert its political influence cluding our own, ask the ques- they have no confidence in the won't become swallowed up in

to break with the Democratic for the Negro people to desert movement, because they don't besuch an alliance? Where would lieve that Negroes by themselves they go? Obviously the answer are capable of leading or decis-Party launched a great hue and fear and want to prevent at all to that question is that it is pos- ively affecting political developsible that in the midst of such a ments.

situation the Negro people may decide to go it alone. This, in our judgment, would be wrong.

That's why the Stalinists are the necessary allies to assure its your hunt for 'communists'?" begging the Democrats to get a new and less embarrassing look. abolition, by following a bold, That's why they are exerting militant and independent policy all the influence they have to of struggle. That's what happened in the fight against slavery. pervert and channelize back into The Democrats had better wise the Democratic Party the cur-And that's what can happen in up and get on the ball, Perry rent promising developments tothe fight for a Labor Party. ward independent political action As we pointed out in this paper last Feb. 8, a break of the Negro among Negroes, today taking the form primarily of movements would have thoroughly progresfor Negro representation in of t would put heavy pressure on

And that's why militant Negthe labor leaders "who know roes have to fight the Stalinists, as well as the capitalist politic- how difficult it would be for them to help elect their Demoians if they want to raise the plains, While the Republicans Negro struggle for equality to cratic candidates without the a higher political level and to support of the Negro voters. If the labor leaders can be shown that the Negro people are no perspective capable of bringing longer going to vote , Democrat and that as a result the Demo-

The Stalinists profess horror being elected, then the result Party," and Perry is worried; he at the prospect of Negroes "gowould be to weaken the alliance wants the Democrats to avoid ing it alone" - that is, breaking between the labor leaders and embarrassment by running more with the old parties - because the Democrats and to force the

it conflicts with the Kremlin's labor movement into at least It's not only the Democrats aim of seeking a deal with U.S. considering a new political policy. Perry is concerned about how- capitalism by penetrating the This course of action could ever: "For, if the situation con- Democratic Party. But militant strengthen the pro-Labor Party tinues as it is, sooner or later Negroes have no reason what. forces in the unions."

What the Negro people nee is a political alliance with the tion of a Labor Party. By stick-

labor movement to form a new ing with the Democrats, as the party, a Labor Party. The main Stalinists and Democrats advise, obstacle to such a party is not the Negro people can't change terrible question - for the Dem- the Negro people but the labor the present trend appreciably or ocrats, and anyone else who wants leaders, who continue to drag at all let alone improve their

The question is: Must the Negroes mark time patiently until Democratic Party if they wish. not only logical but inevitable, dependent action to hasten the allies is to break with the cap- ators who are seriously concerned italist parties, not to infiltrate

against the Jim Crow system is tion: How would it be possible independent role of the Negro the mire of capitalist politics.

conditions. Let the Stalinists go into the

those parties in the illusion that

they can be reformed. Our job The Stalinists say the Negro is to work for a Labor Party and "Unfortunately," Perry contin- movement must wait. That's be- to help guide the growing move-

refusing to name the thieves who give you secret information? Do you know in advance that they have no intention of indicting you? Why? Because they still intend to use you to win election campaigns? Or because you have some blackmail grip on the Our view is altogether differ- White House too - as Hitler had ent. A minority group like the over Hindenburg? Or because Negroes cannot abolish the Jim they would be afraid of your Crow system by itself, but it countercharge that such an incan hasten its abolition, and win dictment is designed to prevent

"Why in general are you so openly contemptuous of the Republican and Democratic leaders? Because, although they pretend to dislike your methods, they imitate them so slavishly? Because, although they try to 'outflank' you, they only succeed people with the Democratic Party in dancing to the tune that you call for the witch hunt as a sive consequences. For one thing, whole? Because, although they think they can curb your power by 'outdoing' you as a witch hunter, they only stimulate the hysteria and heighten the atmosphere in which your political power is bound to grow?

> "Aren't you contemptuous of the Democrats and Republicans because you know they can never really smash McCarthvism as long as they accept and circulate your big lie that the United States is menaced by a 'communist conspiracy' that must be destroyed at all costs?'

WILL THEY BE ASKED? McCarthy and McCarthyite fascism will never be stopped merely

by asking him questions. But they can be put on the crats, as we urge, the Negro spot and exposed if he is asked the right questions, whether he answers or evades them.

The questions I have posed are only a few of those that should be directed to McCarthy at the present hearings.

If there was a Labor Party Senator on the committee. he would be under pressure to put these questions . — and others to McCarthy.

Most of these are also questions Democratic and Republican Senabout fighting McCarthyism.

But the odds are that neither the Democratic nor the Republican members of the Senate committee will ask most of these ques-

Genuine anti-fascists will have to ask themselves: Why not?

By breaking with the Demopeople can speed up the forma-

crats will stand little chance of

# The Negro Struggle By Jean Blake

In Reply to a Reader — Part 3

Your letter criticizing this column and the Militant, Mr. S., challenges among other things our "economic" approach to the Negro question. Your argument runs somewhat as follows: (1) If the capitalist is interested primarily in making profits, and (2) Negroes are the last hired and first fired, and (3) the capitalists can make profits (super profits) by paying Negro workers less than white workers, then (4) why doesn't the capitalist hire cheaper Negro labor first, leaving white workers unemployed and therefore "willing to sell their labor power at much reduced rates?'

You conclude: "Either the capitalist isn't out for profits, or there is another solution." You evidently think the capitalist is out for profits, Mr. S., because you looked for another solution. You found one: that Negro labor is not as good or as productive as white labor because of a higher degree of absenteeism. But that is not the correct solution." Absenteeism exists among white workers (and capitalists) too, and has nothing to do with color.

The capitalist's power to determine what wages he will pay, and to choose whether he will hire white or Negro' workers is not unlimited. Certain economic laws govern the actions of the capitalist class, certain "ground rules" of the profit system. First, they must hire labor, and they hire the labor available, whether colored or white. Secondly, the wages they pay are determined basically by what it costs to maintain the kind of working class they need under the given conditions of technological and social development, plus the bargaining strength of the working class.

Thus, the capitalist is able to discriminate in hiring and wages against Negro labor because, on the whole, this society has subjected Negroes to inferior living conditions and kept labor divided and therefore weakened in its bargaining strength and solidarity by pitting Negro workers against white, men against women, youth against age, various religious and nationality groups against each other. A strong, united working class, conscious of its needs and role as a class, would not only be able to bargain more effectively to improve its lot, but could go much farther. It could change the ground rules by instituting a socialist organization of society based on production for use instead of profit, in which the artificial divisions between men would disappear because they would have no function. That is the goal we socialists seek.

When workers like you learn to stop cutting their own throats by swallowing capitalist rationalizations to justify their control of your life - including their "theories" on the Negro question - all humanity will take a giant step forward.

As for your questions on what that new society will look like in America, and whether we revolutionary socialists would not duplicate the tyranny and abuses of the Stalinists and others, I can only answer you briefly here. The crimes of Stalinism would not be repeated in • the U.S. because the basic conditions which gave rise to Stalinism would not exist here a backward economy, a small and weak working class, and a relatively strong world capitalist class. When the majority of the American workers adopt our program and organize a Socialist America, the capitalist limitations restraints and perversions of democracy will be abolished. Material insecurity and danger of war will disappear. Differences of opinion will be an intellectual challenge and stimulus, not a basis for fear and class antagonisms to be settled by force and brutality.

For more details on our aims and methods let me suggest you read a timely pamphlet "America's Road to Socialism," by James P Cannon. And for a better understanding of the real causes of racial discrimination, read the article, "When Anti-Negro Prejudice Began," in the current issue of the magazine, Fourth International.



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New Political Shift Shown In California Primaries

Early reports on the Califor-; ed here by a namesake of its nia June 8 primaries reveal a author?" and, "How much polit- viewed in connection with the number of significant develop- ical magic still clings to the anti-Republican swing last Noname of Roosevelt?' ments:

(1) Rep. Robert L. Condon The 26th Congressional Dis-(Dem.) running in the 6th Dis- trict is largely working class trict, won the Democratic pri- and lower middle class in commary. Condon was denounced by position. he Democratic national chair-(4) For the first time in over

man, Stephen A. Mitchell, be- 40 years of the cross-filing sysause he was denied access to tem in California, the Democrats, sign of change in the current he Nevada A-Bomb tests as a according to present indications, political situation. poor security risk." The full completely captured the Demo-

Carthyite, was thrown against Condon in this election. (2) State Senator Jack Ten-

tian Nationalist Party in the 1952 hunt. elections.

Tenney was chairman of the ing of the American Civil Liber-

ties Union as a "Communist ront organization." The Tenney machine conduct-

ed a frenzied campaign along fascist lines, claiming that the iberal labor and minority opposition was a plot of "organzed Jewry.'

six-to-one victory in the Dem-City Hall unless he took decisive cratic primary for Congress action to end the racist terror from the 26th District in Los that has been going on at Trum-Angeles. He ran second in the bull Park, federal housing pro-Republican primary. Roosevelt ject, since Negro families first

was opposed by the Democratic moved into it ten months ago. National Committee just as Con-The NAACP - sponsored Citidon was. He has been under fire zens Committee for Action on from a combination of Demo-Trumbull Park, composed of repcratic and Republican rightresentatives of labor, church wingers, who conducted a big and community organizations, smear campaign involving his met on May 26 to discuss action

marital difficulties. The N. Y. Times saw in the ent spoke in favor of the proposed 34 copies of his book, "The Case Roosevelt candidacy a test which march on City.Hall. Many agreed, 'may provide clues to a number 'I've been to 30 or 40 meetings of questions far beyond the like this, and all we do is talk. boundaries of the state." Among say let's get down to action." At the close of the meeting these the Times lists: "How NO DATE YET

Kutcher received a silver wrist great, at this political juncture, watch from a group of friends is the appeal of the New Deal Attorney Lipsitz characterized and supporters. Dorothy Haines, political philosophy, as expound-

**Police Brutality** 

By Art Sharon

vember, point to a continuing political shift away from the GOP over the issues of unemployment, war and the witch hunt. The growing demand of

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the Negro people for representation in government is another These new anti - reactionary

weight of the witch hunters, cratic column in a primary tendencies in the political mood Republican, Democratic and Mc- election. In recent years the of the working people receive Republicans have frequently cap- the distorted expression of shifts tured the Democratic primaries. between the two old parties. The returns from the Califor- These shifts, and the disappoint-

nev. notorious California fascist, nia primaries indicate the growth ments that follow them, will conwas defeated for State Senate in of opposition to the witch hunt tinue as long as labor permits both the Republican and Dem- in the working and middle class- the capitalists to maintain their ocratic primary. (California elec- es. Condon's primary victory and monopoly, control of politics tions laws permit cross-filing of Tenney's defeat are particularly through the two-party system. candidates in the primaries.) significant in this respect. At The working people's demands Tenney was vice-presidential can- issue in both these contests was will not be satisfied until they didate of G. L. K. Smith's Chris- the whole McCarthyite witch build a party of their own. a Labor Party

McCarthyite State Legislative Committee on Un-American Ac-Committee on Un-American Ac-tivities. He was one of the in-stigators of the "subversive list" technique. Recently McCarthy Ternav's list-

CHICAGO, June 5 — "We've done everything possible to maintain order at Trumbull Park. The police officers are on the job and they are doing a good job," said Mayor Kennelly last Friday.

This, in effect, is the mayor's member asked why this action answer to the warning of the Na- had not been taken eight months ago. Abner assured him the national Association for the Advancement of Colored People that tional executives had been asked to come to Chicago before but there would be a mass march on had other commitments. "Maybe they'll have commitments now. the members said.

On Sunday, May 23, hoodlums exploded bombs at Trumbull Park all day and into the evening. The police did not stop them or arrest any of the culprits. That evening two of the Negro residents, Herman King and Statie Edwards, were arrested inside the project. They had just returned proposals. Almost everyone presfrom walking down Bensely Ave., a street the police do not like Negroes to walk on.

> The two men were searched llegally and charged with carrying concealed weapons. Their trial came up May 25 and was continued until June 9 at the

A representative of the CIO request of Captain Barnes, head Packinghouse Workers made a of the police detail in the project. motion that a definite date be set Police Commissioner O'Conner. for the march on City Hall. The in a meeting with NAACP repchairman ruled him out of order resentatives, agreed to call

**Children** in Court By Joyce Cowley

"Children in Court," a new pamphlet published by the Public Affairs Committee, reports that in 1952 about 1,000,000 children tangled with the law and more than 385,000 wound up in Children's Courts. This is a 30% increase over 1948 and the figures for 1953 will be even higher.

These children stole more than half the cars stolen in 1952. They committed nearly one out of every two burglaries. They assaulted and raped and killed.

There are over 200 Children's Courts in the U.S., concentrated in eight states. In the other 40 states, juvenile cases are lumped in with other judicial proceedings. The courts in the eight fortunate states "with rare exceptions aren't working too well. They serve to reinforce the feeling the children adready have of the world's hostility or indifference."

kids get trained for just one thing - a life of adult crime.

The pamphlet contains a detailed study of the Children's Court in New York City which does have a probation staff. Since the probation officers are able to see most children from five to 20 minutes a month, or one to four hours a year, I doubt that this staff is really helpful. They never get around to seeing some of the children.

Some of the judges are "both wise and humble" but apparently a great many are not. port and attendance of the meeting. Some "order" children to promise better

"SAD COMMENTARY" behavior or to read selected books. Some go in for lectures to parents and children on the desirability of good conduct. One judge doesn't believe in psychiatry and never reads the



A striking worker knocked to the ground outside Kohler

plant, in Kohler, Wis., during picketline battle. Four union men

were arrested after the Wisconsin employment relations board

ruled CIO United Auto Workers Local 833 was picketing

illegally. Some 3,500 are on strike. Company Pres. Herbert

Kohler boasted he had guns in the plant and called for tear-

(Continued from page 1) All he did was lose his legs in Kutcher's speech, the audience responded with the purchase of battle in war.'

gassing the pickets.

The committee also sent out a of the Legless Veteran," and with letter which gave details of the \$120 collection and further Kutcher appeal and urged suppledges for the future.

Kutcher as "one of the most the young Negro woman who celebrated litigants of civil liber- made the presentation of the gift, ties cases of recent times." He said in the course of her re-

(3) James Roosevelt won a

"What's wrong?" this pamphlet asks. The answers indicate - just about everything. First, no money. Courts don't have adequate appropriations with which to work.

Even if they had money, many of the judges have been appointed to discharge political debts and are not equipped to handle delinquent children.

If we did have good judges, they couldn't accomplish much. The court depends on its probation staff and half the counties in the U.S. don't have probation staffs. When they do, it's usually "overworked, inadequately trained, underpaid" and capable of giving "the most casual, routine, cursory service."

That's not all. If there were good probation services the courts would still have a tough time because many of the children must be "sent away" and there aren't enough "places" to send them. The institutions that do exist "aren't all the right kind." Schools intended for 200 children have as many as 400 and when "the population gets this big it is almost impossible for a training school staff to avoid using mass regimentation methods and arbitrary discipline." Everyone familiar with so-called "training schools" knows that the

TEACHERS PAY: School teachers throughout

the U.S. get an average yearly salary of only

\$3,605, according to the report in the March CIO

Economic Outlook. Some 56% of all teachers get

less than \$3,500; 14.1% less than \$2,500 and

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LION'S SHARE: Who gets the lion's share of

the \$3,917,000,000 in tax cuts provided in the

latest Republican tax proposal (H.R. 8300)? The

wealthiest families would get 95% of the tax

cuts. All the rest of the people would get only

SERIOUS CRIME: William Vanderdoes, a

worker at Fisher Body plant No. 1 in Flint who

refused to cooperate with the House UnAmerican

Activities Committee at its witch hunt hearings

here, was fired by General Motors. His offense?

He is accused of "falsifying" his job application

in 1949 by not listing the fact that he has a

M'CARTHY'S STANDARD: When a N. Y. Post

columnist called the Emergency Civil Liberties

Committee "pro-Communist" and "an apparent

Communist front," the ECLC asked for a retracion. In return the editor of the Post, James

echsler, demanded evidence from the committee

"has taken a position in opposition to

bachelor's degree in social science.

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"Corporations and the

41.7% between \$2,500 and \$3,500.

CIO's estimate is:

5% of the tax cuts."

Notes from the News

"anti-Communist."

schools.

reports of psychiatric examinations. Another also stated that it was "a sad marks reads these reports but pays no attention to commentary on the state of civil them, preferring his own "common sense." liberties that a meeting like this BEST TRADITIONS

Some insist on regular church attendance and is under police surveillance." This remark drew hearty apwriting the Ten Commandments a given number of times. So far none of these measures has had run a gauntlet of FBI and enforce the decision of th checked delinquency.

What can be done? The final section of the outside the hall.

The next speaker, Prof. Sumpamphlet attempts to answer this. It calls for a change in the method of appointing judges ACLU and told why it supported mers, described the work of the and suggests that judges receive post-appoint, the case. He was followed by Rev. ment training. Every court, it says, should Adams, who spoke about the have a qualified probation staff. It asks for the necessity of carrying thought into constructive action. expansion of shelters, treatment homes, psy-Lipsitz then presented the princhiatric and guidance facilities. cipal speaker of the evening,

It's O.K. to improve the courts, but what James Kutcher, who received a about the causes of delinquency? These chil- warm ovation. The audience listened with rapt attention as the undaunted fighter narrated dren grow up either in economic insecurity or physical want. They grow up in the rapidly the dramatic story of his sixspreading slums, in basements, in firetraps, year struggle to win reinstatein rooming houses where five families are ment to the job he had lost as a result of the arbitrary action of crowded into a five room apartment. They the Attorney General. In an attend overcrowded schools in buildings that article accompanied by a picture are dangerously old. Their playgrounds are the of James Kutcher, the Buffalo city streets where they pick up a lot of the Courier Express described the education they miss in classrooms. I'd like to see a program for housing, schools and recrea- government job because of polition that will eliminate the need for so many tical, activity made a vigorous advertisement in the student of these courts.

the activities of the Communists here and

McCarthy, accepts McCarthy's standard - that

NAACP CONVENTION: The 45th annual con-

vention of the NAACP will be held in Dallas June

29-July 4. A chief topic will be problems arising

out of the Supreme Court decision on segregated

"You have all read ho Governor Herman Talmadge o proval from the audience, which Georgia said that he would not local police snoopers stationed Supreme Court outlawing school

segregation. He said it would take the U.S. Army to do it. Here is a man who openly threatened violence, not only against us 15 million Negro people, but against youth that third-degree police the government itself, including its very army. But our good their conviction and sentence to Attorney General hasn't put him death at Sing Sing. on the subversive list. No gov-John Roche, a psychopath ernment agency has labeled him murderer, was reported today to as disloyal or a security risk. The have confessed to two killings

FBI didn't investigate him." for which two other young men There was a burst of applause are now serving long prison for this and for her statement terms. Oliver Freeman, 18 years

uphill struggle for freedom." Kutcher's visit to Buffalo caused considerable discussion among labor, liberal and academic a murder "confession" which he circles in the community. Out-

standing among them was Buffalo by New York City police. meeting: "A veteran who said he had been fired from his federal State Teachers College, where the Kutcher committee placed a small

torney General's practices in listing subversive organizations." In the Buffalo Evening News report, Kutcher was quoted as pressure exerted upon the edi- ed by prejudice and discrimin- tee, All officers were elected for a two-year term.

"The attorney general labels an organization subversive with- sources. In the issue of the Record

out a hearing, without formal abroad." Thus Wechsler, a favorite target of charges, and without having to there was also an editorial which ments secured from them by the month's Michigan state CIO con-

prove that the group ever did you're "pro-Communist" if you don't prove you're anything disloyal or illegal. If

that is democracy or due process of law, then Hitler was the greatest democrat of all time!" The highlight of the speech analysis of McCarthyism as the

"AIN'T I WONDERFUL!" - Simple, the outincipient form of American fasspoken and militant character by Langston cism. In ringing terms, which the Hughes in the Chicago Defender, had this to say Courier printed, he said: "The about the Supreme Court decision on school seg- country is headed for fascism if regation: "I don't see nothing for them to be the present trend of fear conproud of just doing what they ought to do. If tinues. . . The main danger to they was doing something extra, yes, then be liberty is here, not in Moscow. proud. But Negroes have a right to go to decent I denounce McCarthyism as antischools just like everybody else. So what's there labor, anti-liberal, anti-demoto be proud of in that they are just now letting cratic, anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, us in? They ought to be ashamed of themselves anti-scientific, anti-intellectual for keeping us out so long. I might have had a and fascist."

saying:

good education myself had it not of been for The article continued: "He said white folks. If they want something to be proud neither President Eisenhower, of let them pay me for all the education I ain't Adlai Stevenson, Democratic got . . . it's just like you have had a foot on a leader, nor the Senate can be if I see anything so wonderful about that!"

"Freedom of the press is one his retraction. The evidence thing we've always taken for granted around the Record of-

phone contacting everyone from has a right to be heard. And we the doomed youth.

suspicions."

that Jimmy Kutcher "symbolizes old, now serving ten to 20 years.

charges was extorted from him

claims was beaten out of him The Freeman-Pfeffer "confes-

three youth now sitting in the 26 and 27. The opposition slate Dattack last night against the At- paper, the Record. Although the Sing Sing death house. Concep- was headed by incumbents Joe file committees. The presidents advertisement was finally accept- cion Estrada Correa, 17, Henry Cheal and Pat Quinn, reelected also scheduled an area-wide uned, it was later learned that a Mathews, 17, and Pedro Antonio president and vice-president res- employment conference and urgheated controversy had taken Rios, 22 were sentenced to death pectively. The only post won by ed all locals to call regular meetplace as a result of reactionary at a murder trial heavily mark- the Reutherites was that of trus- ings of their unemployed members.

torial staff from undisclosed ation. The principal evidence intro-

The anti-Reuther grouping also in which the ad was printed duced against them was state- elected 25 of 30 delegates to this third degree. The key prosecu- vention.

tion witness retracted his testi-LOCAL'S PROGRAM mony once and then retracted Dodge Local 3 has been in the

against the three was of a highly forefront in the Detroit area in dubious nature. was the challenge Kutcher threw fice. . That's why it was so Attorneys point out that the setting forth their demands. The out against McCarthy and ms upsetting (understatement) when first major defect at the trial local's program to combat unsetting forth their demands. The was the absence of an unpreju- employment is:

(1) The 30 hour week at 40 of rank and file unemployed

councils in all the locals; (3) Puerto Rican organizations the holding of regular weekly the' Grosvenor Library and the here are responding to the call meetings of the unemployed; (4) the formation of a city-wide unanswer) to the FBI." But, con- tims from death. The General employment council based on the cluded the editorial, "Stronger Confederation of Puerto Ricans local council which would agitate than our doubtfulness is the af- of New York City is trying to for a public works program and firmation that . . . everyone still rally the necessary support for higher rates of unemployment compensation, fight against evic-While the lawyers are fighting tions and push for other meas

on the grounds that the report Expose Supports Charge of 3 Youth was not completed.

Captain Barnes in to discuss charges that the police detail

Another motion was made to stationed in the project to protect send a mailing to all the local the Negro families is falling mions in the city asking their down on the job and working support for the demonstration. under restrictions. It has been Willoughby Abner, vice president reported by Negro residents in of the NAACP, and Sam Parks, Trumbull Park that a police of-

NEW YORK, June 9 - New district anti-discrimination direcficer cannot arrest anybody revelations of shocking police tor of the Packinghouse Workers, causing disturbances without brutality today underscored the opposed the motion on the ground getting permission from police charge of three Puerto Rican that local unions should not be headquarters.

consulted over the head of the States Attorney Gutknecht inmethods were responsible for CIO Council and "besides the formed the NAACP that it was Council has the only available out of the jurisdiction of his mailing list." The motion was office to get evidence against the defeated by a small majority. rioters in Trumbull Park for a A motion was made and passed grand jury investigation. He said to send for NAACP secretary that only if the evidence was Walter White and NAACP coun- brought into them would an insel Thurgood Marshall. One vestigation be feasible.

## in our eyes the best and most militant traditions in the long signed "confession" which he by police beatings. Paul Pfeffer, 21, is serving 20 years to life for multicer "confeesion" which has a serving 20 years to life for multicer "confeesion" w

DETROIT - The opposition to President Walter Reuther won six posts out of seven in the elections held in sions" have a familiar ring to Dodge Local 3 of the CIO United Auto Workers on May

It was on this program to cope with unemployment that the Reutherite slate centered its attack. A Reutherite leaflet described it as "yak-yak, blabber and baloney" and promised to alleviate unemployment by means of negotiations with the Chrysler Corporation. Many members organizing the unemployed and of Local 3 declared that the leaflet would have been more fitting had it been issued by the Chrysler Corporation.

There is no question that the hours pay; (2) the establishment Reutherites' reckless blast helped to defeat their own slate.

James Kutcher Tour Schedule	
Detroit Chicago- Milwaukee Ju Seattle Los Angeles San Francisco Aug	June 5-21 ne 22-July 6 July 14-26 Aug. 1-20 . 22-Sept. 18
* * * Other dates will <u>k</u> soon.	

in part stated: "A LITTLE ASHAMED"

we sat down and analyzed our

issue of the Record. . . The staff

are a little ashamed of our

At the Kutcher meeting there the ground their civil liberties The program of Dodge Local was a substantial representation were violated, the New York lo-3 is making headway throughman's head. You finally take your foot off and depended upon to oppose Mc- of the student body of Buffalo cal of the Socialist Workers out the UAW in Detroit. At a say: 'AIN'T I WONDERFUL! I DONE TOOK Carthyism. Kutcher urged forma- State Teachers College as well as Party is stressing that only a recent meeting of UAW presi-MY FOOT OFF YOUR HEAD!' Fill be dogged tion of a labor party for the several other universities and mass campaign arousing the dents a directive was issued to widest protest can save the three. all locals to establish rank and

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schools.

to set their conviction aside on ures to protect the jobless.

Socialist Workers Party (no to save the three frameup vic-