## **Congress Votes Ban on Political** Liberty in U.S.

#### By Murry Weiss

Aug. 19-The majority of Congress voted to ban more than the Communist Party last week. They voted to ban

right to think, vote, join or support a party has been declared a criminal act punishable by five years imprison-

as an amendment to the infamous measure outlawing the Communist Party.

barricade of the liberal Democrats in Congress who had sworn to fight such legislation to the bitter end?

The fact is that the liberals themselves led the lynch mob against political freedom and the independence of the unions in Congress last week.

#### Week of the Great Liberal Collapse

August 12 to 19 will go down in American history as the Week of the Great Liberal Collapse. The whole pack of Democratic Party hypocrites, Hubert Humphrey, Herbert Lehman, Paul Douglas, etc. etc., who paraded as defenders of labor and civil liberties, and as stout-hearted opponents of McCarthyism, took off their halos, checked their liberal principles in the Congressional cloak rooms, and plunged into an orgy of witch hunting and union busting legislation that put McCarthy, Jenner, Welker, Butler, and Dies in the shade.

The Week of the Great Liberal Collapse opened with the Senate debating Butler's bill to strangle the unions with the machinery of the witch hunt. At this stage the liberals put up a feeble opposition. They pleaded with the reactionaries not to open a union-busting drive in the name of put an end to such crimes as the of Germany were doing, they said, an attack on Communism. But their proposal to refer the anti-Negro terrorism at Trumbull bill to the study of a twelve-man board was defeated.

The liberals made a sudden about face. Hubert H. Humphrey, on Aug. 12, intoduced a measure to outlaw the Communist Party. Listen to the voice of liberalism:

"I am tired of reading headlines about being 'soft' toward communism. . . I want to come to grips with the Communist issue. I want the Senators to stand up and to answer whether they are for the Communist Party, or Senators on the line. . . We shall have struck at the

# political liberty and freedom of thought. They took the United States a long way down the road to a police state. For the first time in American history a political party has been declared illegal by a majority of Congress. The right to think, vote, join or support a party has been Proceeding of the party has been been declared illegal by a majority of Congress. The The same bill that was rushed through Congress out-lawing the Communist Party also lays the ground for out-lawing unions. All the provisions of the notorious Butler Bill, so bitterly opposed by the unions, were pushed through as an amendment to the infamous measure outlawing the

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AUG. 16 - German labor has moved into the forefront of the CHICAGO, Aug. 16 - Some 2,000 petitions were filed today class struggle in Europe, definiwith the Cook County Clerk to tively ending more than two put Howard Mayhew on the decades of silence imposed by ballot as the Socialist Workers Hitler's storm troopers and the Party candidate for Congress Allied occupation forces. Not from the 2nd Congressional Dissince the years before Hitler trict. The signatures numbered smashed their unions have the German workers demonstrated 2,000 more than minimum requiresuch cohesiveness, power and ments.

militancy. About four million ----In a leaflet distributed in the one out of four in the entire 2nd District, Mayhew thanked the signers for their support and labor force - are either already out on the picket line or preparoutlined the main points he would ing for strike action. stress in the campaign:

The first reaction of the Ger-(1) A 30-hour week at 40 man capitalists and their Anglohours' pay to combat unemploy-American backers to this upsurge ment. was amazement. Only last year

(2) A public housing program they lauded the workers in West to eliminate high rent slums, Germany for their relative quiescence during the heroic uprising provide low-cost housing for workers and give jobs to the of the East German workers on unemployed. June 17 against the Stalinist gov-(3) A united labor defense of ernment. The contrast between all victims of discrimination, to what the workers in the two parts demonstrated the satisfaction of the German workers with capi-Park. talism

(4) A Congress of Labor to But the first amazement swiftly organize the fight against Mcchanged to fear of what the Carthyism and the war plans of present great strike wave portends Big Business.

for the future of capitalism in ACTIVE UNIONIST Germany.

The British liberal journal, the Mayhew has been active in trade union affairs since 1937, Manchester Guardian, for exboth in the Chicago Newspaper ample, hoped that the dispute in Guild and the United Auto Work- Hamburg which "seems to have against it. The proposal in the amendment will place the Guild and the United Auto worker in the touched the present wide agita-ers, CIO. A former worker in the touched the present wide agita-Electromotive Plant of General tion off" might be swiftly Motors, he served as committee- minated and thus render man, member of the executive whole German labor situation less editor of the 719 News. He is author of a new pamphlet, ed voice of American Big Busiboard of UAW Local 719, and co-dangerous." (Aug. 12.) Terror at Trumbull ness, declared editorially Aug. 14 "Racial that the "honeymoon" between Park.' German labor and capital has ended "with a sudden vengeance In its opinion, "Labor unrest ir exercising this civil right. West Germany has been mounting which cannot yet be clearly La. seen. Germany.' an assault on the Soviet Union. HOWARD MAYHEW (Continued on page 4)



German dockworkers and their wives, armed with pitchforks, threaten German police at American housing project site in Bremerhaven. They were demonstrating against U.S. army requisition of their homes through city authorities. This new fighting mood of Germany's working class is shown in a current wave of strikes.

"the NEGRO BEATEN BRUTALLY

## The Butler amendment provides that if the McCarran subversive Control Board declares a union to be "infiltrat-ed" or "dominated" by "Communists" the union will be stripped of its bargaining rights, and laid open to the combined attack of the employers, the government and the raiding of "good" unions. Who bears the responsibility for the passage of this monstrous police state legislation? How did it get past the barricade of the liberal Democrats in Congress who had **Doom Whole Countries**

#### By Art Preis

A wholly new dimension of destructiveness, unforeseen by atomic scientists themselves and now concealed by the Eisenhower administration, has been added to the hydrogen

This previously undisclosed element of annihiliation is so fearsome that it has been playing a major role in international political developments. The sensational revelation was made by Joseph and Stewart Alsop, Washington columnists, in heir Aug. 11 syndicated article. The fact of the wide-spread leadly range of the H-bombs exloded last March in the Amerian mid-Pacific tests was partially uncovered at the time. Japanese fishermen and Marshall Island inhabitants, at distances of 80 to 120 miles from the point of explosion, were burned and made deathly sick by "fallouts" of radioactive ashes. But t was still generally assumed that the principal elements of lestruction were the H-bomb's blast and heat waves, which devastate a 300 square-mile area, equivalent to-most large modern cities.

LARGER PHENOMENON These factors of blast and

heat, it is now disclosed by the fall out over a wide area instead Alsop brothers, are secondary to the new and unanticipated pow- of dissipating into the atmosers of the H-bomb, which 'has phere, as does much of the radioturned out to be an even more activity unloosed by the H-bomb nideous and destructive weapon itself. "What is not known or underthan was planned and expected." stood, however," write the Alsop For "it has now been discovered that . . . the heat and blast may brothers, "is the strong probability that this widespread fallbe no more than the percussion cap of a much larger phenomeout of noxious particles was no mere accident but 'an inherent non. characteristic of the new kind of This "much larger phenomehydrogen bomb." non" is the consequence of the fact that the latest H-bombs SCIENTISTS UNPREPARED "ripped a huge chunk of materi-Dr. Edward Teller and the al out of the earth's skin." The other planners of the H-bomb pulverized material "ascended tests were "quite unprepared" into the bomb cloud." But, because of their weight, the for the results produced, say the "strongly radioactive particles" (Continued on page 2)



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## **British Labor Paper** Is Witch Hunt Target

#### By John White

LONDON, Aug. 13 — A wave of protest is sweeping the British Labor Party over the decision of its National Executive Committee to ban a left-wing weekly paper, the Socialist Outlook.

The leaders of the Labor Party Trotskyist Revolutionary Comhave declared than any one "as- munist Party. The Revolutionary Communist Party dissolved in sociated with" or "supporting" the Socialist Outlook are inelig- 1949, and advised its members ible for membership in the Labor to join the Labor Party and fight for their policy within its ranks." Party.

This decision of the National Thus Herbert Morrison con-Executive Committee was by no tinues the witch hunt against means unanimous. It was fought Trotskyists in Britain initiated bitterly by the contingent in the by the Stalinists.

top committee who follow Aneu-Morrison's move, timed to coran Bevan. They understood very incide with the junket of top well that the suppression of the Labor Party bureaucrats to the Socialist Outlook could well be Soviet Union and China, was (Continued on page 3)

By Joseph Keller

Eisenhower makes no bones

the first step toward suppressing all the independent left journals of the Labor Party, including the Bevanite Tribune.

It appears that even rightwing leaders of some of the big unions were not in favor, possibly because they were aware of the widespread opposition the decision would arouse.

The architect of this attack on the rights of Labor Party members was Herbert Morrison, who fought for it vehemently in the National Executive Committee.

effect on the voters. Truman's flatly: First indication that the Soed as the target of a witch hunt- most favorable to his administra- nomic activity has come to a ing attack in England came last tion. A certain merit of Eisen- halt." The proof? The Federal April when the World News, a hower's report is precisely the Reserve Index of Industrial Stalinist weekly, ran two articles fact that its political motivation Production, which registered 123 on "Trotskyism in the Labor is so obvious that it puts us on Party." guard.

These articles listed contributors and supporters of Socialist about the political intent of his Outlook, who, it alleged, were report. He devotes a major former members of the Revolu- section to a comparison of tionary Communist Party.

The wording of the NEC cir- of 1953 with the same period in whether that 1.0 improvement cular to Labor Party members 1952, during Truman's presidency. factor cited by Eisenhower still proscribing the Socialist Outlook In most respects, economic ac- holds. could have been lifted from the tivity in the later year was

look). a number of its regular been the best ever.

Progress made by Negroes in the South still has not reached the point where a Negro citizen can go to the polls that adds up to a serious revolt." and be sure that he won't be beaten or even killed for

The latest illustration is what had to undergo brain surgery. The unusual thing about the so rapidly during the past few happened to Izell Henry, 39-yearweeks as now to approach a na- old bus driver and father of Henry case is not that a Negro tional emergency, the outcome of seven children in Greensburg, was terrorized for exercising his rights but that two white men On July 27, the Pittsburgh have been arrested on suspicion

The Times called for "imme- Courier reports, Henry voted in of "knowing something about the diate emergency measures" as the Democratic primary. Until beating," according to an as well as "consideration" of "long about two years ago it was un- sistant district attorney. The two range wage policies for West usual for any Negroes to be al- men had brought in Henry's lowed to vote in St. Helena body, claiming they found him in The concern of this voice of Parish. the ditch.

Wall Street over the rise of Ger- Early in the morning after Whether they or anyone else man labor is all the more acute election day a gang of white will be prosecuted is another in view of the war plans of men called at Henry's home, took story. That would really be America's rulers which envisage him away and beat him severely something new in the South, where white supremacists can rearming Germany and utilizing with rubber hoses and other terrorize Negroes with impunity the country as a springboard for weapons.

Henry was found in a ditch and where less than one out of This scheme requires a Nazi-like unconscious, suffering from seri- 10,000 white criminals is ever regime in power and a labor ous head injuries. Transferred punished for offenses committed to a hospital in New Orleans, he against Negroes.

selected statistics for periods of stated: "Sales of new cars in tangible evidence to warrant the sylvania and Kentucky coal



AUG. 18 - The 1.243 pilots of | pany's new schedule "short-cutted American Airlines have been on procedures provided by law for strike since July 21 against the employer-employe negotiations if company's unilateral change of changes in working rules are to working rules increasing to a be made."

dangerous point the flying time The APA points out: "The issue of pilots on coast-to-coast non- involves more than 'a few minutes stop flights. Under the new rule, flying over 8 hours.' It involves the company would have required the increased exposure of the New York to Los Angeles pilots pilot to excessive flight time and to exceed the established 8-hour on-duty time. For example, a maximum non-stop flying time. pilot on this operation recently West bound pilots have had to flew 12 hours and 5 minutes and fly ten to twelve hours at a was on duty 17 hours, although stretch because of head winds. technically scheduled for 8 hours Although the AFL Air Line and 35 minutes." Pilots Association asked the com

Eisenhower's Democratic op- two or more years ago. What July dropped to 448,000, off 20% conviction that the recession here mining areas in the Aug. 7 Na- pany to discontinue temporarily

ponents complain that his Aug. everyone wants to know is: How from June and the lowest since had halted." The Pittsburgh tion magazine gives a most the three westbound non-stop 12 report on the national economy are we doing now? Are conditions February. Production, which fell Business Index was reported at dismal picture. From the Johns- flights until a settlement could be reached, the company preferred to go ahead with its new "More sinister than the dust schedule, made without union

other ground workers in order to

American Airlines used a recent

comparable week ended Aug. 8, cloud that used to hang like a agreement as required by con-On Aug. 14, the Associated 1953. Iron Age, steel industry black blanket overhead is the tract. tions continuing at only 64% of mines. Thousands of men have determined to change the workbeen laid off and scores of towns ing rules and to eliminate the

At the same time, from Cleve- are turning into ghosts. Everyone 8-hour flying maximum that has land came the report to the Aug. is asking: Will the mines ever prevailed for 23 years. It has 15 Times that "a general ship- reopen? Sitting idly, helplessly gone to the extent of laying off ping slowdown on the Great Lakes by, miners fear they see the 1,891 non-striking employes and is getting under way... Not since answer as they watch rails ripped sending layoff notices to 13,821

fails to bear out the President's the depression era of the early up and the machinery sold." Only 69,126 persons were em- fight the union. nineteen thirties have Great in the Aug. 15 N. Y. Times Lakes ports been jammed with ployed in the coal industry in

Pennsylvania in 1953 as compared decision of the Civil Aeronautics idle boats this early in the season. About 20% of the 275 in the ore to 105,816 in 1943, Sease writes. Board as a pretext for its highers and thousands of other per-fleet did not leave port this Since the time Eisenhower took handed action. This CAB ruling office in January, 1953, there have permits non-stop flying schedules been 156 mines closed in the of over eight hours, although, as

state and 16,247 miners thrown the union points out, this is not a out of jobs. compulsory order and all flight

The situation of the two most Gerald Griffin writes from times must be negotiated beimportant manufacturing in-Kentucky that "many ghost towns The conservative Times, a dustries, auto and steel, is positween the union and company, as

A statement of the Air Pilots (Continued on page 2) Association charges that the com-

55,000 on Strike In Rubber Industry

Some 30.000 Goodyear rubber workers, on strike since July 8, were joined on the picket lines Aug. 13 by 25,000 CIO United Rubber Workers members at all Firestone Co. plants. The two largest of the "Big Four" rubber companies have adamantly refused a union demand for a meager 71/2-cent hourly wage boost, plus elimination of the geographical wage differentials

Negotiations with B.F. Goodrich and United States Rubber were in progress while the workers continued on the job on a day-to-day basis. All four companies have made an identical offer of only 5 cents an hour. It appears the companies are seriously considering an attempt to cripple or break the union.

activity is easing off perceptibly - the low for the year is going capacity. lower still. This hardly shows a "halt" in the decline. **'DIM VIEW OF REPORT''** 

PREMATURE CLAIM Well, July has gone and August is more than half over and we

economic figures for the first half have had a bit longer time to see

COAL GHOST TOWNS try's key manufacturing in-Stalinist articles. It said in part: higher. From this fact, Eisenview this week of President "While prominent members of hower draws the conclusion that dustry, auto, we must conclude Eisenhower's report on the ecothe Labor Party have contributed economic activity "of late" - that Eisenhower's claim that the nomic health of the nation."

at least premature. Four days backer of the Eisenhower ad- tively rosy, however, compared to are seen in Eastern Kentucky the contract provides. contributors are known for their But Eisenhower realizes that after Eisenhower's report, the ministration, concedes that in the country's main single fuel these days. Coke ovens are crumprevious association with the most people won't be taken in by Aug. 16 Wall Street Journal Pittsburgh "there was not enough source, coal. A survey of Penn-

Almost every act of a President very opening sentence, Eisen- smallest for a full five-day period compared to 143.6 for the last writes: is political, with an eye to its hower answers these questions this year, is scheduled to dip week in July, and 195 for the "The paramount fact again this week." economic reports also were poli- about the economy at mid-year is cialist Outlook had become mark-tical and drew the conclusions that the recent decline in eco-Fress wrote that "auto factory publication, reported steel opera-present wholesale shutdown of The company is obviously

> in March and April, rose to 124 n May and June.

The situation in steel likewise

contention. A Pittsburgh report

begins: "Fifty thousand idle mill work-

What Eisenhower Left Out of His Report

is "political." Of course it is. getting better or worse? In his to 102,283 units last week, 139.2 for the first week in August, town, Pa., area, Glenn Sease

sons employed only part time year."

From the situation in the coun- in this industrial area took a dim



to this journal (Socialist Out- how late, he does not say — has decline "has come to a halt," is

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DETROIT, Aug. 16 - The election campaign of the talking confidently of winning Socialist Workers Party's in Michigan opened last Satur- both houses, the lower house by day with a rally at which the socialist candidates for Governor, U.S. Senator and Con-D-

gressman presented a fighting tle against all forms of oppresprogram against unemployment, sion and for the final liberation war, McCarthyism and Jim Crow. of humanity from this outlived Labor's stake in the fall elec- and decaying capitalistic system." Robert Himmel, running for away from the Republicans and tions was discussed by Frank Lovell, SWIP candidate for Gov- Congress in the 1st Congressional District, sounded a note of ernor and a veteran unionist.

"At no time since the depreswarning to minority peoples on sion year of 1932 has there been the rising fascist danger. more anxiety in this country," FASCIST DANGER

Lovell said. "The reasons for "Throughout the country," he this are not hard to find. Unemnoted, "anti-Negro and antiployment is growing, speedup and layoffs are the order of the labor demagogues are crawling day in industry, the army con- out of their holes and linking tinues to call up the youth of themselves to the growing fasthe nation and everywhere the cist movement embodied in Mcwitch hunt that aims to make Carthyism. They are putting into practice a program of force and this country a land of silent peoviolence against the Negro people continues.

"The only insurance working ple that will in time be directed people have against the rising against the entire organized tide of reaction," Lovell con- labor movement.

tinued, "is their own independent "Instead of organizing a strugorganized might. We are now gle against fascism, the leaders engaged in a struggle for sur- of the labor and Negro movevival. That is why it is so ur- ments tie the workers and minthe ballot this year.

gent to organize now the forces ority groups to the coat-tails of that can smash native fascism the Democratic and Republican PRIMARY TRENDS and reorganize the whole of parties of Big Business. They American economy for the lib- hamstring the struggle for Negro rights by limiting it to pleadings eration of mankind."

for justice in our courts of law. WHAT CAPITALISM OFFERS Not the courts, but the united Calling for the working class action of working people of all to break decisively with the capraces can effectively defeat fasitalist political parties, Rita cism.

Shaw, candidate for Senator, "The Socialist Workers Party calls for the organizing and consaid "The parties of the capitalist vening of a nation-wide Congress primaries. Participation was nor- primaries.

class, the Republicans and Demo- of Labor and minority groups, crats. can offer us only the al- which could map out a program where the Democratic nominaternatives of starvation and a to put an end to McCarthyism tion is tantamount to election. great depression or annihilation and Jim Crow." All the candidates urged the were few; most incumbents were in atomic warfare. We working

lution which cannot rest upon Workers Party's fight for the bosses retained control in most the maintenance of the capitalist establishment of the 30-hour places; the national bosses reweek at 40 hours' pay and the mained behind the scenes, wiseprivate profit system. "The Socialist Workers Party organization of an independent

is not a party which disappears Labor Party. The campaign headquarters of the day after elections to reappear the next time we want the SWP is located at 3000 Grand regarding his edicts, renominated (Southern liberals, it is undervotes. We fight a continuous bat- River, Room 207, Detroit.



(Continued from page 1) from a war to a more nearly bling from long idleness. Build- peace economy, with Government to McCarthyism: ings have been torn down for the expenditures on national security lumber. Most of the people have dropping nearly one-fifth in a moved away in search of jobs." year. . .

# SWP Mich. Campaign Opens with Attack on Peril of McCarthyism In general the more conserva-

they are now. Then they were

a majority of 40 to 60 seats. Now they are reported to be uncertain about the Senate, and

have reduced their claims for the House to a 20 seat majority. Nevertheless, the trend over the last year has clearly been toward the Democrats. This trend was confirmed last November when the Democrats made important symptomatic gains in by-elections (Wisconsin, New Jersey) and the White House thought it necessary to initiate the Harry Dexter White smear of the Democrats to escape a

by-election defeat in California. The Democrats also figure they should benefit from this country's historic voting pattern, according to which the party in power usually loses strength in congressional contests where the

presidency is not simultaneously at stake. Eisenhower's personal popularity pulled a number of

GOP candidates into Congress in 1952, but his name won't be on Democratic congressional nomination. More important the McCarthy- was overwhelming - 380,000 to

ites already in Congress, with 168,000. Tremendous majorities Certain political trends can be virtually no exception, easily were rolled up for Kefauver in won renomination in the pri- both working class and farm the primaries was the reduced traced by studying the 1954 primary elections, providing it is maries, often without opposition. districts. One report said the response that all-out, rabid Yet a new element entered the Negroes backed him by 70 to 1. Negro-baiting evoked in some understood that these primaries

give only part of the picture picture-namely, signs that Mc- He carried 91 of the 95 counties states. The Kefauver victory was and do not automatically indicate Carthyite 'smear attacks, which in the state. which party will win in Novem- proved so annihilating in 1950

some of their effectiveness in de-More than three-quarters of the states have already held their feating candidates, at least in mary the redbaiting was on a er, opposed the incumbent Sen-

mally low outside of the South, KEFAUVER WINS

The clearest example was pro- as vice-presidential candidate of give Scott the same treatment vided by the Democratic Ten- the Progressive Party in 1948, that had worked so well in this There were some upsets, but they nessee primary in August. In and although he returned to the state against Graham, whom people must have our own so- audience to support the Socialist renominated. The local party 1950 the McCarthyite red-baiting party soon after, the machine Scott himself had appointed to technique, well-organized and retired him from the Senate in the Senate.

well-financed, was used in the 1950. His chief opponent in this This time they put even more primaries to finish the political year's primary, had the support emphasis on the Negro issue ly avoiding the kind of rebuff careers of two Southern Demo- of the party machine, took it for than in 1950, especially after Democratic chairman Mitchell cratic liberals, Graham of North granted that he could dispose of the Supreme Court handed down Carolina and Pepper of Florida. Taylor with a few passing its decision against school seggot when California voters, dissmears and spent most of his regation 12 days before the pritime attacking the Republicans. mary. Being a Southern liberal, stood, stand to the right of their Condon and nominated James Northern brothers.) Lucas of Il- But Taylor won the nomination. Scott naturally did not defend Roosevelt for Congress.

linois. Tydings of Maryland, and In Arkansas, where no gover- the decision; in fact, he de-NEW DEVELOPMENTS Benton of Connecticut were simnor has failed to win a second nounced it, though more mildly But where primary contests | ilarly retired from the Senate, term during the last 70 years, than Lennon, and tried to have actually took place, there were but in general not primary elecsome new developments. First tions. and most strikingly, in respect The same kind of campaign a runoff by his opponent Faubus, the voting the Lennon forces is-

was carefully mapped out this a man with at least a Fair Deal sued among white voters a vast It would be wrong to think year to remove the liberal Estes past, when neither got a major- number of leaflets calling on

that nationally McCarthyism has Kefauver from the Senate. Mc- ity in the first primary. Cherry Negroes to vote for Scott, for lost significant electoral ground Carthy's oil friends poured big made a big issue of the fact that because of such well-publicized money into the state. Managers Faubus as a youth had attended segregation."

Nothing of this present picture sceps into Eisenhower's report. He does concede that there has HIS BIG LIE This contains the truly Big Lie successful bid to regain a con-Big does concede that there has HIS BIG LIE This contains the truly Big Lie successful bid to regain a con-Big does concede that there has HIS BIG LIE This contains the truly Big Lie successful bid to regain a con-Big does concede that there has HIS BIG LIE Big does concede that there has HIS BIG LIE This contains the truly Big Lie successful bid to regain a con-Big does concede that there has HIS BIG LIE Big does co keen a "rather minor decline," of Eisenhower's report - the gressional seat from New Jer- ed to direct the campaign of Rep. torney General's "subversive" voters saw through the trick this happily "halted," that "affected "more nearly peace economy" and sey, Jack Tenney's loss of his Sutton. Kefauver was accused of list. But this smear failed to time, and Scott was nominated trast to the original hydrogen- which make the thoughts which ser ously some industries, com- a "nearly one-fifth" decline in State Senate post in California being a "left winger," a "cod- turn the trick, Faubus winning without a runoff. munities and groups. . " Among war spending. On Aug. 14 two and Robert L. Jones' defeat in dler of communists," and an "in- by a few thousand votes. The It was essentially the same ternationalist" who was opposed Alsops say "these charges are story in Alabama. Sen. Spark- the city of Washington in its categories are "factory employ- ment, the Office of Business For one thing, while the to "the American way of life." thought to have helped Faubus." On the Republican side, the liberal even by Southern stan- out. "It would also cover a surhumiliating defeat of Robert L. prices and incomes." In short, ed to bolster Eisenhower's claims. taken of the fact that in another fauver being accused of having Jones by Margaret Chase Smith who were more openly antijust the workers and farmers This report contains a very part of New Jersey another Mc- "sold out the South" for not in the Maine primary also can Negro in their election propahave been "seriously affected" by revealing figure on war spending. Carthyite, T. James Tumulty, denouncing the Supreme Court be listed as evidence that smears ganda, but won renomination in Maryland is 200 miles long and not produced by our first H-bomb have lost some of their potency the primary. James Folsom, 120 miles wide.

In general the more conserva- The Tennessee, Idaho and Artive candidates in Democratic kansas results signify a certain primaries appeared to be run- weakening of the effectiveness ning into difficulties where there of McCarthyite redbaiting, due

was a serious contest. partly to a growing concern over Sen. McClellan barely manag- rising unemployment and falling ed to win the Arkansas nomina- farm prices. But it must be retion for the U.S. Senate from membered that most of these his Fair Deal opponent, McMath. manifestations to date have tak-The timing of the primary may en place inside the Democratic well have been the decisive fac- Party.

It is safe to conclude that tor in the outcome. If the primary had been held a few months Democratic primary voters toearlier, before rather than after day are more immune to naked the Army-McCarthy TV hear- McCarthyism than they were ngs where the conservative Mctwo and four years ago. But is Clellan cast himself in the role that true of the voters as a of a staunch anti-McCarthyite, whole, including the sizable the liberal McMath might have number of independent voters who usually decide elections? So von.

In the Texas primary the di- far, we have no way of knowing vision was not so much between for sure, although we strongly conservatives and liberals as be- suspect that the same forces ween Dixiecrats and "loyalist" | which produced this shift away Democrats. Gov. Shivers, who from McCarthyism among Democrossed party lines to back crats are at work and similarly Eisenhower in 1952, beat the influencing voters who are not regular Democrat, Yarborough, enrolled as Democrats.

CAN LOSE ADVANTAGES

Will the Democrats reap the But this year, although Shivbenefits of this shift in the geners led Yarborough by a narrow margin, he was unable to get a eral electorate? That depends on majority, and was forced into a how they handle the McCarthyrunoff which will be held on ism issue in the campaign. If A second trend expressed by Aug. 28. "Loyalist" Democrats they go through with their prelike Lyndon Johnson and Sam sent announced intention of ig-Rayburn, who are conservative noring it, as reported in last like Shivers but stuck to the week's Militant, they can lose their advantages altogether. Canparty ticket in 1952, were redidates like Taylor in Idaho, who nominated without difficulty.

DEMOCRATS BENEFIT The Texas primary shows a

is opposed by the 100% McCarthyite, Dworshak, will surely go down to defeat if they don't raise the McCarthy issue aggressively.

torial and senatorial primaries In summary, we would say mark a strengthening of liberal that on the whole the primaries tendencies. The rejection of exconfirm other signs of a shift treme Negro-baiting in North to the Democrats, but it is too Carolina, Alabama and Tennes- early to say that the shift will grow into a sweep that will give see also point to the growth of liberal sentiments among 'Demo- them control of Congress in Nocratic voters. If these trends per- vember.



(Continued from page 1) |British imperialists could not Alsops. But they have kept their contain his emotions because he mouths shut. Dr. Teller even de- realizes that an H-bomb war will nounced Dr. J. Robert Oppen- mean 'total destruction of the the conservative Democratic in- it dismissed as an issue in that cumbent Cherry was forced into campaign. Three days before tist, as a "Soviet agent," because Herald Tribune's correspondent the latter initially opposed mak- puts it."

ing the H-bomb, warning of its Confirming our earlier obserfrightful potential. Even Oppen- vations on the political effects heimer, who was dismissed by of the new H-bomb, the Alsops the AEC, although declared refer to the recent statement by "loyal," could not envision the Churchill to the House of Comreal scope of the H-bomb's dead- mons that "tremendous changes

only one example.

sidered less necessary. Glen Tay- reactionary forces in control of lor broke with the party to run the party machine set out to

and 1952, are beginning to lose SMEARS FAIL

In the Idaho Democratic pri- former Gov. Scott, a Fair Deal-

lesser scale because it was con- ator Lennon, a conservative. The

Another was the North Carolina Democratic primary, where

clear trend toward the Democrats. The Oklahoma guberna-



this "rather minor decline," already "halted."

The Eisenhower school of which is also the basis of Eisen economics adds this up, as his hower's report, "national security time when economic miracles less than \$6 billion below the were being wrought." How an highpoint of post-World War I' 8.1% decline in manufacturing military spending, \$50,274,000,000 and mining output and the "ad- in the fiscal year ending June 30, ed by Eisenhower in terms of the ning at something less than 9% is drawn." decline in military expenditures. American capitalism under the outlay. It is more than three times Republican liberal from Oregon Republican administration, he of \$13,009,000,000. These are the it up to the Senators to 'fish or says, wrought a "miracle" because it "halted" the decline fgures given in Eisenhower's own cut bait.' despite "the difficulties of shifting budget issued last Jan. 21.

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the seriously affected economic days after Eisenhower's state- the Maine Senate primary.

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nearly full-scale war economy in

In Guatemala "non-communist

that between 5,000 and 8,000 peo-

ple have been thrown in jail," re-

ports CIO official Daniel Benedict

(Aug. 16 CIO News).

beace-time.

quarter of this year, the period

ment, particularly in the durable Economics of his Department of Thomas debacle attracted a lot Appeals to white supremacy sengoods industries and "agricultural Commerce issued a report design- of attention, little notice was timents were also employed, Ke-At the close of the second had no difficulty in winning a school decision.

report puts it, to "a period of preat prosperity" and, indeed "a time "when economic minor the security" outlays were running at a rate of \$44,500,000,000 a year. That is time "when economic minor the security" and indeed "a time "when economic minor the security" and indeed "a time "when economic minor the security" and indeed "a time "when economic minor the security" and indeed "a time "when economic minor the security" and indeed "a time "when economic minor the security" and indeed "a time "when economic minor the security" and indeed "a time "when economic minor the security" and indeed "a time "when economic minor the security" and indeed "a time "when economic minor the security" and the security "and indeed "a time "when economic minor the security" and the security "and indeed "a time "when economic minor the security" and the security "a security "a security" and the security "a security "a security" and the security "a security

(Continued from page 1) snake. We shall hold him in the sistence of the Democrats, reafverse effects of shrinking export 1953, during the Korean War. It hollow of our hands. We shall firmed and even made more The liberals and the Eisenhower

> below the peak Korean War Morse, the great independent Dies of Texas. greater than the 1950 expenditure followed with the cry: "We put The bill was then passed in the

> > "Let me say to the Senator that

Senate 85 to 1 and sent to the House where it passed 208 to 100. The Democratic liberal states-According to the latest reports, baiting after each of these The Eisenhower "miracle" has man, Herbert Lehman joined in the legal difficulties raised by the been to keep the economy from the chorus: The bill to outlaw the

administration are being ironed opened the door wide to Mcgoing into a complete and rapid Communist Party "avoids all cut in an attempt to avoid a veto.

When Senator Butler (R-Md.), ADMIT IT'S ANTI-LABOR the leader of the drive to pass

In the debate on the Butler of spies last autumn. the union-busting measures, said, bill Senator Lehman said it would The liberals never learn. They "constitute an extremely serious Terror in Guatemala the outlawing of the Communist threat to the great organized continue to play the same game until, if permitted, they will open

Party involves very serious con- labor movement in this counthe doors of power to the fascist In Guatemala "non-communist stitutional questions," the liberals try. . . The bill would place in howled these objections down with the hands of an Attorney Gen-McCarthyites. of, strong trade union feelings the cry: "let's quit horsing eral who might be antagonistic THE BETRAYERS

around" with "legal technicalities to labor, a powerful weapon to ripple labor, to break strikes."

by the score . . . it is estimated and details." Butler and the other Repub- Yet Lehman and the others voted belongs however with the labor licans, caught up in the stampede, for the measure a few hours later officials. We should know by now servient to the employers gov-issuing a report on what we callon returning from Guatemala quickly changed their own tactics, when it was tacked on to the bill that the liberals will play the They forgot their constitutional to outlaw the Communist Party. game of the reactionaries in every objections to the outlaw measure in turn forgot their opposition to munist Party because that would the wretched liberals and tell the it happen before the lesson is told officially is still not about union busting, and the day ended be thought control. Yet they workers to support them and learned? The time grows short, the latest bomb . . . but about with a vote of 85 to 0 for the proposed this very measure them- depend on them.

to the House which had under through Congress shouting all same gospel of supporting the Eisenhower is building there is consideration the same anti-union the McCarthyite arguments and Democratic Party at all costs are the grave danger of the Mclegislation contained in Butler's slogans. equally responsible. original bill. They added the out- How did all this happen? The The unions and the political Senate bill would weaken the ad- escape the whip of McCarthyism tical party. ministration's witch hunt. in the 1954 elections by playing The labor bureaucrats are ad- experience?

But the Senate, on the in-the McCarthy game themselves. ditionally responsible for the There is nothing new in this, present situation because of the despicable role they have played markets and unbalanced produc- is higher than the \$43,848,000,000 have a club in our hands. . . I do sweeping the criminal offense Republicans have been playing in the witch hunt. The labor fell out over Long Island, "but tion" on farm incomes constitute spent in 1952. The rate of military not intend to be a half patriot. clauses. The Wall Street Journal, this game for a long time. Every bureaucrats have been pleading it was no longer noxious and no an "economic miracle" is explain- spending, in other words, is run- I will not be lukewarm. The issue Aug. 19, says these new amend- time McCarthy hits them in the with the reactionary union ments, "sponsored by the 'liberals' teeth with a red smear they busters - look, we've cleaned our Energy Commission." Can they were borrowed from a proposal respond by trying to outdo Mc- house. We have conducted our say how far and in what direcfirst drawn up by Rep. Martin Carthy's red-baiting. They think own witch hunt. We have hounded tion noxious particles from an the militants and left wingers out H-bomb will travel? this will undermine him.

of the unions. We have co- MILITANT'S WARNING But every time McCarthy comes operated with the FBI in blackout on top. He gives his oplisting "subversives" and purging ponents a double dose of redthem from the plants. Now won't you please recognize that we are episodes. Last week Congress "good," "clean" and "responsible" inions and let us alone? Carthy's fascist drive. He got

having "aided our cause of non-

#### his biggest boost since Brownell WHAT THEY WANT smeared Truman as a protector

is to redouble their attack on the the capitalist press, the Militant nerable to have real value."

unions. What the labor officials reconstructed what had really can't get through their thick happened at Bikini. We pointed skulls is that the employers are out the unexpected factor of the not interested in the unions tremendously enlarged range of fighting "Communism" in the deadly radioactivity created by abstract. What they want is to the new bomb.

The primary responsibility for use the fight against "Com- At the same time, we charged what is happening in Congress munism" to soften up the unions, that the Administration was cremake them weak-kneed and sub- ating a diversion by suddenly ernment and then smash them. ed the "obsolete" H-bomb ex-The whole situation cries out ploded 16 months before. We For the last few years the critical situation. The labor of for a new policy of independent noted that in all the government a murderous struggle for marand proposed to hitch the Butler liberals have been sounding off ficials are criminally betraying political action. Labor has gotten statements, including those by kets, raw materials, new fields union-smashing proposals on to on how they have fought all the interests of the working class another dose of the liberal Eisenhower and AEC Chairman for investment. In the end, as it the Humphrey bill. The liberals measures to outlaw the Com- when they put all their faith in medicine. How many times must Strauss, "what we have been has done twice in 40 years, cap-

miles.

In addition to the menace of a the 'baby' H-bomb device! . . ." whole package. The bill then went selves and steamrollered it The Stalinists who preach the police state on the model that CHURCHILL'S CHANGE

The April 4 Militant put specwho today wield the titanic anial stress on "the grotesque specnihilating power of atomic de-Carthyite fascists. The struggle with the fascists tacle of Prime Minister Winston struction. The workers of Amerlaw measure to this bill but the answer is brutally simple. The organizations of the working and police staters is for keeps. Churchill blubbering before the ica, first of all, have the duty to lauses making membership liberal Democrats, charged by class are put on the chopping The workers of Europe learned House of Commons on March 23, build their own party to estabpunishable were removed. Eisen- the McCarthyites with "treason" block by this policy of sup-through bitter experience what when he spoke of the 'stupendous lish a Workers' and Farmers hower and Brownell had in- and "softness" toward the "red porting the liberal capitalists and such events as the Week of the problems and perils' of the new government and to build a socialtervened with the plea that the menace" buckled and decided to remaining chained to their poli- Great Liberal Collapse meant. H-bomb exploded by the U.S. ist planned society of cooperative Must we go through the same . . ." We added: "This vilest and production for use, not profits,

most cold-blooded leader of the under the workers control.

iness. have taken place in the whol One of the new bombs-in conbomb device set off in Nov. 1952 were well founded and well knit -- "would not merely consume together a year ago utterly obsolete." man, whom it is hard to call a blast and heat," the Alsops point changes," which the Alsops say dards, was opposed by candidates rounding area about the size of circle of the American governthe state of Maryland with dan- ment," are the unforseen powers gerously radioactive matter." But that's not the ultimate range of these bombs. Carried

one knew about it but the Atomic

strategic position in the world These "tremendous are "also agitating the inner of the new H-bomb, "which were test in 1952.'

In short, Churchill went along with the original H-bomb and by swift winds or ocean currents the "strategic position" engenthe pulverized radioactive earth dered by it—that is, the strategy lifted by an H-bomb can 'travel of an anti-Soviet atomic warhundreds and even thousands of until the super-duper H-bomb opened the probability that Eng-The Alsops report that the cloud land would be physically exterfrom one of the Nevada A-bombs

minated in an H-bomb war. Particularly, as the Alsops further note, because "the H-bomb tested by the Russians last summer was of the new type."

The far-reaching meaning of the new H-bomb phenomenon has already caused the American Civil \*Defense Administration to

tear up all its old plans, report Last April 5, the Militant warned of the "world catastrothe Alsons. And. "by the same phic nature of the new Htoken, Prime Minister Churchill bombs." Our articles gave the used this new phenomenon to most complete description to justify abandonment of Britain's date of the true nature of the great Suez base." The base. H-bomb's power. By piecing to- which stretches along 100 miles The answer of the union busters gether bits of information from of the canal, is "now too vul-

SOCIALISM IS ANSWER

But the fears of the rulers of the great capitalist powers are no guarantee that imperialism will not let loose the new H-bomb that can spread a death pall of millions of tons of pulverized radioactive earth over humanity. Inexorable laws of economic decline. leading to economic cannibalism, drive capitalism into italism will seek to save itself by world war.

There is no alternative to this fate except to take the power away from the ruling classes



In the mid-thirties when the fascist madness had swept from Italy to Germany and was cropping up in Spain, a novel by Sinclair Lewis, "It Can't Happen Here," achieved nation-wide fame. It was a savage thrust at the fat-headed notion America is immune to fascism

Had Lewis lived to see Congress in action last week, outlawing political liberties in America and passing police-state legislation against the unions, he could have prided himself on his keenness of vision. For that wild stampede headed by the so-called "pro-labor" liberals was a preview of how Congress will abdicate if McCarthy succeeds in taking over the White House.

It was as if Congress had decided to stage a dress rehearsal of their projected repetition of that shameful scene in German history where the Reichstag, after Hitler was appointed Chancellor, voted for everything he demanded, thus abdicating its constitutional powers to the Nazi dictator.

It would be difficult to find a more perfect illustration of how the liberals, who claim leadership in the struggle to safeguard democracy, collapse at the critical moment. It was not even a question of storm troopers knocking at their doors. They dropped on their bellies before fascist demagogue McCarthy simply because he pointed a contemptuous finger at them and called them names. In all history can a more glaring case of cowardice be found?

Aug. 11.

It Can Happen Here But it was not simply that the liberal American Senators and Congressmen are the most he was assassinated by Stalin's

cowardly breed of curs to be found in the agent in Mexico just 14 years world's legislative halls. They were acting in ago. But no American, living or dead, did more than Trotsky to accordance with the iron logic of their politics. explain the nature of McCarthy-This has always been, as it always will be, to ism and to show how to fight seek leadership of progressive causes in order this fascist menace successfully. to stab them in the back at the precise moment Trotsky's study of fascism bethe greatest fortitude is required. In the final gan after World War I, while Mussolini was still trying to analysis they were simply telling the people: come to power, and continued to "Don't depend on us in the fight against Mc- his death in 1940. His analysis Carthyism and the anti-labor drive of Big of this phenomenon, which baf-Business. We will sell you out. See, here is fled most of the other political leaders of his time, was enriched how we do it."

by his mastery of Marxism, the But let us not put too much blame on this science of socialism, and by his cringing pack. They acted in accordance with own active participation in the the nature of a capitalist liberal. The ones who class struggle on the side of the deserve to be given the whip for their role are exploited and oppressed workers and farmers. That is why his the labor bureaucrats who have been preach- writings on this subject, although ing that we must have confidence in the written in another time and place, Humphreys, the Douglases, the Lehmans, the have so much to teach American Morses and the rest of these "champions" of anti-fascists today.

There isn't room here to even labor and civil liberties. list Trotsky's articles, discus-The full responsibility for the debacle in sions, pamphlets and books on Congress rests squarely on the shoulders of fascism. On German fascism alone, BEFORE the Nazis came Reuther, Meany, Lewis and the other labor bureaucrats who have deliberately refused to to power, he wrote two full books and dozens of articles. (Few put labor's own representatives in office. They predictions in political history and the Stalinists who have seconded their were confirmed so brilliantly on policy of betrayal - bear the responsibility. tragically as his prediction that

Let every worker study very carefully what Hitler would surely become dichappened in Congress last week and draw the tator if the working class parties appropriate lesson. IT CAN HAPPEN HERE! continued their false policies. Years later he told members of

## "Immunity" from What?

name of "national security," to grant the The 83rd Congress will be remembered for witness "immunity" from prosecution. The having passed more legislation curbing the civil judge compliantly signs such an order. The liberties of the American people than any other session in the nation's history. Although witness is then recalled. If he still refuses to talk, he will be cited and prosecuted for conit did not receive the most publicity, none of these police state laws was more pernicious tempt. In addition to losing his job, which is France beginning in 1934, the what has happened to most witnesses up to struggle against Spanish fascism or far-reaching than the so-called "immunity" now, he also is threatened with losing his law, passed by the Senate without a roll-call vote and sent to Eisenhower for signature on liberty.

But he doesn't escape penalty even if he feels compelled to talk. If he doesn't implicate (Excerpts from some of these tion of the proletariat's class related and feed on each other. other people whom the committee is out to works are compiled in the Pio-struggle." (Introduction to Living get, whether or not they are innocent, then he neer Publishers pamphlet, "Fas- Thoughts of Marx, 1939,) cism-What It Is, How to Fight can always be cited for perjury by the simple It.") even an ordinary witness terrorized by his own HOW TO RECOGNIZE IT nevice of getting a professional stoolpigeon, or Here we propose only to brief-"immunity" proceedings, to give contradictory ly review Trotsky's contributions testimony. to the understanding of fascism

And if he does talk, he is not really guar- and of the program needed to anteed against prosecution - for the "im- defeat it. What is fascism, how do you munity" extends only to the federal government, and can be disregarded by zealous state

Leon Trotsky spent only a few nonths in the United States-in 1917, shortly before he returned to join Lenin in leading the Russian Revolution-and Roosevelt refused to permit even his dead body to cross the border after

warnings by saying "Germany

Trotsky also dealt extensively

with the growth of fascism in

in the civil war of 1936-9, and,

after he came to Mexico in 1937,

is different from Italy.")

Leon Trotsky

him as one in 1938 nobody whol What such people don't undertain their influence over the pretended to be a Marxist chal- stand was explained long ago by Social Democratic workers. and lenged the designation (except Trotsky in his analysis of the kept the labor movement so divided and disoriented in the face maybe the Stalinists, who then, fascist and police state tendenthe Socialist Workers Party that as now, were cuddling up to the cies. The fascists and the police of the fascist menace that it be-Americans who pooh-poohed the Democrats in line with their statesmen both want to destroy came an easy prey for the Nazis. danger of fascism in the U.S. by People's Front policy and who the workers' resistance to wage Successful struggle against saying "America is different were only a few years later cuts, war regimentation, etc.; in fascism is possible only through from Germany" reminded him of this respect, they are alike. But the united action of the labor openly endorsing Hague's can-Germans who had dismissed his

the fascists want to do it by movement. In Germany this completely overthrowing the pomeant first of all a united front litical structure of democratic of the working class parties

which dominated the labor movement. In the U.S. it means first this structure, from which their of all joint anti-fascist action molition of labor organizations, own political power derives; in by the AFL, CIO and independent on the destruction of social re- this respect they are different. unions. Both the German experience and Trotsky's teachings confirm the necessity for an American Congress of Labor to unite all sections of the labor

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That is McCarthy's game too, seem to be pushed to the right

to unfold his program carefully to move to the right). But the and a piece at a time. The fas- rightward movement of the govcist nature and methods of Mc- ernment and its increasing de-Carthyism have been demon- parture from traditional politistrated so consistently in the cal practices result not in weak-Militant that we will not at- ening or "outflanking" the fas-

government, pushing and prod- tus quo, as Trotsky advocated, ding it further to the right and they staked all their hopes on to the use of more and more un- the democratic capitalists to save democratic practices. And on the them from fascism. other side it builds its own forces In the 1932 election the Social

inside and outside the govern- Democrats voted for and tagged along behind President Hindenment in preparation for the time when it can replace the (in- burg, against whom Hitler was running. They hailed Hindencreasingly discredited) police statesmen with outright fascist burg's reelection as a crushing defeat for Hitler. But less than rule.

three months later the man they Those people who arbitrarily had elected President as an antiseparate the two complementary fascist bowed to the decision of capitalist tendencies and see only Big Business and appointed Hitone side of McCarthy's function ler Chancellor. Another three are incapable of contributing months and the labor movement much to the struggle against was smashed and the Social either McCarthy or Eisenhower. Democratic leaders were either in concentration camps, exile or

FOR UNITED ACTION In advising the German work- graves.

ers how to prevent the victory In America today the 1932 of Hitlerism, Trotsky had to policy of the German Social combat two suicidally false pol-Democrats is being repeated all icies. His criticism of those polover again. The American labor icies is relevant to our own leaders have no anti-McCarthy struggle against McCarthyism. program of their own. They rely

The Stalinists, guided by Staon the Democrats, or even on lin, not only equated Hitler with Eisenhower, to save them somehow from McCarthyism. But Schleicher, but even worse equated the leadership of the reform-Eisenhower follows in the path ist Social Democratic Party with of Hindenburg and the Democrats capitulate to McCarthyism both of them. For the Stalinists, Social Democracy and fascism on one issue after another. And were "twins," and the Social the Stalinists, having learned no-Democrats were nothing but thing from Germany, repeat the 'social fascists." As a result crimes here not of the German they rejected Trotsky's call for Stalinists but of the German Social Democrats: they too plead an anti-fascist united front of all working class organizations. in 1954 for the election of the This made it possible for the Democrats as the answer to Mc-Social Democratic leaders to re-Carthyism

LESSON TO BE LEARNED

"America is different from Germany." But it won't be if the American workers permit a repetition here of the German workers' errors. The answer to McCarthvism is not class collaboration with one section of the capitalist class, but class struggle against all its sections, and class struggle on the political field can be waged only if the American workers organize their own independent Labor Party, based on a consistently anti-capitalist program capable of winning the sympathy of the middle class people McCarthy is wooing. If they wage this struggle resolutely, America can be spared the horrors of fascism. movement and its non-capitalist That is the lesson Trotsky struggle drew for the American workers

against McCarthyism. in the last years of his life. It is a FOR CLASS STRUGGLE thousand times more true and The German Social Democrats practical than the statements and contributed as much to Hitler's programs of all the labor, libvictory as the Stalinists, but in eral and Stalinist leaders coma different way. Instead of pro- bined. Those of us who are gratemoting united action of the ful to Trotsky for helping us working class on a socialist pro- learn this lesson can best show gram that would appeal to the our gratitude by helping to desperate middle class elements teach it to our fellow-workers.

What does fascism want? capitalism, while the police "Fascism," Trotsky explained, statesmen want to do it through forms and on the complete an- But there is something more, and the manifestations of fascism in nihilation of democratic rights, Trotsky pointed this out too. the U.S. before World War II. in order to forestall a resurrec- These two tendencies are inter-

though he has to mask it, and (or rather, the freer they fee

perialism.

RECALLS TROTSKY

In an article in a British Sun

day newspaper two weeks ago,

Morrison outlined his position on

the agreement of the British gov-

lum to a Polish refugee.

Klimovicz. Expanding on the gen-

The stronger fascism becomes the more the police statesmen

tempt here to do it again. But cists but in strengthening them. we think it is enlightening to This is because fascism plays a recognize it? This was not an touch once more on the impor- double role:

didates). THE FASCIST GOAL bases its program on the de-

one legal protection: They could invoke the Fifth Amendment which prohibits people from being compelled to give witness against themselves. Only in this way could "unfriendly' witnesses escape "perjury" convictions resulting from contradictory testimony by paid informers; only in this way could they avoid giving testimony that would be twisted by the witch hunters to victimize other persons.

The notorious House Un-American Acti-

vities Committee, headed by Velde of Illinois,

which had led the move for passage of this

law, took it for granted that Eisenhower would

sign the measure, and announced through a

spokesman that it would put it to use "at the

first opportunity." The first opportunity

will probably be at the committee's hearings in

Up to now witnesses grilled by the Velde,

McCarthy and Jenner committees had only

Newark, beginning Sept. 27.

The new law sweeps this last safeguard away. Here is how it will work:

A witness called before one of the inquisition committees refuses to answer questions on the grounds of his rights under the Fifth Amendment. The committee excuses him temporarily, and then sends a member of its staff next door to a federal court and asks a judge, in the

scalps.

is the power it gives McCarthy, Velde, Jenner prison for subversion."

objection on procedural, not political grounds.

### The "Studebaker Plan" Spreads

It took but 24 hours to confirm our warning in the August 16 issue that "if Studebaker puts over its demanded wage cut, it will embolden other corporations to try the same thing. It may well signal the launching of a general wage-slashing offensive by Big Business." On Aug. 17, one day after publication of our Militant banner headline, "Fear Studebaker Will Spark Industry Wage Offensive," two of the country's big corporations also demanded that their workers take pay cuts. And they also used Studebaker's argument that wage slashes are required "in order to improve the competitive position. . ."

First of all, in the auto industry itself, the American Motors Corporation, recent merger of Nash and Hudson, told the CIO United Automobile Workers that contract changes are needed "to put American Motors in a better competitive position." The company did not ask specifically for hourly rate changes, but for increases in production standards and alterations in contractual provision for lost time, grievances and seniority provisions. This would mean more output for the same money - or the same production for small pay.

Armour & Co., one of the three largest meatpackers, demanded that CIO United Packinghouse Workers Local 347 in Chicago take a 7-cent-an-hour wage reduction. Local 347 disclosed the company's demand in a leaflet announcing the taking of a strike vote.

Just as the labor movement of the thirties faced Remington-Rand's "Mohawk Vallev Formula" for union-busting, so American labor today is confronted with a "Studebaker Plan" to destroy union wages and working conditions.

and city witch hunters on the lookout for

Thus the practical effect of the new law and Co. to tell anyone they drag into a hear- the same at each stage of its deing: "Talk, or go to jail for contempt. And velopment-at its birth, when it once you start talking, your testimony had is winning a mass following, durbetter be the kind that will fan the anti- ing its bid for power, after it communist hysteria, or you'll end up in cally immature fail to undereither a federal prison for perjury or a state stand that a fascist movement,

P.S. This police state law was passed with the aid of a majority of the Democratic members of the House, and with only one Democratic member of the Senate expressing an

This latest offensive of the corporations is timed to their advantage. It comes at a period ate, formal and mere adaptions of growing unemployment and when the expressed only scorn for those atmosphere is so permeated with the anti- groups who today deny the fas-"communist" witch hunt that people are more cist character of McCarthyism terrorized in the exercise of their rights than because it lacks the national at any time since the founding of the republic. But the American labor movement stood up thyism at the present, relatively to and smashed the "Mohawk Valley Formula" under much more adverse circumstances than differs outwardly in some ways exist today. It did it in the midst of a severe from Hitlerism after it became depression with more than 10,000,000 unemployed. It did it with a considerably smaller, weaker and less experienced union movement.

Today, organized labor is so massive and formidable it is but necessary for the unions, show they mean business against any company that tries it, in order to stop the latest antilabor offensive in its tracks.

forced it down the Studebaker workers' throats. That didn't ensure any more job security to the breakers, etc. Studebaker workers. But it did give the green light to another auto corporation - and still others will follow - to demand elimination of hard-won union contract conditions.

It is not the job of the unions to help to raise wages and improve conditions everywhere to the level of the best in the industry anti-union demands that will end with the destruction of the unions themselves.

tant distinction Trotsky made be isolated its essential features. tween fascism and what is to-Only the simple-minded think day commonly called "the police that all fascists wave the swas-

state.' tika or wear colored shirts. Only Hitler's government was preformalists expect fascism to look ceded by a number of shortlived governments which tried to solve for the German capitalist class the same problems Hitler sought to solve for them, but by has won power. Only the politidifferent means. As Trotsky wrote in 1926, "The big bourgeoisie likes fascism as little as mon front between the Stalinist leaders flouting the wishes of

if it is to acquire serious a man with aching molars likes strength, must take into account to have his teeth pulled." national traditions and customs These pre-Hitler governments, different from those in other headed by Bruening, Papen and countries and must therefore assume unique organizational and Schleicher, all moved steadily to both Moscow and London are with impunity. the right, seeking to tame the ideological forms.

elements in the various national decrees, suspension of laws, extraordinary legislation, etc., hopfascist movements, and was able to show which elements, even ing they could save the capitalist system without resorting to the though common, were subordin-

expensive tooth-pulling that Hitto time and place. He would have ler represented. CONFUSION

This resulted in a certain amount of confusion. These governments seemed to be stealing ernment to grant political asytrappings of European fascist large parts of Hitler's program movements, or because McCarand putting them into practice. Professional confusionists (the eral question of political refuearly stage of its development Kremlin and the German Stalina movement big enough to take difference between these gov- Britain in 1930. He remarked power.

THE HAGUE EXAMPLE

sey City launched a drive to pre- doing what Hitler would do anyvent the CIO from organizing how. or an important section of them, to unitedly the plants in his bailiwick. CIO The chief beneficiary of this demand a halt to the "Studebaker Plan" to organizers, Norman Thomas and stupidity was Hitler because it even Democratic congressmen led the people who were influwere forcibly run out of town enced by it to underestimate the for trying to exercise their rights danger of the Nazis. (When Hit-

to meet, speak or pass out lit- ler did take over, he didn't mere-In the Studebaker case, the top CIO United erature. Most of the repression ly try to control the workers Automobile Workers leaders, headed by Walter was carried out by Hague's cops, organizations by bureaucratic Reuther, fell in with the company's scheme and but he also utilized extra-legal measures, he smashed them alwardheelers, Legionaires, strike- rights with them.)

A similar tendency is obser-Trotsky didn't hesitate for a vable in this country today minute to characterize Hague: among people who insist that "He has nothing to do with Mus- McCarthyism is not the greatest name is the National Executive solini or Hitler, but he is an danger because the Eisenhower trying to achieve by this riga-

American fascist." True, Hague regime, which has government marole? Are they attempting to appease the N.K.V.D. and the was a Democrat, even a national power (unlike McCarthy), is corporations to compete. It is their job to fight vice-chairman of his party (just using it to carry out the main **Un-American** Activities Commitas McCarthy is a Republican). points in his program. "Watch tee by the same single act?" The bulk of the Labor Party True, Hague didn't sport a swas- Brownell, not McCarthy," they tika (any more than McCarthy cry, "Brownell has put more peorank and file who have been "probing" McCarthy, voted for and then to keep on fighting to improve that does). True, Hague operated ple in jail than McCarthy, and aroused by the witch-hunting the Mundt-Nixon police state bill "best." If wage-cutting gets into full swing, mainly "within the law," as he anybody who fails to center his edict are motivated by two main and the Taft-Hartley Law and it will set into motion a vicious spiral of other net union demonds that will be the spiral of other Carthy does). considerations. (1) They are defended the House Un-American Brownell is diverting us from angered by any attempt of the Activities Committee when he But Hague was a fascist just the main struggle against re- right wing to protect their bur- was a GOP member of Congress. the same, and when we branded action."

**British Labor Paper** 

allies in a militant

proscriptions. The curtailment of tive I don't fear its arguments. motivated in part it appears, by party democracy in a period of Bad arguments can be answered a desire to please the Malenkov deep division in the Labor Party by better arguments. How long regime by offering them the touches the rank and file in a must it be before Morrison and scalp of a British "Trotskyist" sensitive spot, particularly when Company understand that first they see these same right-wing principle of freedom?' publication. Formation of a com-

The editor of the New Statesbureaucracy and Anglo-American the membership in attempting to man and Nation, which had wide capitalism against revolutionary impose a Tory foreign policy on circulation among the left insocialism is one of the aims of the movement and in attacking tellectuals, denounced the ban "peaceful coexistence" for which various sections of the party and will speak at a protest meeting together with Michael Foot and other leading labor journal-

(2) They are determined to pressing at present. The banning Trotsky located the essential working class by bureaucratic of the Socialist Outlook is a preserve the tradition of a free ists. small reciprocal gesture for the press. Thus the gag on the So-

nalistic and intellectual circles

in the Labor Party.

an Outrage."

"LIFT THE BAN" Stalinist betrayal of the Indo- cialist Outlook at once aroused

The Socialist Outlook has taken up the challenge boldly. This week's issue appears with its banner headline in red ink:

Michael Foot voices these sen-LIFT THE BAN. timents in his forthright attack In an article signed by G. on the NEC, which appeared on Healy, a member of the Editorthe front page of the Tribune ial Board, Socialist Outlook asunder the headline, "I Call This

so far as I am aware," he de- the paper and what it has done gees, Morrison devoted quite a clared, "the leaders of the Labor to help clarify isues for the rank ists particularly) thereupon few lines to Leon Trotsky's re- Party have taken steps to sup- and file of the party.

Healy expresses confidence that the left wing will shortly win the leadership of the Labor

In 1938 Mayor Hague of Jer- power since Bruening et al were fused Trotsky asylum out of con- and for large fees for any of the Because of the extent of the sideration for its diplomatic re- dozens of newspapers which atopposition to the ban it is felt lations with the Stalinist regime tack the Labor Party every day, that there is every possibility

which was persecuting the co- but that they will risk their the NEC will be forced to refounder of the Soviet Union. membership cards if they ever treat. But in any case the fight-Was it an accident that Herbert dare to write for a paper some ing response of the Socialist Out-Morrison felt it necessary to of the contributors to which have look has already won it a host mention this appeasement of the had past associations with the of new friends and supporters.

Stalinist bureaucracy precisely Arch-Fiend Trotsky?" "I for one read Socialist Outwhen he was preparing to denounce "Trotskyists in the Labor look and I propose to go on doing so. Neither Mr. Herbert Party"? Morrison nor Mr. Morgan Phil-Michael Foot, a Bevanite memlips (General Secretary of the ber of Parliament who writes a Labor Party) nor anyone else slashing attack on the NEC ban is going to stop me. It so hap-

Chinese people to French im- widespread protest among jour-

observed: "What in heaven's But unlike the National Execu-

#### 'Impartial'?

Sat., Sept. 11, 8 P. M. California Hall E. Wallace Chadwick, Penn-Corner Turk and Polk Sts. sylvania lawyer picked as counsel for the new Senate committee Auspices **Kutcher Civil Rights** 

Committee Donation 50 cents

Speaks on

My Case — the Case

of the Legless Veteran

eaucratic positions by bans and He claims he is "impartial."

San Francisco **James Kutcher** 

in this week's Tribune, shrewdly pens I don't agree with its views.

#### raised the cry that there was no quest for political asylum in press a newspaper." "Is the new rule to be," he ernments and Nazism and that significantly that the Labor gov- asks, "that members of the Labor it didn't matter which was in ernment of that time had re- Party may write with impunity Party.

cribes the ban to the fear the right wing of the Labor Party "For the first time in history feels over the fighting policy of

## The Negro Struggle By Jean Blake

Modern John Brown, Chapter II

The fire started by Philip Partridge last July 5 in an attempt to end segregation in a public school in Hillsboro, Ohio, was put out by the fire department before the Jim Crow school was destroyed. But the flame of indignation he kindled in the hearts of the colored parents in that community is burning brightly as they organized to fight the discrimination against their children by other means.

. .

The first step taken by the Negro community was to protest against the Hillsboro school board's proposal to repair the Lincoln elementary school for colored children and to continue using it as a segregated school for two years or "until new elementary schools are completed."

Despite the opposition of the colored population, however, the school board accepted an insurance adjustment of about \$4,300 and has started repair work.

According to the Cleveland Plain Dealer of Aug. 3, "board members said the Negro residents 'are asking the impossible' in seeking integration of their pupils in grades 1 to 6 now. It is a condition, they pointed out, that has existed more than 100 years. . .

"Referring to the crowded condition of the other elementary schools, with a big first grade enrollment coming in this year, one board member said: 'Can they answer the question - where are you going to put them?'

The Cleveland Call & Post of Aug. 7 reports the answer - in action - of the Negro community:

A Citizens Committee for School Integration has been formed in Hillsboro, with Mrs. Irma lean Curtis at its head. She had been approached several times by interested mothers, she reported, but had taken no action previcusly in the hope that the school board would end the segregated pattern following the U.S. Supreme Court decision declaring segregation in public schools unconstitutional.

The committee arranged for a meeting with the school board for Aug. 9 to demand full integration. If it is refused, legal action is planned.

In the petition to the board, Mrs. Curtis and others point out that "71 colored elementary pupils have only two teachers for six grades. They said some children walk over one and one-half miles, passing the white schools, to reach the all-Negro school. . ."

In September, Mrs. Curtis stated to the Call & Post, "We will obey the state law by sending our children to school, but we will take them by the hand and lead them to the white school. If we are refused we will not send them to school at all.

Widespread support for the committee's plan has been expressed in the colored community of Hillsboro, and is spreading to other, larger cities, like Cincinnati.

Meanwhile, the modern John Brown whose action sparked the campaign, awaits a grand jury trial for arson. In an action that indicates a startling similarity to the attitude of earlier white supremacists to the famous John Brown of Abolition days, the authorities are holding Philip Partridge at Lima State Hospital for sanity tests.

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## THE MILITANT

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sands of New York cops were

That this situation hasn't

changed was demonstrated last

New York is no more free of

crime than any other slum-ridden

members.

fascist spewings.

# **McCarthy Probers**

Sen. Arthur Watkins (R-Utah), seated left, who heads new six-man Senate committee to probe fascist Senator McCarthy (R-Wis.). Other committee members shown are, standing left to right, Sen. John Stennis (D-Miss.) and Sen. Francis Case (R-S.D.). Committee members were picked on basis of fact that none had ever said anything against McCarthy.

#### Notes from the News

TRAGIC AFERMATH. Between 1950 and 1953. 30,000 babies were born in Nagasaki, Japan one of the cities the U.S. dropped an atomic bomb on in 1945. Of these, 4,400 were stillbirths - one-seventh of all the babies born between 1950 and 1953! During this same threeyear period 3,630 new-born babies were deformed, many of them "virtual horrors." This means that in that one atom-bombed city, during the years 1950 to 1953, over 8,000 babies were born either dead or deformed - more than 25% of all births! These figures, current up to June 25, 1954, were reported by AFL radio commentator Frank Edwards and printed in the Aug. 1 Midwest Labor World.

ONLY BARBARIANS POISON THEIR ENEMIES, W. Harvey Moore of Britain told more than 350 delegates from 23 nations at the opening of the International Law Association's conference in Edinburgh, Aug. 9. According to the N. Y. Times, Mr. Moore "condemned as contrary to international law on four counts" the use of nuclear weapons: (1.) "atomic or hydrogen weapons would contravene existing international statutes" because they are "poisonous;" (2.) they are "inhuman," since they cause "unnecessary suffering;" (3.) they cannot "be employed without disregarding the historic distinction between

a censorship "to fit his personal ambitions animosities and prejudices," and that Meany's demands "were an affront to the intelligence o millions of AFL members and other American citizens" who listened to broadcasts. The Aug. 13 N. Y. Herald Tribune quotes Edwards as insisting that the underlying reason was an outgrowth of the internal feud in the AFL between Meany and Dave Beck, president of the 1.300,000-member International Brotherhood of Teamsters. Edwards. declaring that "Meany has long been gunning fo me," said he was sponsored for the job, which began on Jan. 1, 1950, by Dan Tobin, now pres. dent-emeritus of the Teamsters. The late William Green was AFL president at the time and Meany was secretary-treasurer.

an imposing list of speakers EARL BROWDER, former head of the Comwhich included Leo Gallagher, munist Party in the United States, is seeking to veteran labor attorney, the Rev. end the perjury indictment against him. Browder Stephen Fritchman, minister of and his wife, Raissa, were named in a five-count the Unitarian Church in which perjury indictment returned in Sept. 1952. They the meeting was held, Paul Jacwere charged with having testified falsely in a 1949 immigration hearing that Mrs. Browder erties Union, and Al' Wirin, wide was never a member of the Communist party. ly known civil liberties attorney. Because of illness. Mrs. Browder obtained a trial George Novack, national secre severance. The government then moved to bring tary of the Kutcher Civil Rights "It is not compulsory loyalty," Browder, named in only one count, to trial. Fed-Committee was chairman. on the motion to dismiss the perjury indictment against Browder.

We Must Fight for Civil Liberties Or Become Slaves, Says Legless Vet dice, loitering, drinking from a common bottle and violation of

#### By Ernest Rief

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 14 — Over 150 people packed Channing Hall last night to hear James Kutcher tell of his fight for reinstatement in his Veterans Administration job from which he was fired six.

years ago because of his politi- Kutcher who in waging his long cal ideas and his membership in for the civil liberties of everythe Socialist Workers Party. The one. meeting was sponsored by the Fritchman said he was tired local Kutcher Civil Rights Com-

of the "little Voltaires" who always start out by saying they solence and defiance as they take don't agree with your ideas The legless veteran of World though they defend your right the cop and remark: 'It's getting War II shared the platform with to express them. He urged everyone to contribute actively to the

case or consider their attendance at the meeting a failure. Wirin scored the witch hunt and said that those who are obs of the American Civil Lib- telling the people what they can't he laments, "because we picked belong to will soon be telling up a few loiterers on suspicion." them what they must belong to.

avor of accepting a 20% pay cut.

raises of a few pennies an hour.

What a reversal of roles! It

Reader

is practiced against Negroes, business will now seek to make telling the workers everything's

If this city is so corrupt that to back it up, we will all wind up the Democrats were the ones who

cops on duty can use police equip- by taking a wage cut. The started the witch hunt and have

Philadelphia, Pa

The same papers tell about the automation, that is, industry is

abor movement of Western Ger- replacing manpower with ma

many, which was reborn less than chines. On some jobs they are

this a pattern for the rest of in- going to be all right if they pu

intelligence along with some guts They seem to have forgotten that

be committed by these same has stated that they must cut road of Tweedle Dee and Tweedle local Negro press, I wondered if

The Big Four packers started time they got a chance.

defenders of "law and order." |\$5,000,000 in labor costs next year Dum - both roads led to the it actually existed.

he said, "but compulsory con-



been punished for his crime.

By Harry Ring York's "finest"? During the past | That the force is a seething NEW YORK, Aug. 18 - Police four years alone, ten innocent nest of political reaction is well Commissioner Adams' drive to get people have been murdered in known. During the thirties, Father cold blood by trigger-happy cops. Coughlin's fascist Christian Front 7,000 more club-swinging cops on And not one of the killers has could boast that literally thouthe New York City payroll is still going strong.

The extent of officially-condon-More than 1,000 people have ed police brutality was indicated been hauled in by the police in a scathing 1953 report of the dragnet. The Daily News feroci-Legal Aid Society. The report April 4 when 6,000 Roman ously demands harsher methods disclosed that of 8,300 arrest Catholic cops, at an annual Holy to "end terror in the streets." cases handled by the Society in Name Society Communion Break-The city magistrates have joined the previous year, one-third show- fast, gave a riotous ovation to in by handing out stiff sentences ed signs of injuries inflicted by Joseph McCarthy and yelled and on a mass production basis. The cops that ranged from bruises stamped their approval of his whole operation is the phoniest of to broken jaws. all phony "anti-crime crusades."

It has ominous implications for NEST OF REACTION the workers, Negroes and Puerto What is involved in the problem city. And it will) remain that way Rican people of this city.

of the New York police is not until every last tenement is Commissioner Adams says he how many cops are sadists and razed to the ground. The addition ordered the wholesale roundup how many are "decent people." of 7,000 cops won't curtail crime. because New York is "on the The fact is that over the years But it will further intensify the verge of becoming a city of the top police brass have con- criminal treatment of innocent violence." Yet practically all of sciously molded the department citizens by cops who are getting the 1,000 dragged into court are into a virulent anti-labor, anti- it pounded into their heads by either kids standing on a corner, minority outfit where a "decent" their superiors that "the time for beggars, peddlers, homeless old cop hasn't a chance to be decent. talk is past."

asleep in a park after midnight. Negroes and Puerto Ricans have been singled out as special targets.

"REGIMENT OF BEGGARS" Tribune is a typical box score from the Bronx: "Those arrested

NEW YORK, August 16 - Plans were announced were charged with using loud and today for an intensive campaign to put the Socialist Workboisterous language, shooting ers Party on this fall's New York state ballot. dice, loitering, drinking from a

park regulations." A N. Y. Post committee announced that it survey of the roundup concludes, would send petition circulators "The dragnet has bagged a regiment of beggars.' into every county of the state to secure the necessary signa-This fake "crusade" is also being used to win support for tures, and it called upon mem-

the notorious brutality of the bers and friends of the party to New York cops. The Aug. 13 aid the work of the campaign. hard battle for justice is fighting Daily News reports with alarm about a group of youngsters The New York state election who sneer at a cop who tells aw requires 12,000 signatures them to stop loitering and move to be secured representing each on, their attitude breathing inof the state's 61 counties. It further specifies that these must be a few steps, stop, coolly look over secured by September 22. so Americans can't stay in their

The petition to be circulated own streets anymore.' will nominate the candidates se-A "high police official" sadly comments, "What can you de lected by the party, David L. with these kids? ... They haven't Weiss for Governor, Dorothy committed any crime. . ." "The Haines for Lieutenant Governor, Civil Liberties Union complains," Catherine Gratta for Attorney General and Harold Robins for Comptroller. Taking a global view of the

problem, the same "high official" The campaign committee in opines, "It is a situation the cop New York City will coordinate has to learn to handle himself. It its work with a similar commitis made more difficult by a rising tee set up in Buffalo spirit of rebellion, not only in Volunteer workers for the cam-New York, but throughout the country and the world . . . paign can report to the New respect for law and order has to York City campaign headquarters be restored and enforced . . . the at 116 University Place, AL. 5-7852 or 831 Main Street, Buffalo. time for talk has passed." Coming from a New York cop At either place their help in the this would be funny if it wasn't campaign to put a socialist ticsuch a grim business. What is ket on the ballot will be warmly the "enforcement" record of New welcomed.



DOROTHY W. HAINES, of Buffalo, candidate of the Socialist Workers Party for Lt. Governor of New York. She was born in Cambridge, Mass., in 1925. During World War II

"REGIMENT OF BEGGARS" Buried at the end of a big lead story in the Aug. 16 Herald Put SWP on NY Ballot The party election campaign •

Ask Volunteers to Help

men, or just someone who fell

combatants and noncombatants;" (4.) they 'con travene the Geneva Convention of 1925 which prohibits the use of asphyxiating, poisonous or other gases, and analagous liquids, materials and devices."

FRANK EDWARDS, \$35,000 a year AFL radio news commentator, was "summarily dismissed just before his scheduled nation-wide broadcast at 9 P.M. Aug. 11. George Meany, AFL president who announced the action, said the cause was "Mr. Edwards' failure to keep news and opinion separate." The Aug. 13 N. Y. Times states that the AFL "felt that in mixing the two. . . Mr. Edwards was weighting his programs on the side of labor generally and the AFL particularly." In Washington, Edwards said he submitted his resignation because Meany attempted to impose

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movement in the shape it was

The road back for the German

workers has been a terrible one.

After the concentration camps and

gas chambers of the Nazis, they

found themselves in a land pul-

verized by war and divided in

half by the conquerors. Germany's

industrial plant was in ruins and

what had escaped bombing was

earmarked for dismantling by the

In the early days of the Allied

occupation, hunger strikes flared

in the Ruhr, but the emaciated

German workers were unable to

throw back the Allied bayonets

that had replaced Hitler's internal

to rebuild the industries from the

have been reporting lucrative

dividend payments to the stock-

holders of the big companies.

corporations. But the trade union 14.)

police. Sullenly they set to work

Allies.

ground up.

their approval.

during the days of Hitler.

THE BAN ON THE TWO-MINUTE SE-QUENCE showing the birth of a buffalo calf in Walt Disney's "The Vanishing Prairie" kicked up so much commotion that the N. Y. Censor Board has reversed its action. The official explanation for the reversal goes like this: While the director of the Board, Dr. Hugh M. Flick, was away on vacation, the Board, "under the acting direction of Mrs. Helen Kellogg," banned the sequence as "indecent." Dr. Flick returned, saw the film and approved it in its entirety. He is quoted by Disney's sales supervisor as saying that the board had no business requesting that the se-

In Nuernberg, employers hired

quence be cut without his knowledge.

plant.

forego heavy pressure for wage increases. An industrial setback followed which lasted until last winter. Aug. 11, the pickets locked arms

which lasted until last winter. Aug. 11, the pickets locked arms the explosive ingredients of their that they were investigating the

used clubs, but their brutality other on the picket line, ex-

trade union bureaucrats to give gave in to demands for a 3-cent of redressing long over-due ac- brought to justice.

This became the signal for the made no dent in the solidity of periencing once again the power some of it by the police. It is also

present action.

ing of a new.

No matter how the strikes end,

the German workers, finding each

counts with Hitler's capitalist

recalling their mighty socialist

tradition that was once the pride

The present strike wave marks

OPENS NEW ERA

Millions on March in Germany

head of the puppet government, police.

could handle the situation.

Whether he can remains to be

Business Week feared that the

strikes might signal the finish of

current strike wave in West Ger-

many. It's bound to lead to higher

wages, hurt the German com-

petitive position in world markets.

The strikes are as important a

sign of change in West Germany

as is the shifting mood in for-

eign policy. The two, together,

At a dozen plants elsewhere in

Bavaria the same day, police

an hour increase. (The current

es are not centrally directed. If Munich police again tried to of the labor movement through-

are acting on their own initiative streets before a plant. Dozens the close of one era and the open-

As the Wall Street Journal puts scale for a skilled worker is only backers, they will also begin

in fighting for higher wages."

CRISIS FOR ADENAUER

(Aug. 11.)

By 1948 profits had begun to may well mean that the Adenauer

show on the balance sheets of the era is coming to an end." (Aug.

leaders persuaded the workers to The militant mood of the strik-

time they did not wait for the ers. Forty-nine firms, in fact,

Federation claims that the strik- On the following day, when

more serious as it shows workers shouting strikers jammed the

and are ahead of their leaders were injured in fist fights.

this is so, the situation is even protect scabs, more than 1,000 out the world.

past few months the newspapers tively blocking them.

"The German Trade Union 44 cents.)

Kutcher pointed out that we formity." often take our freedoms too much

Kutcher will continue his visits for granted, forgetting that our to local unions and other organi ancestors fought for and created zations where he has been disthem. "Now I think we've got to fight for them too, or else we're cussing his case and selling going to become slaves," he con- copies of his book, "The Case of tinued. "The great danger is the Legless Veteran." He will from the American form of to- leave for a tour of Northern talitarianism, which is known by California on Aug. 20. the name of McCarthyism." He also stressed the fact that to

stop McCarthyism we need not only courage and determination but a correct program.

FIGHTS FOR ALL

mittee.

Leo Gallagher reviewed the Studebaker and repressive legislation which has been passed in recent years and German Workers declared that we can have no confidence in either major party Editor:

to defend democratic rights. He as well as Rev. Fritchman and he Studebaker workers in In- leaders are going to go along Al Wirin, expressed gratitude to liana, acting on the advice of with this demand as they did at beir CIO leaders, have voted in Studebaker.

While on 'Duty' a decade ago after suffering producing the same amount with under fascism for 12 years, strik- 5 men where formerly it took 15. ing militantly to win wage

In case you are wondering how

ought to make every American products that these machines from Birmingham should be helpworker stop and think. ful: at least 23 and possibly 5( of Birmingham's 360-man police

Wages and living conditions in his country are still higher than the machines can't eat it." force have been implicated in a those in Germany. But if present trends continue, if the American what these big monied people are ing how the Democrats in the unions don't wake up and start thinking about - don't they know U.S. Senate - liberals, confighting, that may change too.

The policemen - thieves worked

The strike wave was touched haul away the loot. The police Will Studebaker **Example Spread?** 

action will not only begin to think practically never caught and of the labor leaders show some the Democrats, back in office

t would seem to follow that negotiations just after the wage

other crimes such as terror, cut was shoved down the Stude-

ment to commit burglaries for precedent has been set.

she worked as a welder in the Bethlehem Steel yards in Hingham, Mass, After the war she did painting and plastering. fighting prejudice against women craftsmen as well as race bias. She later worked as a punch press operator and electrical worker, and was active in the unions.

## Our Readers Take the Floor

so they can pay for the recon-same house. It's the same with However a friend in South St. version project they have in pro- the Democrats and Republicans, Louis recently had one of the gress. They demand that the they both lead to the same blind NCPA leafets put under her workers stand this loss by taking alley. What is needed is inde- doorstep. The NCPA is very much a 7c. an hour pay cut. I'm wait- pendent political action - a Labor alive and every bit as vicious Today the papers report that ing anxiously to see if the union Party.

The trend today is toward

But, as a worker was asking me

a few days ago, "What is the

company going to do with the

produce? If a man is out of work

He continued, "I don't know

to live? We have to eat the same

as they do. If the working peo-

used the Taft-Hartley Act every

he can't buy it and it's for sure

Packinghouse Worker said. Chicago, Ill.

Frank M. wanted some addi-

tional arguments to convince his

brother that voting for the

Democrats is not the way to stop

Why Not to

Vote Democrat

McCarthyism (Aug. 9).

and dangerous as your article

This leaflet called for a protest meeting against "race-mixing in the schools" at the Kiel Auditorioum (a large city - owned auditorium) on Aug. 26. It said:

"Are 150,000,000 WHITE AMERICANS going to let 9 old men and 16,000,000 Negroes destroy our White American Way of Life? Today they want our schools - tomorrow our daughters.

I don't have any additional ar-"Mongrelization of the White guments of my own, but I would Race is Communism's 5th Column suggest that he show his brother in America. Race-mixing will a copy of the newspapers reportweaken and destroy America's morale, high standards and ability. It will corrupt and pervert that a man should have the right servatives and reactionaries alike us. AMERICA AWAKE BEFORE - jostled and trampled on each IT IS TOO LATE. THE HOUR other in their eagerness to in-IS NOW!"

> It is not easy for me to understand how people with liberal ideas will cover up for an organization like this and keep people

ple are kept in jobs so they can troduce and get credit for passing the McCarthvite bill to outlaw eat, everything will be OK. If we the Communist Party. can't have jobs so we can buy And remember — the vote was something to eat there is going manimous.

Editor:

to be trouble." That in general is the feeling I might also say this: If, after from finding out about it. A lead-The Studebaker workers were of all workers today. There is a this unanimous vote, the meming NAACP member told me that the St. Louis papers will keep bers of the Communist Party do sold a bill of goods by the com- great fear of insecurity because

pany and the union bureaucrats, of all the unemployment and the not rebel against their party's these hate-organizations from to accept a 15% wage cut fear of being railroaded from all program of supporting the Demo- growing by not giving them any amounting to roughly 30c. an jobs because of the thoughtcrats in this year's elections, then hour. This is one of the most control witch hunt and finally the there isn't a really revolutionary criminal acts that have been com- threat of atomic war. grain in their bodies. mitted by the labor fakers. Big But the union leaders ar

Editor:

L. P. New York City More on St. Louis **Race-Baiting Group** 

publicity. I know he believes what he says, but he is surely kidding himself. Without publicity, in a few short years the NCPA is already strong enough to attract crowds large enough to warrant renting a hall in the auditorium. The NAACP after. many years

and quite a bit of publicity cannot I thought your articles on the do the same thing in St. Louis. National Citizens Protective Asso- Congratulations to the Militant The way I see it we have come ciation were exaggerated. Be-for having the courage and foreto a junction of many crossroads, cause I had never read anything bombings and the like may also baker workers' throats. Armour It reminds me of the fork in the about this group in the daily or sight to expose the NCPA.

**Rudy Black** St. Louis, Mo.

series of burglaries and safecracking jobs in which they made 2,500 angry strikers at the gates off with \$50,000 during the last of the big Siemens electrical two years.

up some novel methods. For instance, police cars were used to

would report to headquarters

Birmingham happens to be a

city where a great deal of terror

two years before being detected,

off over purely economic demands. radio system was used to warn But this is no ordinary series of those "on the job" if someone was strikes. It comes after more than coming. The cops used to enter Editor:



By Milton Alvin

Meanwhile in Hamburg, where other people make a living, news

hefts.

workers to begin moving. This the strike of 220,000 metal work- that lies in solidarity and united a fact that the terrorists are dustry to follow. Unless the rest the "friends of labor," meaning

the strike wave started Aug. 4, municipal workers won two-thirds of their 2.3-cent-an-hour wage-

increase demand. This brought Adenauer: "Don't underrate the the strike there to an end. An Aug. 13 tension mounted in Munich as 300 police clashed with