

Text of the National Election Platform

campaigning for public office. Republicans and Demo-

The real issue is fascism and its American name is McCarthyism.

McCarthyism is the gravest threat the American people face. The Senator from Wisconsin is consciously and cunningly building a fascist mass movement to wipe out all democratic forms in this country, to demolish the labor

We are not scare-mongering. We are telling the plain truth when we say that McCartrhy is far more powerful, far more dangerous than Hitler was at a comparable period in the latter's rise. McCarthy has already created nakedly exposed by the Communist Control Act of 1954, a vast network of agents, obedient to his orders, inside all the important agencies of the federal government.

McCarthy's machine, it was revealed in the Army-Treasury, the top military apparatus. It comprises powerful of the witch hunters. wings of both the Republican and Democratic parties. It wields immense influence in both the Senate and House, a law which combines all the fea- be trusted to give a "lenient" where a word from McCarthy suffices to put strong blocs tures of both the witch hunt interpretation of the law? Terinstantaneously into motion.

Why It Is the Central Issue

All the most virulent haters of labor, the most bigoted clare it "communist-infiltrated." opponents of progress and social reform are rallying around The union so designated will then Journal, Aug. 19, expressed un-McCarthy. If they do not wear black or brown shirts — at be given the full treatment: no easiness at the law's sweeping least, not yet — their minds wear the familiar trappings of fascism — anti-unionism, race-hatred, anti-Semitism, Attempt to Throw violent opposition to civil liberties, a "communist" phobia.

So powerful is the pressure of McCarthyism, so fearful SWP Candidate of its attack are all the other capitalist political tendencies, that even the self-professed liberals are swept along like leaves on the flood of McCarthyite reaction. The liberal Off Chicago Ballot Democrats themselves introduced and spearheaded the bill CHICAGO, Aug. 23 - Two peowhich for the first time in American history outlaws a ple, obviously acting on behalf of political party, the Communist Party. They voted for the the Democratic Party, today sub-Butler bill which ties an anti-labor A-bomb to the block-filed to place Howard Mayhew on buster of the Taft-Hartley Law.

We contend that McCarthyism, the American form of Workers Party candidate for fascism, is the central issue not simply because McCarthy Congress in the 2nd District. has demonstrated power, cunning, unscrupulousness, reactionary politician. What provides McCarthyism with a petitions and all other voters in the measure to break strikes discussion of the Communist go him one better. dynamic character, with attractiveness for millions, is the district would be deprived of the right to vote for him as a the social atmosphere in America.

Text of the National Election Platform Of the Socialist Workers Party The Socialist Workers Party platform for the 1954 elections differs from the platforms of all other parties campaigning for public office. Republicans and Democampaigning for public office. Republicans and Demo-crats, whether of the conservative or liberal wings, claim that the main issue of the elections is "communism." They vie with each other in raising a hue and cry against "com-munists." We say they are raising a false issue. We say they are deliberately concealing the real issue. The real issue is fascism and its American name is

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movement and to impose one-party rule and one-man dictatorship on the United States. We are not scare-mongaring. We are tolling the plain Is to Regiment Unions

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By L. P. Wheeler

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The anti-labor function of "anti-communism" has been The very same bill that outlaws the Communist Party also gives the government the power 9-

to strip unions of their bargain- | bargaining rights, and "legaling rights unless they knuckle ized" raiding by unions that are

Perhaps the administration can Labor is now confronted with and the union-busting drive. Un- rible illusion! In the first place der its provisions the Attorney the law is so worded that any General or the head of the Sub- union not controlled by the Mc-Carthyites can be easy game for versive Activities Control Board the charge of "Communist incan pick out any union and defiltration." Even the Wall Street definitions of a "Communist":

One of these provisions is that it would be evidence of cooperation with the Communist groups if any person has indicated a willingness to carry out the aims and purposes of the party. For all we know the Communist Party may be against juvenile delinquency. So is this news-

The plain fact about the law was stated by the liberal Demothe ballot here as the Socialist who might be antagonistic to labor, a powerful weapon, to cripple labor, to break strikes."



AFL, CIO At Political **Dead End**

Every man, woman and child in the United States is affected by the passage of the so-called Communist Control Act of 1954.

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For the first time in American history the government has arrogated to itself the right to destroy trade unions by branding them "communist infiltrat-ed." ALL unions are subject to extermination under this law.

For the first time in American history a political party has been deprived of all legal rights and immunities-that is, outlawed. The Communist Party is only the first in line. With that precedent established, ANY party, existing now or in the future, can likewise be banned.

For the first time in American history citizens can be given severe prison sentences and fines for failing to register themselves as members of a party that has been declared outside the law.

This law enacts government licensing of unions, prohibition of free political association, and thought control. It was passed 79-0 in the Senate and 265-2 in the House, and signed by President Eisenhower.

The political consequences of

the fascist Senator's program in order to advance his political "I am delighted to hear this and method, and even tried to fortunes. Anti-McCarthy Repub-

licans like Flanders and Democrats like Lehman made speeches All talk of the Senate taking

this haw will be deep, widely attacking McCarthy's use of the felt and far-reaching: (1) Its virtually unanimous "communist" issue as being

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paper."

If the challenges are upheld by election authorities, the 12,000 The fact that Lehman voted for

By Murry Weiss

ballot candidate.

America is on the verge of a vast social crisis. This country has gone through a quarter century of continuous jections to the petitions was the and immense stresses and strains. First, we had a decade accusation that "the so-called BUCKLE --of depression and fierce class battles that saw the rise of Socialist Workers Party is an the CIO industrial unions. Then, we had six years of war scares and war, with a million and a quarter U.S. casualties,

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IRON CURTAIN LOWERED ON W. GERMAN STRIKES

An iron-curtain censorship has been rung down on the greatest class struggle in capitalist Germany since before Hitler took power in January 1933. Allied occupa- further hearings by an attorney union.

tion authorities, the Bonn government and the boss press are We have no information on their Union. working in collusion to keep further action.

news of the gigantic West Ger- An item in the Aug. 16 interman strike wave from reaching national news column of the World-Telegram had proclaimed getting him thrown off the ballot the workers of Western Europe that West Germany's "worst la- although he complied with all the and the United States.

The Aug. 16 and 23 issues of settlement, with spokesmen for had to run a write-in campaign during their strike. What's to They showed themselves to be erals said McCarthy was using the Militant by piecing together more than 1,000,000 workers con- that year. brief mentions of these strikes sidering compromise." This refrom a number of sources, report, intended to minimize the vealed that some 4,000,000 Ger-German workers' struggle, acman workers are either on the tually gives a clue to the vast picket lines or have voted to numbers involved. There has end their contracts and go on been no further mention of the strike by Aug. 31. compromise."

Strikes were already in progress, we reported, in almost all major cities, including Hamburg, Cologne, Munich, and Frankfurt, the scenes of militant picket lines and great mass struggles. Workers in coal mines, public transport struggle, with "at least 20 hurt," forestry, textile, chemical, ceraat the "vast Siemens factory." mics, construction, agriculture and postal services, on last reports, were demanding wage increases and new contracts.

Tighter censorship has since concealed the results of numerous strike votes. However, a single paragraph from an Associated Press dispatch, datelined Frankfurt, Aug. 23, which appeared in the N.Y. World-Telegram's 19 N.Y. Herald Tribune, makes international events column, disclosed that "West Germany's strike picture is still gloomy" although some 12,000 Schweinfurt ball bearing workers allegedly ing headlines in June 1953 about defied the union's strike decision the great strike wave against the union leaders did. in the two-week old Bavarian the harsh exactions of the Stalinmetal industries strike.

ers are reported to have rejected harsh exactions of the capitalist to outlaw the Communist Party everything perfect and you've Reporter: I'm not disputing me honestly, have you ever run How do you ex --8 to 1 a government wage offer rulers and foreign occupiers is as a SUBSTITUTE for the But- got to take the bad along with that you're a genuine and rep- across anything shrewder than of a 1.43-cent hourly pay boost." | met with a howling silence.

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liberals are.

organization or group associated alternative:

directly or indirectly with Comthe unions. Everyone who might gest victory of the year.

eign nations or the overthrow by the unions. Everyone who might violence" of the U.S. and Illinois be picked out as an "infiltrator" rovernments. The authority cited for this false accusation was the

House Un-American Activities committee.

challenged the SWP candidate in

Along with some technical ob-

end. It will be represented in attacking and crippling the

from the American Civil Liberties

man, who was a lot more care- be censured. In 1952 the Democrats also ful about the way in which he

serious action to curb, censure closely akin to Hitler's use of or destroy McCarthy now sounds the "communist" issue. In these words Sen. Welker, But in Congress last week the

like a poor joke. How can the the McCarthyite from Idaho, Senate discipline him when it liberal Democrats changed their cism the greatest triumph, shot expressed his satisfaction with has put him in a position to tune. They screamed McCarthy's The unions face the following the anti-labor Communist Conline in both Senate and House. trol Act of 1954 introduced in say:

"I have been telling you all They introduced a bill to outlaw (1) They can go along with the Sonate by the liberals on munist, Fascist, Nazi or other the law and accept its spirit. Aug. 12. His satisfaction was along that 'communism' must be the Communist Party that Mcun-American principles" and seeks the law and accept its spirit. Aug. 12. His satisfaction was along that "communism" must be the Communist Farty that Mc-amuck and led the whole lynch-that would mean a new and justified, for the liberals had crushed by any and all methods. Carthy hadn't dared to introduce freedom pack in Washington. tical principles and ideals of fordicated me by passing a law to declare whether they were signals the ignominious collapse

Up to that point the liberals against 'communism' that plain- "for or against the Communist of liberalism. would have to be purged. Every were contending that their tac- ly violates the Constitution. You Party.' union official who is disliked by tics had "disgraced" McCarthy unanimously agreed that all By this act they share full the government would have to before a decisive section of methods are permissible. You responsibility with McCarthy for

go. The unions would have to American public opinion. They even used all my arguments to setting up the 1954 elections on The Socialist Workers Party go on a "housecleaning" spree took credit for putting him justify this law. Why then am the McCarthyite pattern — with immediately announced that it in the hope of depriving the through an "ordeal" in the I criticized? Doesn't this show both capitalist parties trying to would fight the challenges to the government of any pretext for Army hearings. They claimed that my critics are dishonest?" outshriek one another on the Thus the liberals themselves they had put McCarthy "on the red menace.

this alternative, that Harry Tru- recommend whether he should ment.

ropes" when they got the Senate have given McCarthy new wea-WHO GETS OUTFLANKED Remember, while considering to set up a new committee to pons to build his fascist move If we study the history of the last four or five years we will McCarthy said last Nov. 24, in observe that the McCarthvite Where are all these boasts his nationwide radio-TV speech,

this district and succeeded in attacked the labor movement than and claims now? By their role that "Communism would be the fascists make their biggest gains the present anti-labor crew in in Congress during the last days issue in the 1954 elections." precisely after a new peak has Washington, called the railroad of the session the liberals gave Eisenhower had expressed the been reached in the "official" bor crisis appears headed for ballot requirements. The SWP workers "a bunch of Russians" McCarthy a clean bill of health. "hope" that it wouldn't. The lib- witch hunt.

A good example is Attorney cynical shysters. They mimicked "communism" as a phony issue (Continued on page 2)

LABOR MUST CHOOSE

enate Liberalism and Super-Strategy

from the World-Telegram, on would you mind answering some Butler bill, didn't you Germany's wave of strikes rol- Control Act which you and the true. ied on." It told in a further other liberal Senators took the

sentence of a bitter picket line lead in getting passed?

have had behind the West Ger- am tired of being called a left- And you liberals voted to com- law measure defeated. man iron curtain is an Associ- ist, and ____

ated. Press dispatch of Aug. 18 Reporter: The thing began on reporting "Bavaria's worst labor Aug. 12 when the Butler or riot since the war." 400 Munich cops, swinging rubber truncheons, charged a thousand pickets pecially labor unions, was you vote to combine your bill pay? at the Siemens plant. This disbrought to the floor. You were with that one? Why didn't you patch, as published in the Aug. reference to "the walkout, af-Bavarian plants, started Aug. 9." Everyone will recall the shriek-

Reporter: But then your fel- passage of our own part of the to be off the record. low Democrat, Senator Daniels bill outlawing the Communist Senator: Not at all. There's of Texas, made an amendment Party. We didn't like the Butler the anti-labor Butler bill and at of all Communist Party memnothing that I would rather dis- to COMBINE your outlaw bill bill, but didn't want to take a the same time we wanted to bers. Is that it? The only other glimpse we cuss. As I said on the floor, I and the Butler bill, didn't he? chance on having our own out- take the wind out of McCarthy

> bine them, didn't you? Senator: Yes, we did.

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nist-infiltrated organizations, es- Butler bill was so bad, why did anti-labor bill, was too high to it on to the Butler bill, figuring vision to jail all Communist and set out on a new political

the harsh exactions of the Stalin-ist bureaucratic regime in East Germany Now however news of ler Bill. Besides wanting to the good. The plain fact is that resentative liberal, Senator.

Reporter: Well, Senator, now show that you are not leftists, if we liberals had voted against | Senator: All right then. See- | Reporter: I think I get your Instead, the next item gleaned that Congress has adjourned, you wanted to get rid of the the Daniels amendment, we ing that that's understood, I'll point. You didn't really want the appeasing McCarthy and a libwould have offended a number tell you what I'll do-I'll explain bill to pass and reasoned that it eral wing that is now trying to Aug. 18, reports simply: "West questions about the Communist Senator: That's very, very of the conservative Democrats the whole thing to you, including couldn't become a law as long out-McCarthy McCarthy. and might have lost out on the our strategy. But it will have as it contained the probably unconstitutional Humphrey pro-

Senator: That's it exactly. on this 20 years of treason stuff.

Reporter: I see. You felt that So we worked out the toughest was your strategy, what happen- attack by the McCarthyite fasthe passage of your outlaw anti-communist measure we ed to it? On Aug. 19, a so-called Reporter: Now the question measure was so vital that no could think of making mere compromise proposal was made Brownell bill to destroy commu- that puzzles me is this: If the price, including passage of an membership a felony-and stuck to remove the Humphrey pro-

that the Republicans would have Party members. And Humphrey road. Senator: Now wait a minute, to accept our amendment or accepted it. And so did every against that bill, weren't you? vote against the Daniels amend- that's a nasty way of putting open themselves to charges of other member of the Senate. And Senator: I certainly was, and ment and insist that your bill it. I'm sick of being called a softness on communism. We you all voted for the bill WITH- Bring together delegates from so were all the other liberals, should be a substitute and not leftist, but I don't want to be knew Eisenhower wouldn't go OUT the section which you say fecting 220,000 employes at 600 and we voted in favor of tabling an addition to the Butler bill? called a rightist either. Some of for our extreme proposal and would have forced Eisenhower it. We definitely considered the Why did you vote for the Dan- these wiseacre newspapers that figured he'd either get his peo- to veto it. Doesn't that sort of vite the representatives of the Butler Bill to be dangerous, re- iels' amendment which meant in are now calling us 'liberals' in ple in Congress to kill. the bill contradict your whole explana- working farmers, the Negro actionary and anti-labor, just as effect accepting the Butler bill? quotes seem to forget that it's as a whole, or he'd have to veto tion about a liberal super-strat- people and other minorities. And Senator: Well . . . Well, you one thing to write or talk lib- it. In that way we would achieve egy? Because if what you say launch an independent Labor

This same dispatch revealed Germany. Now, however, news of was defeated, you and your is that in politics, practical poli- sponsibility that goes with being not leftists. This is all off the of the parts that were supposed Socialist Workers Party candithat "some 700,000 public work- the German workers fighting the friends introduced the measure tics, well, you just can't have in office and getting re-elected. record, you remember, but tell to force Eisenhower to veto it. dates in the 1954 election cam-Senator: Say, what paper are vou from anyhow? 1this?

doption by Congress, acting in flagrant disregard of the Constitution, gives McCarthyite fasin the arm and "justification" it has received in a long time. (2) Its sponsorship by the

POLITICAL RESULTS.

Democratic liberals, who ran (3) It explodes the political

policy of the labor leaders, who relied on the Democratic liberals to save them from McCarthyism and anti-labor legislation.

(4) It deals a stunning double blow to the Communist Party. who also urged the workers to join in class collaboration with the liberal Democrats as the answer to McCarthyism.

The most important result of he new law is the effect it will have on the labor movement, for labor alone has the power to lead the rest of the anti-capitalist forces in crushing the Mc-

Carthyite and police-state dangers.

It must be openly recognized: The unions are now at a politial dead end. The Democratic Party, to which they looked for salvation, is composed of a conservative wing that has been



hunts, more defeats-all laying Reporter: But Senator, if that the unions wide open for all-out cists

Or it can decide to fight, break with all Big Business parties

We say fight!

Call a Congress of Labor. every union local in the country -AFL, CIO and independent, In-

That is the program of the paign. That is the program that merits the support of every anti-McCarthvite.

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From the Congressional Record (Scene: The House of Repre-|the Communist Party a criminal sentatives, Aug. 16, 1954, during offense.)

the debate on the first version Mr. KEFAUVER (D-Tenn.). of the Butler-Humphrey bill to Many of us are concerned about destroy independent unions and the precedent of outlawing a outlaw the Communist Party.) particular group. Perhaps next

Mr. CELLER (D-N.Y.). I am year Congress will not like some not a bleeding heart. I have no other group. Perhaps ten years use for commies or for their from now Congress may not like party. I am a hardheaded, two- another group. In the history of fisted lawyer, and a liberal mem- this nation, is this a new apber of this House, of course, but proach to the problem? . . I believe when you seek to out- Does the Senator from Maryexpress them. law the Communist Party, to land know of any group which Indignation was freely express-

use the language of the Presi- previously has been declared ildent, you are "shooting from legal, by act of Congress? the hip." . . . If we can outlaw Mr. BUTLER (R-Md.). No, I the Communist Party, there is do not.

'astonishment" and "shock." no reason why, if the Republic- (Mr. KEFAUVER cast his vote Some attempted to put a large ans are in control, they could against the Humphrey amend- share of the blame on the not outlaw the Democratic Party. ment, but because the vote was weather: "midsummer madness" And, vice versa, if the Demo- very close and his vote might (New Republic, Aug. 23), "sumcrats were in control, they could have defeated the amendment mer frenzy" (N.Y. Post, Aug. outlaw the Republican Party. I he changed it and abstained, let- 20), "midsummer madness," (Ardon't like that part of the bill ting it pass by 41 to 39. When thur M. Schlesinger, Jr., Post, which outlaws the party. It is the Humphrey amendment had Aug. 22). The Post even manpalpably unconstitutional. Also, been added to the bill, Mr. aged to lend an air of sleepthe states, not the federal gov- KEFAUVER cast the only vote walking unconsciousness to the ernment, control conditions af- against the bill as a whole, proceedings on Aug. 15 when it fecting political parties. Much as which was passed by 81 to 1. said "the Democratic liberal con-I dislike some portions of the Two days later, in the final de- tingent . . . found itself leading the drive for the outlawry bill, however, I favor other por- bate on the final version of the statute.'

tions. On balance, the evil is out- bill:) Mr. KEFAUVER. It was not weighed by the good. I shall vote for the bill.

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very pleasant to be the only Mr. HALLECK (R-Ind.). Mr. member of the Senate who voted will the gentleman against the House bill with the Speaker,

Senate amendments when it was eld? Mr. CELLER. I yield.

passed on the day before yester-Mr. HALLECK. I think the day. However, I had a very deep gentleman should certainly un- conviction, as I have today, derstand that the very language about this subject. I feel that contained in the bill indicates history and time will vindicate that the Communist Party is not the position I have taken . . . I a political party. It is an inter- must say that I have many misnational conspiracy to destroy givings regarding the language of the conference report, and as

your party and mine. Mr. CELLER. Yes, but you to whether we are doing somehold the trump cards-you who thing which violates the sound are in power. You can declare philosophy which has been given the party to be anything you us by Thomas Jefferson and by wish. You can do that by a mere all our great leaders with referdeclaration-by fiat. You could ence to the right of dissent, the do the same with the Democrat- right to have differences of ic Party. You could say that any opinion, the right to have any party that opposes high tariffs belief which anyone wishes to or believes in deficit spending is have . . . The Senator from subversive. You could order that Maryland assures me that perthe factors making up the Dem- sons are not going to be subject ocratic Party are factors of des- to prosecution, under this bill, truction. You could say, there- for their beliefs. I am not cerfore, by the same token, the tain about it. It may be that the Democratic Party should be Senator from Maryland is incorrect . . . (But) I think the taboo.

(Mr. CELLER voted in favor conference report (modifying the of the bill.)

great improvement . . . I expect (Scene: The U.S. Senate, Aug. to vote for the report. (This time Mr. KEFAUVER 17. 1954, during the second debate on the Humphrey amend- voted for the bill, which was ment to make membership in pased unanimously, 79 to 0.)

They Said No, But Voted Yes **Even Their Best Friends Score Liberals as Cowards, Wretches**

ing off. He could have had in munist Party." (Formerly, be- that the Republic would be des-By John F. Petrone Some liberal publications felt mind writers like T.R.B. of the fore McCarthy set the political troyed if they were all retired at a loss for words to describe New Republic who wrote, "No tone, the ADA, Schlesinger and to private life tomorrow." the liberal Democratic role in one who had a direct part in Humphrey were all opposed to The crucial word in that last sentence is "today." Today the

passing the Butler-Humphrey-Dies Communist Control Act of that the provided for the table to be provided for the table to be provided for the table to be provided for the point is the table to be provided for the table to be provided for the point is the point poin "COWARDS, WRETCHES ... " 1954. "How is one to character- that the trick was made posize" it? asked the Nation (Aug. sible by adjournment pressure In a series of editorials be- brave words about not caring if 21), and it answered, "Only and by (GOP Majority leader) ginning Aug. 15, the Post spoke the Humphreys are retired from Jonathan Swift could do justice to this extraordinary situation." Knowland's genius for angering some harsh truths about its lib-his colleagues." Humphrey and eral friends in Congress: half-threatens the Humphreys "Cowardice . . . panic . . . this that if they don't mend their

But it wasn't words the liberal Co. needn't be proud, you see, press lacked so much as correct but the main fault is Knowdesperate maneuver . . . Many ways "friends" may "go fishing political ideas, or the courage to land's for having "inflamed, inof the men who voted for this legislative monstrosity know tion, whose record on civil libfuriated and exhausted" the how bad it is. They lacked the erties is superior to most liberal "atmosphere" by his "arrogance."

ed, sometimes quite strongly. So THE ADA LINE were feelings of "surprise,"

courage to say that they were publications, put quotes around against it. This is McCarthy's "liberals" when it talks of the Schlesinger, a co-national real victory . . . it reflects the Humphreys whom it helped to chairman of Americans for same demagogy, lack of prin- elect as liberals without quotes. Democratic Action, grieved over ciple - and lack of thought -

the "hasty and reckless action" which the Democrats have been WHAT WILL THEY DO? and "foolishness" displayed by attributing to their opponents But what about tomorrow? for a long time . . . Where are Will they be as indignant in his friends in Congress. (Humphrey is also an ADA officer.) the men who will speak out for November as they are in Aug-He said they "succeeded triumph- the Bill of Rights? . . . These ust? Or will they cool down and the Bill of Rights? . . . These ust? Or will they cool down and frightened souls are the real casualties of the McCarthy age What can understand the the Humphreys, What can understand the the source of the the source of the so antly in placing their party to frightened souls are the real start explaining to their readers the right of Joe McCarthy" when ... What can undermine a free despite their "errors," are a they tried to commit the Departsociety is the corruption of "lesser evil" whom it would be ment of Justice "to a program spirit and loss of nerve exhibited impractical not to support? of mass round-ups and prosecu-Humphrey knows the answer in these wretched Congressional tions unprecedented in American history." The bill finally passed, scenes He knows that all the liberal "The bill that has been enactwriters will swallow their bitter

though not as sweeping as Humed is a wretched repudiation of words and support him unconphrey and Morse demanded, "is quite strong enough for a Herdemocratic principles . . . we ditionally in November because think it is questionable whether the only alternative is to build A tight election was pending in bert Brownell to use with effect Humphrey himself can avoid an independent Labor Party. California. At the same time on some of their friends," inregistration as a subversive. He And the liberals (like the labor McCarthy was riding high and

cluding maybe even Truman. is, after all, a vice-chairman of leaders) are as much afraid of crowding the Republican Party housing, more public health and more public power-all 'objectives' allegedly sought by the Communists and therefore within the scope of Section 12 of the Act . . . In the end it was impossible to tell the players without a scorecard: Senate liberals

headed by Humphrey, were leading the demagogic pack, trying tration from discovering "comto prove they had less respect for civil liberties than McCarthy himself . . .

outlawing it in 1946 when it was this: "Such nonsense won't dis-'strong and active," but today arm their enemies but it may persuade their friends to go liberties are violated when you fishing on election day." To Kempton of the Post (Aug.

18), Humphrey and Co. are The ADA asked Eisenhower to "cowards." "For the skin they're veto the bill, without itself tak- out to save is not our country's ing "a position on the question but their own." Barring Mcof outlawing the Communist Carthy, "the recent record of the defense of the very first all over the unions but they know Carthyism and then take up the Party" but on the ground that the Democratic Party on civil unions that are attacked under it constitutes "possible danger liberties is at least as bad as the new law. To sit back and place and they'll deliver the out-McCarthy McCarthy. to individuals and organizations that of the Republicans . . . I hope that by accepting attacks on use that kind of terminology." In no way involved in the Com-I for one would not argue today

A 'Legal Basis' for Proscription

Sen. George A. Smathers (D-Fla.), defending the Humphrey amendment to outlaw the Communist Party, said on Aug. 12:

"Today we condemn persons with Communist leanings or beliefs. We have been throwing them out of the teaching profession. We even make it difficult for Communists to work in ordinary industry. We are surely driving them out of all social, professional, and industrial life, and yet while we so proscribe these people there is no hard and fast law that says it is wrong or illegal to be a Communist or that a Communist cannot work in these fields of endeavor. So today without benefit of law, we pick at them, hold them up to bad publicity and ridicule, punish and persecute them, and finally we throw them out; but not by benefit of law. Mr. President, to conduct ourselves this way - without benefit of law - is to practice the grossest type of discrimination. We are discriminating against them for their thoughts and acts, when under present law, what they think and do is completely legal. If we are going to be a government of law, why do we not meet the problem head on and say, 'We do not like communism: we fear it; it is opposite to what we believe in; therefore, anybody who believes in it, advocates it, or who belongs to a political party which itself advocates or believes in communism, is guilty of a crime against the United States'? If we take this step then we will have a legal basis on which we can proscribe them in our society. The way to face this issue, Mr. President, is to meet the problem head on."

The Green Light

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Americans for Democratic Ac- taking such a stop as the Demo- tops with his independent witch tion, which favors more public crats are of voting against hunting moves. Brownell and the "anti-communist" legislation.

Aimed at Unions

(Continued from page 1) prevent the Republican adminis- liberties. This is exactly where the whole witch hunting pack. It munist infiltration" during any strike a union may conduct from low on? How would they prove it? Simple. The strike itself Aren't they afraid of losing against him. would prove it. The strike would labor's vote? prove that the union is following policies favorable to the Communist Party which has been besides, there is always the "sab-

liberal writers, suffering from

shock and frustration, speak

on election day." Today the Na-

-OR FIGHT (2) The other alternative to fight.

otage of national defense."

The front line of the fight is "marked unions" the rest will be saved is to continue the same **McCarthyism -- Main Election Issue** the passage of the law.

Scripps- Howard staff writer

loculd kill two birds General Brownell's smear of ex- stone; outflank McCarthy by president Truman last autumn. using his technique, and at the same time win an election by smearing the head of the Democratic Party as a protector of 'red spies.

McCarthy chose that very moment to announce that even GOP high command thought they the Republican administration was tainted with softness towards the "red menace." He

served notice that Eisenhower was on trial and would be watched.

The Brownell maneuver didn't push McCarthy into a corner. It ment to defend labor and civil put him right out in front of the policy is false and treacher- justified everything he had been saying and doing and exploded How did the liberal Democrats all the "curbing" arguments of dare to welch on their promises? the Republican Party leaders

Now the liberal Democrats are The answer is painful but true. taking another turn at this same The Democrats believe that game. It was the Democrats who labor's vote will be delivered to started the witch hunt under known to support strikes. And them no matter what they do. Truman's administration. They They face the elections with the thereby laid the ground for Mcidea that they must appease the Carthyism. Now that they are McCarthyites. But how about harassed and menaced by the labor? Don't worry about that, Frankenstein monster they creis they tell each other. Walter and ated they vacillate between two George always deliver. Good old courses: They set up a hue and cry about the danger of Mc-Walter and George, you can walk we have our hearts in the right McCarthvite slogans and try to

The Democrats can't answer And why shouldn't the liberals McCarthy's "20 years of treason" think they can kick labor in the frameup charge. They can't tell self-defeating policy that led to teeth and get away with it? The the simple truth about the forlabor officials have become so eign policy of the Roosevelt and spineless that they can't even Truman administrations. They can't say: It was expedient to



Sen. Humphrey (D - Minn.) said on Aug. 12, after introducing his bill to arrest people for mere membership in the Communist Party that "if there" is anything illegal" about it, his amendment "would make that illegality legal, if I may

HUMPHREY

Murray Kempton of the Post

warned that the "apologists" for

the liberals would soon be sound-

liberties issue would be involved in outlawing the Communist Party if the threat were great enough." He thinks "a plausible case could have been made" for the CP is weak. (Meaning, civil

ban a weak party but not when you ban a strong one!)

Their action will "plague" them, Schlesinger predicted, because this liberal "collection of hotheads running wild like kids after their first glass of beer at a picnic" has destroyed "one of the best Democratic campaign issues in the fall"-namely, their

claim to be a party of "respon-sible opposition." (Meaning, you ools are losing us votes.) Turning to the substance of

the bill. Schlesinger said, don't see that any great civil

WHAT REALLY HURT But the thing that really hurt the Post editor the most was

(Continued from page 1) life. Then, in 1946, we had the annihilation. It becomes more greatest strike wave in our history, with capital and labor nerves are rubbed raw. They have arrayed against each other on a had enough. They want a way 3,000-mile front. In 1949 and 1950, out - any way - so long as it we felt again the tremors of promises an end to the neverjerked back violently from the imposed by the ever-present action," the most unpopular war and wars. in our history. And now we facel the whole vicious cycle of depression and war once again.

When the last shot was fired in Korea, the first shot was aimed at the American workers' standard of living. Within six months, several million workers, a large number of them in basic industries, were laid off. Today, labor, the suppression of our two-thirds capacity, a depression rate. Detroit and the other auto towns are beginning to look like the days of the Thirties. Ghost towns are appearing throughout the coal mining areas of Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Kentucky. Everywhere the workers are feeling the pinch of reduced work weeks, loss of overtime. And everyone understands that any improvement in conditions can be only seasonal, momentary, forced by increased military spending that expands the monumental government debt and brings more price inflation.

For their part, the Big Business rulers of America see in the economic instability a whip to beat organized labor, a golden opportunity to launch an offensive against the working people and their unions. It is no accident Socialist Workers Party. No that the measures to outlaw the other party faces this Communist Party - the ban on squarely. No other party dares political liberty in the United States - are combined in a single omnibus bill with measures to open the labor unions to govern- licans, to whom the liberals and ment proscription on the charge labor bureaucrats look for protecof harboring "subversives."

The corporations, like Stude- wilted before every blast from baker, American Motors and McCarthy. They voted him the Armour, have initiated a wage- public funds he demanded last cutting drive, brazenly confront- February and which he has ing the unions with the ultima- used to "investigate" them and tum of more work for less pay promulgate his charge of "20" or no jobs. As for the farmers, and "21 years of treason." They peal all the police-state laws fundamental way with the probheir income has already taken support his thesis of "commu- and decrees — the Taft- lems of the Negro people, Puerto an overall 20% slash in just two nism - the great menace." They, Hartley Act, Smith Act, Mc- Ricans and Mexican - Americans, years' time.

Thus, after 25 years of con- authored a whole series of tinuous pressure and sacrifice, policè-state measures, calculated lists, Communist Control we are still beset by fear, anxiety, to silence all but the most reac- Act, etc.

insecurity. There appears no end tionary political voices, to handspeedup, long hours, shortages, to it. We hang suspended becuff the unions, to terrorize e disruption of normal family tween economic ruin and H-bomb feed grist to McCarthy's mill. There is no force able to than the people can bear. Their combat McCarthyism effectively except organized labor. The mighty organizations of American labor have more than enough depression. The economy was ending, nerve - wracking tension fighting manpower to drive to cover any gang of storm troopers plunge by the Korean "police menace of capitalist depressions who raise their heads. What is to be crushed. This outlook can forcement of all laws and of the whole labor movement. We needed is the recognition that

Humphrey amendment) is a

How will the impending social labor — and labor alone — can farmers lead the struggle agaiinst Mccrisis be resolved? How will the demand for a way out - for a Carthyism. That is why we of Socialist Workers Party permanent solution — be met the Will the organized labor movepropose:

ment come forward with A united Congress of decisive answer, a program to meet the needs of the people representation from all un-Or will the crisis be resolved by ions, to prepare a war to the finish against McCartraditional freedoms, the salvagthvism. ing of profits by sinking the This Congress of Labor would mass living standards - in short

have as its chief task the launchby capitalist dictatorship? ing of a political party directly It is the intention of McCarthy under labor's control and comand his multi-millionaire backers pletely independent of all capital to take demagogic advantage of ist political parties and candithe desire of the American peodates. A new class party of labor, ple for an end to uncertainty, indedicated to implacable struggle security and continuously unfoldagainst McMarthyism, is the ng crisis. They propose to chanindispensable political weapon to nelize mass discontent into smash fascism: movement to forestall labor's solution with the harshest capi-For an anti-McCarthyite talist solution - fascism. They Labor Party.

are not playing for fun, either; they are playing for keeps. The task of labor and its allies can therefore be summed up in

one short sentence: Smash McCarthyism before it smashes us!

majority of working people? The This is the central plank of the Labor Party would be able to answer this problem by offering issue government: to come to grips with it.

On the contrary, the Demo A Workers and Farmers crats and Eisenhower Repub-Government.

With a Congress of Labor and a Labor Party. the organized tion from McCarthvism, have workers could send to Washington their own Representatives and Senators to wage a counteroffensive against the witchhunters around the slogans: Stop the witch hunt. Re-

The witch-hunt, initiated by Truman, stepped-up by Eisenpolitical dissent and protest. They hower and brought to a high pitch by both major capitalist to war, above all. All those who kind of race terrorism, with ('Communist infiltrated') unions oppose Wall Street's war program are to be gagged; union labor's resistance to the harsh be changed if the workers and

Take the war - making powers away from the tiny minority who profit from Labor, with rank and file agents in the White House and Congress. Let the people ing mothers. Paid pre-natal declare war on the anti-labor vote on all questions of war and maternity leave for forces and their political repreand peace through popular working women. Abolition of

referendum.

At the same time, the forces of labor could project a whole series of measures designed to inequality. strengthen labor's economic status measures would be:

The 30-hour week at 40 hours' pay. Unemployment compensation equal to full without crowding, properly union-scale take-home wages equipped for sports, recreafor the entire period of un- tion and cultural activities.

The struggle against McCarto be taken over by the govthyism led by a genuine party of labor would pose in its ernment and operated full- training in occupations ensharpest form the real problem scale under the workers' con- joyed by the students. End the fight against the Butler bill confronting America: What class shall rule, the tiny minority of monopoly capitalists or the vast beneficial projects, such as vote at 18. housing, schools and hosthe most democratic form of pitals, to be financed by the

> funds now earmarked for war spending.

Of greatest immediate concern to the Congress of Labor and the Labor Party would be those large sectors of the population who suffer special forms of discrimination and exploitation . the racial minorities, the women and the youth. Measures would be advanced to deal in the most who claim to oppose McCarthy, Carran Act, "subversive" the women and the youth. These measures would abolish every type of racial discrimination, by establishing

minorities. A fair employ- plans for earliest possible use of parties, is intended to silence the ment practices law with handed it by Congress. . . Action people, and break their resistance teeth in it. An end to every to throttle the power of such severe laws against those who threaten or commit sacrifices of capitalist war are racist violence. Rigorous en- attacked with the united strength rulings against segregation and discrimination.

Women would receive the protection of

Equal pay for equal work. fend every worker attacked by school age children of worksentatives.

all discriminatory laws and practices which maintain sex Youth would be given the as-

and mitigate the hardships of surance of a decent. secure unemployment. Chief among these future, with full opportunity for creative expression and healthful this anti-labor legislation? They activity, with

New up-to-date schools, legislation. employment. All idle plants Free higher education for all McCarthyites, the liberals picked who desire it. Vocational up the anti-labor ball and began

trol. Large-scale government the military draft and the at the critical moment and turnprojects to provide jobs at dead-end future of barracks ed up on the other side. They union wages on socially- life and war. The right to sold labor down the river. In other words the policy of

the top labor leaders rested on Once the working people have the illusion that the liberals taken the political power, they would carry out their commit would seek the permanent transformation of society from it

present profits-seeking form to an economy in the interest of

those who toil. The Workers an Farmers Government would Nationalize the basic industries under the control of the workers.

Then would follow the change to a planned economic system cooperatively run without profit

Socialism. To back the fight against Mc Carthyism and for socialism Vote Socialist Workers Party.

harles Lucey reports, Aug. 23: get a meeting with Eisenhower Full economic, social and "The Justice Department ordered political equality for all full speed ahead today as it laid emergency. When Reuther asked time from the standpoint of the new anti-communist weapons given the brushoff. And that was ism. In the frenzied cold war atleaders like that? may be the first direct step." We say that labor's political

Labor's own "first direct step" policy is in a crisis. What will must be to rally behind the unions labor do in the 1954 elections? How can the union officers tell the workers to vote for Hummust return to the principle, "An injury to one is an injury to all." phrey and the rest? Will they say, the liberals sold you down This means to stop imthe river once, twice, three times, mediately all witch hunting withbut vote for them just the same. n the labor movement; to detheir hearts are in the right war and from their political Free nursery care for pre- the McCarthyites; to refuse to place? Can the union officials even claim that the liberals have cooperate with the congressional been fighting McCarthy after they embraced McCarthyism with both hands by voting for the

labor vote to us.

new law? Isn't it time, at long last, for Above all the alternative of a reconsideration of labor's nofighting instead of buckling litical policy? Isn't it time that means the revamping of labor's the rank and file delegates were political policy from top to botcalled together to deliberate on tom. Let's start at the top. What what policy to follow in fighting happened to Reuther and Meany the anti-labor offensive? We say while Congress was passing all that such a gathering is overdue. Labor faces the threat of vere silent. Why? They had strangulation from a police state made an agreement with the libgovernment, annihilation from eral Democrats. The liberals had the McCarthvite fascists and promised to fight against this debilitation from unemployment. The answer to these threats is Instead, to the delight of the

to fight back. Summon a giant Congress of Labor and put as point number one on the agenda: running with it to the police Organize an independent Labor state goal post. They dropped Party RIGHT NOW.

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to discuss the unemployment deal with the Kremlin at that to meet with Eisenhower he was interests of American capitalthe end of it. What kind of pow- mosphere, where the "menace of er can labor hope to wield with Communist aggression" must always be put to the fore, such plain statements would be prima facie evidence of treason.

> So the Democrats think thev can solve the problem by turning the tables on McCarthy. They propose legislation more reacionary and unconstitutional than McCarthy. That will show him! They are incapable of learning that this is precisely what Mc-Carthy thrives on. Every time the liberals try to outflank Mc-Carthy they end up by being outflanked by him. The reason for this merry-go-round is not that the liberals are utterly stupid, but that they are trapped They are trapped by their function as a political party of capitalism. When the capitalist system reaches the point of crisis which provokes the rise of a fascist movement, the liberals are incapable of striking at the fundamental roots of fascism-the capitalist system itself. Therefore they feed the growth of fascism by their vacillations and capitulations.

And that's why the working class, which is the real target of the fascists, cannot depend on the liberals. The workers must depend on their independent political struggle to defeat fascism. This elementary lesson in graphic form by the 83d Congress: This session was heralded by the Democrats as the Great Battle of Liberalism vs. McCarthyism, It ended with the ignominious

collapse of liberalism.

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Our Answer to Studebaker Pattern

A letter from B. D. of Chicago (page 4) raises an important question concerning our answer to the Studebaker wagecutting plan. B. D. asks: "Do you think it correct, especially in those industries that are getting squeezed out by monopoly competition, to demand that the government finance the operation of the plant under union management?"

We certainly think that the demand for government operation of idle plants under workers control is correct and entirely applicable to the Studebaker situation. (And if that's what B. D. means we are in agreement. His phrase "government finance the operation of the plant" could mean that the capitalists remain owners and the government guarantees them their profits during hard times. We are opposed to this kind of scheme because it leaves the basic problem untouched. The government then becomes the direct representative of the employer and continues the practice of wageslashing in order to put the plant in a favorable "competitive" position.)

There are some misunderstandings in B. D.'s letter on the Militant's position of the Studebaker plan. Our Aug. 16 lead article did not propose the demand for a 30-hour week at 40 hours' pay as the immediate answer to the Studebaker problem. We did cite with approval the initial answer of the Studebaker workers themselves. When the company argued it would have to slash wages to meet competition from Ford, General Motors and Chrysler who paid lower wages, the Studebaker workers answered: "Raise the wages of the Big Three." We agree that was the right answer and ex-

actly what the unions told all employers during the great organizing drives to establish unions in this country. Without that answer the workers would still be living under the open shop. But the union officials have no

stomach for such an answer because it means

a return to the militant policy of the Thirties - and they've grown too old, fat, complacent and corrupt for that.

In another article in the same Militant, Carl Goodman discussed the spread of the Stude-in the river a 35-year-old Negro the terrorization of the civilian baker plan, together with a roundup of in- worker. Other victims they used populace of Korea. formation on "runaway plans" "pleading hard-the leg of one elderly man with Korea issued propaganda comthe leg of one elderly man with ship" plans, etc. Under the heading of an answer to the whole "problem of layoffs, shutdowns, 'run-away' firms and migrations" seized and horse-whipped two Generative that "it is importing that the girls Goodman wrote that "it is imperative that the girls. union leaders call a Congress of Labor and

No criminal case in years has so stirred New Yorkers and adopt a fighting program to meet the growing aroused so much speculation in MURDER UNLIMITED

economic crisis. Such a program must inthe papers. It recalled several clude a united fight to win the 30-hour work similarly atrocious crimes by set before the world the perweek at 40 hours pay; unionization of the young people recently. It climax- spective of murder unlimited. South; the fight for unemployment compensa- es a wave of teen-age violence with the development of the A- their stability. Only the program tion at full union wages for the duration of the in New York City, but all over years ago this month Truman period of joblessness; and a Labor Party." the country.

We agree that a basic answer to the problem of unemployment must also include the demand that the government take over any plant that and torture? threatens to shut down for reasons of private

profit interests and operate these plants under the control of elected workers' representatives. World-Telegram finds the "most

the 30-for-40 demand, so further experience will agers" in the fact that they qualifications and aptitude in show that the demand for government ownership under workers control is correct. When a homes and have decent parents." union demands 30-for-40 the employers will The Post observes: "We need to give the same answer Studebaker gave, even before the union raised the demand: Our comunion reply would be: A 30-hour week at 40 hours' pay for all workers! And if you can't operate industry profitably on that basis, move over and we'll show you how the workers can run the plants with production for use instead of profit.

The Bankruptcy of Stalinism

All year long the leaders of the Communist Party have been calling for the election of the Democrats in 1954 and 1956 on the ground that this was the way to - stop McCarthyism. Almost every issue of the Daily Worker praised the liberal Democrats and beat the drums for labor to get out and elect them. Then came Aug. 12, when the liberal Democrats pushed through the first law in American history to ban a political party - the Communist Party. And what have the Stalinists to say now?

"We were betrayed!"

But for eleven days they could not bring hemselves to utter a single word on what

policing of the city." WHERE TO FIND ANSWER In the same issue of the Daily Worker, just This air of perplexity and

across the page, George Morris says, "The important immediate fact to see is that every one of labor's 'friends' --- stalwart 'pro-labor' men al, voted for that bill."

But what are we to see in this "important immediate fact"? Back across the page in the editorial we have the answer:

"The mass of voters who follow the leadership of the liberal Democrats in the hope that we live. they will continue the New Deal traditions are

anti-McCarthy sentiment of these millions, in Department of Mental Hygiene. about the widespread police prac- that the National Executive business.

THE MILITANT

Why Did They Kill? By Art Preis

stories of mass murder of civil-lout into violence on their own Four seemingly normal Brook- ians-including women and chil- is, peculiarly enough, their relyn boys, aged from 15 to 18, dren, the aged and sick-by that vulsion at the prospect that they hast week confessed a series of most terrible of weapons, the can have no future but one of napalm bomb of iellied gasoline violence under capitalism. Ahead revolting crimes of violence. napalm bomb of jelled gasonne violence under capitalism. Anead that spreads a searing mass of of the youth of America lies only that spreads a searing mass of the youth of America lies only multiple of fact in militarium. Their victims were usually poor-ly-dressed jobless men—the boys called them "bums"—who were caught alone at night in the park. The youths admitted two murders. They kicked and stomp-ed one middle-aged man to death. They beat, burned and drowned in the river a 35-year-old Negro

sense of futility, this lack of any decent future that he can see, combined with the whole atgasoline-soaked rags and set muniques bragging of their "Opmosphere of legally-sanctioned, glorified violence, that is exploding in these increasingly numerous "baffling" crimes of grass under a scyth the "hordes murder and torture by youngof the enemy. sters. More cops, with more

clubs, with more jails will not stop them. Only a program that will show them a way out of

the blind alley of this violent capitalist society can restore that has been growing, not only bomb and the H-bomb. Nine of socialism, promising a future of peaceful activity and creative ordered the first of two A-bombs accomplishment, can give them Why did they do it? Why are dropped on the crowded cities of hope and thus bring light to "the so many youngsters turning to Hiroshima and Nagasaki. In just darker regions of the human per-

crimes of violence, thrill-murders two lightning flashes, a half sonality.' million people were killed and

wounded. And the men who com-Most of the newspapers speak of the case as "baffling." The mitted, on orders, these greatest single atrocities in history were As a matter of fact just as experience has perplexing aspect of this latest adjudged heroes, normal in every taught millions of workers the correctness of disclosure of atrocities by teen- respect except for their special were committed by "apparently carrying out the delivery of the A-bombs without upsetting good boys who come from good qualms.

But American capitalism has

We live, indeed, in the Age of Supreme Violence. It is the age know more about the darker regions of the human personality; of the H-bomb. Men in the past Times speaks editorially of a as possible threats to a large paper. "crime past understanding," "un-believable." It asks: "Where human race. They worried over

does our city, our society, fail the vengeance of God and Judgwith boys like these?" It con- ment Day. But never before has fesses it has no answer; but still the prospect of world murder it does know that "this new de- seemed so real and imminent; it

velopment confirms and streng- is a matter of common concern thens . . . the case for better today that man himself may soon exterminate the human species with weapons of his own

making. The official violence of capit bafflement has a considerable talistic war finds its parallel element of hypocrisy. For there within the internal life of the is an obvious, indeed a glaring, country. Never before has this like Humphrey, Lehman, Murray, Morse et answer to the questions raised country seen such lawlessness

by these horrible juvenile crimes. carried out by the forces of "law But the capitalist press cannot and order." In New York City, even hint at this answer with- thousands of killer-cops, sadists out indicting itself along with in uniform, prowl the streets and the whole private-profit econom- commit crimes of murder and

ic and social system in which torture. Dozens of innocent people, mainly Negroes and Puerto This answer is suggested in Ricans, have been shot down in

emphatically not for this kind of McCarthyite Hartogs, former senior psychia- past few years. The New York should be rescinded at the com-

Clement Attlee (left), right wing leader of the British Labor Party, is shown with Aneurin Bevan, another member of the delegation making a tour of China. Just before leaving England, Attlee joined with other right wing Laborites in imposing a ban on the left wing paper, Socialist Outlook,

Bevanite Editor Protests Ban on Socialist Outlook

discussed below.

By Michael Foot

For the first time in history, so far as I am aware, the leadwe need more study, more talked of acts of nature, like ers of the Labor Party have petitive position does not permit." The proper thought, more reflection." The earthquake, flood and drought, taken steps to suppress a news

> That is the only meaning which can be attached to the latest decree circulated by Mr. Morgan Phillips, Secretary of the Labor Party.

"I am directed to inform you," he says in a letter sent to trade unions, constituency and local parties, women's sections and Leagues of Youth, "that the Na-

tional Executive Committee at its last meeting decided that persons associated with, or supporting, Socialist Outlook, are Such a decree might fittingly be issued within a Fascist or Communist Party. That it should be issued by the leaders of a democratic party is an outrage.

The good name of the Labor Party requires that this stupid, the statement of Dr. Renatus cold blood by the police over the cowardly and totalitarian edict tive in an effort to injure the

the attempt of the right wing leadership of the British Labor Party to suppress the left wing newspaper, Socialist Outlook. This attempt to McCarthyize the Labor Party has aroused wide and angry opposition in the British labor movement. One of the strongest protests was written by Michael Foot, member of the editorial board of the Bevanite weekly, Tribune, as the leading article in the Aug. 13 issue of that paper. We reprint the full text of this article, appearing under the title, "I CALL THIS AN OUTRAGE." Foot and Kingsley Martin of the New Statesman and Nation were among the speakers at a Socialist Outlook protest meeting to be held in London on Aug. 26. — Ed.

Last week we printed a dispatch from London reporting

lemocratic right of getting the more deadly than either the official Communist Party or the official policy changed?

In short, the first charge capitalist press? against Socialist Outlook could And what is the meaning of be accepted as a good reason for the phrase "associated with or declared to be ineligible for proscription only by those who supporting"? Are the composimembership of the Labor Party." have abandoned any pretense to tors who print Socialist Outlook, believe in free controversy. The all good trade unionists, to be formula could be used to des- taken by the scruff of the neck troy all democratic debate with- and put out of the Party? Is anyone who owns a share in the party.

Is that the idea? Several in the paper to be compelled to months ago a similar, although sell up or clear out?

Are all contributors to its much less drastic, resolution was columns liable to be expelled? adopted by the National Execu-Is the new rule to be that success of Tribune Brain Trusts members of the Labor Party Gragnet (the Communist Control Act). The trist for the New York State papers have been full of stories ing Labor Party Conference and and thereby put Tribune out of may write with impunity and for large fees for any of the We had thought and hoped, dozens of newspapers which athowever, that members of the tack the Labor Party every day, National Executive who support- but that they will risk their ed that motion had decided to membership cards if they ever drop it once they had realized dare to write for a paper some how ridiculous they had made of the contributors to which have past associations with the Archthemselves appear. Fiend Trotsky? SECOND "CRIME" Finally, what about the real Now consider the second crime criminals, the people who "supcommitted by Socialist Outlook. port" the paper-its readers? Is "A number of its contributors," it to be a criminal offense to we are told, "are known for be caught reading Socialist Outtheir previous association with look? the Trotskyist Revolutionary Has the National Executive Communist Party. The Revolurecruited a body of snoopers to tionary Communist Party disensure that no one who pays his solved in 1949 and advised its threepence slips through the official leadership; he also ormembers to join the Labor Party mesh? ganized meetings to press his and to fight for their policy And why stop at the Socialist Outlook? Why not draw up an within its ranks." It makes a nice change, of index of proscribed reading and course, for Mr. Morgan Phillips prepare bonfires for those who dare to defy the new tinpot and those who instruct him to be discovering somebody other Torquemadas ?than Soviet Communists under Well, I for one read Socialist their beds. Indeed, this sentence Outlook and I propose to go on might win loud applause at a doing so. Neither Mr. Herbert Soviet purge trial. Morrison nor Mr. Morgan Phil-On the other hand, the prolips nor anyone else is going to scription of a newspaper because stop me. It so happens I don't of the past association of some agree with its views. But unlike of its contributors smacks of the National Executive I don't fear its arguments. Bad argu-McCarthvism. What in heaven's name is the ments can be answered by better National Executive trying to arguments. How long must it be achieve by this rigamarole? Are before Morrison and Company they attempting to appease the understand that first principle of NKVD and the Un-American Ac- freedom? tivities Committee by the same POSTSCRIPT: Many months single act? ago it was announced that Mr. Nothing in fact in the Nation- Morgan Phillips and the National Executive's statement even al Executive were going to start



Visiting China

Page Three

should be done now that their policy - the political policy also of the labor officials has been shattered like a matchbox hit by a sledge hammer. They had many bitter names for the liberals and they denounced the silence of the labor officials. But they themselves remained silent on what the workers should do now that the strategy of supporting Democratic liberals against McCarthyites and reactionary Republicans has been exploded by the liberals themselves.

Finally on Aug. 23 the Daily Worker sneaked into an editorial its answer to the question of what to do now: "The need to build an anti-McCarthy coalition, based on various political forces united against an American version of Hitlerism, remains more urgent than ever."

An "anti-McCarthy coalition" based on "various political forces" is what the Stalinists have been trying to promote all along. And included prominently in this "coalition" are none other than the Democratic liberals.

cracy."

the unions, communities, churches, etc. - needs to be brought into play against the perilous cynicism of the Humphreys who play into the hands of the worst enemies of labor and demo-

Here is what the Stalinists mean: There is no use denying that the liberal Democrats introduced and made possible the passage of an threat of war and international mean the Stalinists want the workers to stop supporting the liberal Democrats. On the contrary. According to the Stalinists, the way to pit the anti-McCarthyism of the millions is that not only is the whole against the "perilous cynicism of the Humphreys who play into the hands of the worst enemies of labor" is to rally behind the Democratic Party, get out the vote for the Hum-

phreys, and thus "defeat reaction." It's too soon for the Stalinists to say this openly. But give them time. Before November comes they will be openly embracing the liberal Democratic boot that has kicked them so consistently.

Hunger in the Midst of Plenty

A stark picture of hungry Americans in the midst of plenty - and of federal and local politicians brutally indifferent to the needs of the unemployed - is presented in the July 15 issue of the United Mine Workers Journal.

Reporting on the distribution of federal surplus commodities to the unemployed, the Journal says, "Unlimited supplies of surplus foods in warehouses scattered throughout the land, and thousands of unemployed persons unable to properly feed their families on the meager part-time earnings and relief available to them, is the spectacle that confronts a bewildered nation in this period of drift and delay."

Reports from various districts of the miners union indicate the scope of the depression in that industry. There were 15,000 people in West Virginia eligible for free federal food last December. By June the figure had soared to 140,000. In one Kentucky county 15,000 out of a population of 20,000 have been declared eligible. In just two Pennsylvania mining counties there are now over 83,000 people in need of such aid.

To support farm prices, the government is storing away \$6 billion worth of commodities, at a cost of \$700,000 a day. It is estimated that only \$150 million of that will be distributed to the jobless this year. Diet is not considered. Only those items creating storage problems are included.

ments of family conflict, hostility to parents, sex deviation, etc., lice violence go the extra-leinvolved in the conduct of the gal forms of violence implicit in our youthful murderers. But Dr. the witch-hunting campaign a-

stimulates violence."

Other learned and well-known

This points in the right diatmosphere of capitalist society today saturated with violence. but violence is extolled and glorified as the highest of virtues. It is proclaimed by government officials and politicians. It is re-

warded with medals and honors. It is taught as a meritorious way of life in the schools and colleges. It is condoned and blessed by minister, priest and rabbi alike.

For the past 15 years-the entire life-span of the youngest of the four arrested Brooklyn boys-the youth of America have

"The actual distribution in the local com- been commanded to learn and munities," the Journal reports, "is burdened practice the fine and gentle art of killing. The youth who can with governmental red tape, costly overhead acquit himself most ably in the expenses, and a plague of federal gum shoe cold-blooded extermination of felagents. Only minute quantities are made availlow human-beings is ordained a able to consumers. . . In county after county, hero. Through press, pulpit, movies, schools, books, radio and the distribution is handicapped by reluctance TV, through governmental proof local officials to accept the expenses of clamation, political speeches and handling and distribution, the complicated public ceremonials, the youth procedure for certifying those eligible, and the have been told that it is not only tough policy of the Agricultural Department their right, but their positive in demanding safeguards against any possible duty to kill in the most wholesale and brutal manner. waste of the foodstuffs.'

alone.

The United Rubber Workers, During World War II, every motion picture theatre in the wage differentials from Goodyear. land showed newsreels in which, At Firestone the whole contract

Since the end of the war,

union, where the entire program ground to a to the accompaniment of gloating is open for negotiations. Goodrich, complete halt, says, "the surplus commodities able measure for dealing with all evil? commentaries, Japanese soldiers General, Seiberling, and U.S. Rub-Solidarity is strong among the Communist methods of infiltrawere distributed sparingly, certainly insufwere shown being burned alive ber are all on a day-to-day basis workers even though the strikes ficient to satisfy the hunger of people who have by U.S. flame throwers. Boastawaiting outcome of the Goodyear have imposed severe hardships on no jobs and no unemployment insurance pay- ful descriptions of tremendous and Firestone strikes. them, especially at Goodyear. The bombings and burnings of cities In an open attempt to break unions through their emergency

ments. were daily newspaper fare. The "These same people," the report bitterly feats of commandos and paratroopers, trained in close-quarter continues, "now hungry, have helped to pay fighting of the blow-on-the-neck, the bill for the surplus commodities in bulging knee-to-the-groin and thumb-in warehouses surrounded by red tape and political the-eye variety, were detailed in bunk. The people are tired of waiting for the glowing terms. And this was as nothing commeager handout which does not begin to appared to the glorification of murpease hunger." der and torture put forth by the

That's the picture of one segment of Amergovernment and detailed daily ers of Akron. ica. If the present "recession" becomes a full by the press and radio during the invasion of Korea by Ameriscale depression, will the rest look any difcan imperialism. Every day we were treated to terent?

A report from Kentucky District 30 of the

tice of torturing helpless prison should be instructed not to tam. psychiatrists find merely ele- ers to extract false confessions. per further with the elementary Along with the increasing po- principles of freedom.

FIRST "CRIME"

What are the crimes commit-Hartogs intimated a broader en- gainst the "reds" and "communted by those who run Socialist vironmental factor: "The political ists," which finds its culmination Outlook? They are accused, first situation, with the continual in the movement of McCarthy- of having published "propaganda ism, the American form of fas- hostile to the declared policy of cutright McCarthyite law. But that doesn't violence, creates tension and cism. In the visage of McCarthy, the party, and conferences and in his words and acts are bared meetings have been organized in the threat of the fully unleashed support of its editorial policy." rection. But it only begins to violence of capitalism in its most Precisely that same charge answer the question. The truth savage form of rule, with the could be made against almost every Socialist newspaper that storm troopers, and the concentration camp and torture cham- has ever existed. Robert Blatchber as its leading institutions. ford's Clarion often criticized the

DEAD-END FUTURE

The youth of America are bred views. George Lansbury did the to violence. It is all around them; same on the original Daily Herthey have heard it encouraged ald.

Sidney Webb, H. N. Brailsby the very "best" people for most of their conscious lives; ford, and countless others were they have seen it applied in the guilty of "publishing propaganmost horrible forms on the great- da hostile to the declared policy est scale by official society. of the Party." Of course. How But what impels them to break else could they exercise their

Wages, Differentials Main Issues In Two Nationwide Rubber Strikes

AKRON, Aug. 24 - The nation-| stance in Topeka, Kansas a wide Goodyear strike in Akron rubber worker for Goodyear and nine other cities is in its makes 35c. an hour less than a 48th day, with no settlement in worker in Akron. In Alabama

sight. The same applies to the the rubber worker's hourly rate nation - wide Firestone strike is 24c. less than in California. which started 12 days ago. These This discrimination is practiced strikes have idled a total of by a company which declared 48,000 workers — 22,000 in Akron \$49,000,000 in profits after taxes last year. They kept an additional

\$6.000.000 because the Eisen CIO, has been asking for a 7½c. hower administration relaxed raise plus 51/4 c. for correction of taxes on corporations. So far this

year Goodyear is well on the way to making more profits than last

tion. But it is a long and dangerous step from this to the action which the National Executive has now approved to try to the union, Goodyear took the lead strike funds have been helping

kill a newspaper. in refusing to bargain with the many of the hard-hit cases, but How novel and how sinister union. They arrogantly offered a hundreds of strikers are trying this new step is can be proved 5c. increase on a take it or leave to get along on inadequate relief allowances. Both the workers and by one fact. No similar action it basis. If the union had submitted it would have undermined their leadership have been on the has been taken against either, future bargaining and the union. receiving end of a tremendous shall we say, the Daily Worker or the Daily Mail. No one has The question of wage differentials pressure campaign from all the yet dared to proscribe persons at Goodyear is very important reactionary business heads in associated with or supporting Akron to end the strike ar and particularly so to the workeither of these journals.

ccept the measly 5c. offer. So we are to conclude that the But their present intention is Goodyear has been decentralizing to stick it out and show they National Executive regards these away from Akron to other areas won't stand for any weakening of alleged ex-members of the Trotskyist Revolutionary Party as where wages are lower. For in- the union.

attempts to justify this unpre- a weekly Socialist paper of their cedented attack on a newspaper. own. Why don't they get on with There is a case for proscribing it? Are they too busy suppresscertain organizations, although ing other people's ideas to find

many people believe the Nation- any worth expressing of their al Executive have carried it to own? Or is it the printed word fantastic lengths; such action itself which is now regarded at may be justified as an unavoid-Transport House as the root of

> San Francisco James Kutcher Speaks on My Case — the Case of the Legless Veteran Sat., Sept. 11, 8 P. M. California Hall Corner Turk and Polk Sts. Auspices **Kutcher Civil Rights** Committee **Donation 50 cents**

The Negro Struggle By Fred Hart

The Clarks Were Stoned Out

The newspaper reports about Philadelphia didn't give many details. But the incident was familiar without them. It was the Cicero, Ill., story all over again. It was the same kind of thing that is still going on at the Trumbull Park housing project in Chicago:

In July Wiley and Blanche Clark, both 26, bought a house for \$6,500 in an all-white section of North Philadelphia and had it repaired. On Aug. 18 they moved in with their four children. A mob collected that night and broke several windows. The next night the mob was back again, 200 strong, and smashed all the windows in the two-story house before they were dispersed by police. The third night the mob was still bigger, smashing the doors this time. The only one arrested was a 16-year old who threw a beer bottle (the cops knew a 16-year old would be released with a reprimand). Members of the city's Commission on Race Relations "tried to reason with the crowd. but had little success." The demonstration lasted all night, until the Clarks left their home under police protection to go to a relative's.

The Negro family striving to build a better life for its children, the house, the mob, the "men of good will" who are disregarded, the cops who rarely or never arrest anybody clainly violating the laws respecting civil rights and civil liberties - we're familiar with all of them, all too familiar. Yet each time this story is re-enacted in a new place, we can't help thinking:

Philadelphia has a numerous and powerful Negro population. Where were they on the nights of Aug. 19 and 20? What were they doing? Whom were they waiting for? The

rocks thrown those nights and the previous night were not meant only for Mr. and Mrs. Clark. They were meant for every Negro in the city. The cries, "Get out!" were not addressed merely to the six Negroes in the house They also meant, "Keep out!" to the other How to Keep the 400,000 Negroes in Philadelphia. The rocks Plants Operating that smashed those windows also splintered the rights and aspirations of all Negroes.

So we can't help wondering: What were the articles on the "Studebaker 400,000 Philadelphia Negroes and their hunareds of organizations waiting for? Why didn't they come to the help of the Clarks? Why, for the 30-hour week at 40 hours' after they saw the failure of the cops to protect pay was inadequate to meet this the Clarks, didn't they form a defense guard particular situation. In the coming and send it to help them? If they had done this be faced with a "Studebaker" and shown they mean business about defending ultimatum. I think it would seem their rights, the mob, instead of getting bolder unreal to answer the company and bigger, would have grown smaller and the only with 30-for-40. Do you think Clarks would be able to live in their own home it is correct, especially in those today.

And what about the large labor movement to demand that the government of Philadelphia? Their interests were at stake finance the operation of the plant too. The forces who inspired the smashing of the Clark doors also intend to break down the doors to the union halls some day. Let them are incapable of managing inscore successes and they spread their virulent influence. Why didn't the unions too have a defense guard present - to reason with whatever union men or women or their children there were in the mob, and to impress the others by the size of the guard with the fact that labor knows the meaning of solidarity and is serious about practicing it?

When the labor and Negro movements ac as they should, these all-too-familiar incidents will have a different ending. In fact, they won't even take place.

Plants

The Militant's views on the questions raised by B. D. are presented in the editorial column on Page 3. Readers are invited to send us their opinions on this subject. — Ed.

industries that are getting squeez-

ed out by monopoly competition

After "Studebaker" what more

proof do we need that the bosses

dustry and that the labor move-

ment, in self-defense, must step

in? Haven't Kaiser and Hoffman

I don't mean to criticize the

30-for-40 demand but merely to

suggest that in certain cases w

B. D.

under union management?

already admitted this?

must go even further.

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Editor:

Urges Action to End School Bias Editor:

I read very carefully your a living. Laugh if you want, and hold a job compared to the but I doubt if even you would time, energy and thought a man situation" inasmuch as it is a laugh if I told you I don't have has to devote to this question, th hot topic with the workers in the money to go to a doctor about woman still continues to receive my shop. I felt that the demand less pay for equal work on too my pimples nor do I have the

tired and that my feet hurt. I tion with blanks after a list of

Maybe you, Jack, want to laugh words like "Appearance," "Com-

and ridicule my using popular plexion," "Personality," "Speech" cosmetics to overcome some of and "Grooming." But despite all

these difficulties of working for the preparation necessary to get

Our Readers Take the Floor

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time off work to rest up and get many jobs. some sunshine into my cheeks at But here's the payoff on the some lakeside resort. mportance placed on cosmetics Or maybe you really believe today. If a wife strays from the what you wrote in answer to paths of marital fidelity, the irate Louise Manning that "ordinary husband is firmly advised - by women, whether housewives or Inez Robb of the Hearst Press workers . . . no matter how toil- to give the female sinner a firm worn or seasoned in experience" paddling. He can even shoot her are beautiful. If you do, then I and get sympathy from a jury. see why you ridicule our efforts But if a husband strays from a to appear a little less bruised worn-out housewife with boisterand tired than we really are. But ous children, a broken-down washfor me, I live in the world as it ing machine, mountains of clothes is today, with its standards of to be mended, and a discouraged beauty and its social customs. It sag in her shoulders, the columnmeans a good deal to me that my ists all holler that it's all her husband, my children, my shop- own fault for not having changed mates and my friends enjoy my her hair-style and applied lipstick company and that I can conevery morning!

tribute something to the beauty So I'm afraid I'll have to stick and joy of our association today 'to Max Factor's Pancake instead according to today's standards of rice-powder - until such time and not the standards of the as present-day standards of sex future society. beauty as a requisite for getting In this world of mine, the a job are thrown onto the rubbish

Chicago, 111 woman factory workers' world, it heap along with the rest of the is fairly common knowledge that artificial standards of the capi-"beauty is predominantly monopotalist system. Helen Baker

lized by the wealthy." I for one and I think I could speak for all the girls in the shop I work in,

The Ruling Class' would like very much to have some of the beautiful clothes that Standards of Beauty you see hanging on a "bourgeois Editor: clothes-horse." We would also

like to have taken the vacation trip the boss' wife just got back metics and the Women" misses the pertinent points in relation beautiful tan and a sparkle in her eves when she got back! Maybe you think we girls are

mistakenly desirous of indulging in some "ridiculous and even vicious" capitalist norms? Think

again, Jack, Louise Manning is absolutely correct when she views our desires and struggles as "part of the rebellion against a position The NAACP, which led the which denies to them their rights court fight, seems to take the as human beings. Your article on position that a considerable cosmetics was not too bad taken length of time should be allowed as a whole, but brother, you to the courts to enforce the sure put your foot in it when you decision. This, of course, merely attempted an answer to Louise

> F. J. 'Seasoned and experienced' Garment Worker

ference in Washington of all or- Cosmetics and **Economic** Pressure

In an article on the cosmetic

Footsore at Tire Plant Strike

NUMBER 35

LOCAL IN



Jane Cody rubs her aching feet outside Firestone Tire and Rubber plant in Los Angeles as fellow pickets from Local 100, CIO United Rubber Workers, offer sympathy. Union called nationwide strike against company after contract talks broke down. 25,000 Firestone and 23,000 Goodyear workers are now on strike.



BUFFALO, Aug. 23 — The McCarthyite witch hunt has struck for the first time in the Westinghouse plant with the firing of Diantha D. Hoag, an IUE-CIO steward. Subpoenaed before the McCar-O

thy committee in Washington on company plotted and vacillated Aug. 7, she invoked the First egged on by the press, bolstered and Fifth Amendments when up by the General Electric prequestioned about Communist Par- cedent on "Fifth Amendment firty affiliations. Previously she ings," but apparently deterred had been accused in the local by fear of what Local 1581 noses and restricted their feet, had been accused in the Low- might do.

munist Party member and fol-COMPANY ACTS lowing the line of the UE, which

Although the present local ad-When Louise Manning writes stoolpigeon mentioned her name. ficers, they are still extremely This case has created consid- weak and 'wishy-washy on the

How to By Reba Aubrey If the place where you're working were to But Business Week figures that as long as

shut down, say next week, you might think it is a simple thing — no problem at all for the boss although a mighty big problem for you. But if we're to believe the July 31 Business Week, closing down a plant requires considerable finesse.

First of all, "No manager likes to call his people together and tell them the company is closing the plant." But there have been "a raft of closings" this spring and summer - and there'll be a lot more — so management might as well learn to close a plant gracefully and thereby avoid many an unpleasantness from "disgruntled and sentimental workers."

Whatever the reason" given the workers for closing the plant — high costs due to obsolescence . . . dwindling demand . . . allegedly difficult union local . . . high taxes . . . moving South . . . or whatever -"the end result is the same: men and women out of work." Workers being what they are and wanting to eat regularly "somebody had better be ready with a plausible explanation" when they are thrown out of the plant. Or else, Business Week says, "a lot of tough questions will come flying in management's direction." Even worse, "rumors" may "fly," particularly "in a small city." The grocer may ask the housewife how she's going to manage when the plant closes down; the worker may mention to the bartender that he won't be in for beer for a while; the driver will explain to his car pool that this is the last ride. One thing leads to another and before you know it, "a grouser" may say: "Severance pay? From these people? Are you kidding?" And then you may have a mess on your hands. Some recent closings have demonstrated that "a badly handled master plan" for shutting down the plant can create so much confusion that "the plant manager will be wishing he had never been born." The "Chamber of Commerce is on the phone; so is the radio station. Nine veteran employees are pacing the outer office. Production has all but ceased. The division manager is on the phone from Chicago;" creditors are hanging around. And, "furthermore," the workers "in the plant have no written explanation of what's happening."

there's life there's hope. Management, they say, is catching on quick. The prevailing situation is giving them plenty of experience in the "delicate job" of "plant closing."

When Motor Products closed its Marion (Ohio) plant last month and tossed its workers lacking at this time is an adequate out on the street, management cushioned the blow by offering "to write letters of reference." There was just one "unavoidable" slip. In its hurry to "close," Motor Products forgot the second shift of workers who "had to get the news over the radio or by word of mouth."

When Pressed Steel Car Co. closed its freight car plant at Mount Vernon, Ill., in May, mandecision to perfect their plans agement was careful to make sure that each for evading the court's orders, when and if they are issued. worker "first got the word in letters sent to, What the NAACP should do their homes." There's nothing more comfortnow is to call a National Coning than being at home when the shock hits. When Phoenix Hosiery Co. stopped knitting ganizations interested in ending

women's hosiery at its Milwaukee plant in Jim Crow in the public school June, "management men, including the presi-include itself, the labor unions, In an dent, went out on the floor to make the an-

The Supreme Court decision on from. Say, did she have segregation in the public schools has certainly brought into sharper relief the entire question of racial discrimination in all fields, inluding those of jobs and hous-

However, what appears to be program to take advantage of the favorable decision itself.

permits the opponents of the Manning's criticism.

San Francisco, Calif.

ome extent ridiculous: they are

ridiculous from the standards

which will exist under socialism,

and are already held to a limited

extent by those of us who strug-

gle for it. To the supporters of

capitalism, or of its standards of

beauty cosmetics do increase

feminine beauty; but in previous

societies women have stretched

their ears and lips, pierced their

and to the supporters of those

societies that was beautiful. It

does not seem beautiful to us now

nouncement." How's that for strategy?

But the company that deserves the grand prize for the tidiest "closing" is E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. "The plant manager went until the day of the official announcement, July 6." The "timing," which "helps," called for a one-day closing operation.

The opening gun was fired at 8 A.M. when top management was informed of the "plan." Then a "two-page explanation of the whens and whys of the closing, and four-page run- implemented. down of what the pay situation would be for each class of employee. At 10:30, three simultaneous announcements were made. Management called in the local union committee (it's an independent). Staff members told supernewspapers were told. At 12 noon local in- persist in maintaining Jim Crow younger or more attractive girls. With that, Business Week cites E. I. du Pont

with the intricate timing of an air-land-sea, combat operation."

Notes from the News

IS MCCARTHYISM THE SAME AS CÍVILIZA-TION? McCarran, Senator from Nevada, introduced into the Congressional Record of Aug. 11 the full text of a lecture by Dr. Francis X. Gannon, assistant professor of history and politics at the University of Scranton, entitled: "McCarthyism: A Defense of American Civilization." The professor ended his lecture with this sentence: "I curse the day when McCarthyism is no more."

INCREASING UNEMPLOYMENT in • Pittsburgh has made this the No. 2 distress center among the nation's 13 major labor markets. The Aug. 14 N. Y. Times states that "just this last week" all four of the Pittsburgh area's Congressmen appealed to the Department of Agriculture for government surplus food. They said that "150,000 persons needed the food."

THE COST OF LIVING EDGED UP AGAIN in July. The increase of one-tenth of 1% is the third straight monthly rise. Acting Commissioner Aryness Joy Wickens of the Bureau of Labor Statistics said the main factor in the increase was the summer drought that hiked food prices seven-tenths of 1%. She said this increase was largely offset by declines in new car prices and summer clothing.

"IT'S NOBODY'S BUSINESS BUT MINE," said "elder statesman" and financier Bernard. M. Baruch concerning the nature of a 45-minute meeting in his apartment with fascist Senator McCarthy who has "done a lot to alert the or another. American people to the dangers of communism."

TIME STUDIES AND SPEEDUP SYSTEMS are attributed to God by General Electrical Executives. G. E. Vice-President N. M. DuChemin told a closed-doors meeting of the company's time study experts, according to Les Finnegan in the Aug. 16 IUE-CLO News, that "In the first book of the Old Testament of the Bible, Genesis, Chapter 1, it reads: 'And God saw everything that He had made and, behold, it was good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.' And then in a later book, Exodus, Chapter XX, it reads: 'For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them.'" These are "two of the earliest recorded time studies" and there's a "lesson" to be learned from them, DuChemin says. "They are unsatisfactory in their completeness of description."

"WHAT HAS BECOME OF THE MAN we but a good splattering of outfits appear like six. once knew as a liberal?" asks Karl Keyerleber wrinkles and pimples instead. in the Aug. 9 Cleveland Plain Dealer. "Today," Maybe it has something to do agency has different application shorter they are, the more we can Conn. The AFL machinists at Carthy's victims an obstacle he adds, "you can't be sure whether you praise with the fact that my eyes don't blanks for men and women; on print. Letters over 400 words long Anaconda have joined the walk- management will not be able to or insult someone if you call him liberal." sparkle and that my legs are the latter, there is a special sec- are subject to condensation. - Ed. out.

tions and other minority peoples poked fun, expertly, at the cause the workers are wretched" erable stir locally and particular- issue. Aware of this, the man industry a few weeks ago, you such as the Jewish, Puerto-Rican ridiculous advertisements of the she reveals that her standard of ly in Westinghouse. Not so much agement, after consulting with and Mexican - American. These companies, and facetiously ad- beauty is derived from capitalist because of Diantha Hoag per- top officials in Pittsburgh, finorganizations should send dele- vocated a return to pure soap, society. The wealthy are beautiful sonally, because there are many ally took action. Last Friday gates to the National Conference water and berry-juice for women. only by their own standards other more prominent and milito Wilmington to get the word." He "broke to discuss and elaborate a pro- Personally, I would be greatly which in the long run assign tant people at Westinghouse. But union officers of the firing. the news to just one of his staff; no one else gram for ending discrimination relieved. if I could forego the ever program is adopted by the but capitalism won't let me. I'm

submitted to the court at its fall earn my living — forces me to aid of cosmetics, inflatable bras, session where various points of buy and use the darned stuff. view are scheduled to be heard Cosmetics are a prize example dards of feminine beauty are action against them. on how the decision should be of the special discrimination that established primarily by men who, women workers are subjected to, Such a Conference, represent- Far from being a luxury (and cannot see women as anything

ing the majority of the people they are taxed as such), cosmore than mothers and playof the United States, should metics are a grim necessity for things. That a woman might be demand of the court that it issue the older or not physically blessed a fully developed human being, an order prohibiting discrimina-tion in the public schools in any stantly compete, in the labor achieved in bed, never occurs to **Copper Workers** visors." Supervisors told employees. At 11 the form - and at once. Those who market and on the job, against the undisguised ideologists capitalism.

schools are in violation of the The male boss who selects excustries were told. "Later in the day, personal Constitution and should be prose- perienced and efficient workers letters, over the manager's signature, were cuted immediately. The court ather than those who radiate a mailed to every Yerkes rayon worker." Finish. should order the federal govern- Hollywood-like glamor, is rare ment to use its tremendous indeed. powers to enforce its decision. A qualified male worker ap-

de Nemours & Co. for handling its closing The chief officer of the govern- plying for a job is acceptable, ment, the president, is sworn to socially, as long as he is normally will, among other things. With- demonstration of international defend the Constitution against clean and neat. And soiled jeans out benefit of cosmetics a face labor solidarity against their CASE APPEALED

all its enemies. It is clearly his and a day-old growth of beard can indicate one or more of these common exploiter, the big U.S. duty to carry out the decision are considered 'normal' - for a qualities even through a network copper corporations. man. But the woman applicant of wrinkles, and thus achieve of the court. Only a mass movement of such must be not only qualified techscope can put the necessary nically, she must be well dressed, smooth, ever so cleverly painted of Mine, Mill and Smelter Work- too be implicated in "guilt by amount of pressure on the court and the government. If this is not in place and exuding charm. If bloom, but indicate, truly or false- around 11 workings of the Ken-

nervous."

done, the people who are now McCarthy. Baruch still isn't talking, at least not charged with responsibility for that's evidence of carelessness of publicly, about that March 9 meeting, but the discrimination in the school details. If she wears no make-up, Aug. 17 N. Y. Times reports that he "gave systems will manage to maintain she's obviously peculiar or ugly. qualified approval yesterday to the work" of the old abominations, in one way neurotic or both; if she wears too

Milton Alvin

Lives in World As It Is Today Editor:

I too, along with Louise Manning, was a bit disturbed by the lack Bustelo article on cosmetics. I happen to be a working woman her - along about midnight, with a family to look after. Thus she's exhaustedly putting up her I very much appreciated the hair, tweezing her brows, and article on the 72-hour work week fussing with creams that just of working mothers a few issues might dissolve wrinkles, so that ack.

Maybe the long hours in a factory with the job of house then comes-the inevitable, horrible keeping and child care after work moment when she has to decide has something to do with the what in the hell to wear the next

fact that I don't have rosy cheeks day, or - how to make three Almost every employment wealthy are beautiful be-

Seattle, Wash.

woman the role of mother and because Local 1581, spearheaded in the schools forthwith. What- trouble and expense of make-up, plaything. For this, youth is con- by genuine militants unconnected much approved by militants in sidered paramount. Bourgeois with Diantha Hoag, went strong- the plant, some leaders of the Conference would then be embodi- no sucker for beauty-aid ads, but women accordingly seek to give ly on record at two separate local called in Anthony Marino, ed in the form of a brief to be economic pressure - I have to the appearance of youth with the meetings last spring to defend a popular steward, to help fight face lifting, etc. Capitalist stan- sition if the company should take a tribute to Marino's reputation

After returning from Washcorrupted by an exploiting society, weeks. And for two weeks the

The Marxist standard of beauty

like Marxist morality, is taken from the needs of the struggle Join in Strike to bring socialism into the world. That struggle requires intelligence, courage, intellectual

honesty, compassion, and a firm across thousands of miles in a

beauty. A face can be ever so independent International Union afraid to put up a fight lest they groomed to the teeth, every hair to a simulation of youthful ers on Aug. 16 threw picket lines association." A few spoke up the seams in her hose are twisted, ly, narrowness of outlook, cupidity, cowardice, or moral Utah, Nevada, Arizona and New weakness, and thus be revoltingly Mexico. Kennecott controls 45% of the country's copper supply. On Aug. 19, another 7,000 em-

Women's present adherence to bourgeois society is indicated, in ployes of Kennecott - workers much, she's a hussy; and if she fact, by their devotion to the in the El Teniente mines of the looks worried (which she usually standards of beauty of the ruling Braden Copper Company, Ken-Los Angeles, Calif. is - over her appearance!), she's completely unacceptable because class. In this they are ridiculous, necott's Chilean subsidiary -"tense women make the boss and not "progressive" not "rebeljoined forces with their U.S. lious" as Louise Manning would brothers. They struck for wage have us think. But the working increases up to 75% and "fringe"

When she comes home after a hard day at work, she usually class women, like the working benefits. The walkout suspended class generally, are abandoning 40% of Chile's copper production. puts in 8 more hours cooking, these bourgeois standards. There cleaning, tending to the children, will be some feminine picket lines etc. But there's still no rest for and barricades in the future tancy, intelligence, and social They belong to other unions. the boss won't know she lied understanding developed by the

about her age to get the job. And combatants:

E. Patrick

In an unusual move that was victims of the McCarthy inqui this grievance. This was not only as a fighter, but also a sign that

at least part of the leadership ington, Diantha Hoag worked wanted to take a firm stand on unmolested at her job for two the case.

> In the hearing James Newman, industrial relations manager, read a long statement couched in legalistic terms and bristling with redbaiting. Along with the Fifth Amendment issue, the company added other charges such "falsification of an application blank," evidently fearing that the union would resist a simple "Fifth Amendment fir-

ing." Newman sidestepped all United States have joined hands questions and arguments by the union committee.

Most of the committee members, intimidated by the com-Some 5,000 members of the pany's redbaiting, sat silent, and fought back, but their effort necott Copper Corporation in was not enough to stop the company. Nevertheless, the committee was determined to resist and appealed the case to the top level of the grievance procedure.

This discharge is undoubtedly heavy blow against the Westinghouse workers. But the fact that the union committee opposed it and refused to go along with the company ultimatum, as in GE and other plants, shows a stiffening resistance among the workers and even in the union's leadership. A surprise to many Another 5,000 workers at the in the area, this resistance will which, if not manned by U.S. holdings of Kennecott are give progressive elements in the Miss Universes, will nevertheless respecting the picket lines of the plant an opportunity to organize achieve real beauty in the mili- Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, their forces for the next witch hunt battles.

On Aug. 23, the UMMSW That these are coming is shown called out its 15,000 members by newspaper reports that more from the Anaconda Copper Mining witnesses from the plant may Los Angeles, Calif. Company works in Montana and soon be called before the Mc-Arizona and the company's sub- Carthy committee. Meanwhile The Militant welcomes letters sidiary plants of the American progressive elements in the plant to the editor expressing readers' Brass Company at Buffalo, N. Y., are hard at work to make the

views on current problems. The and Ansonia and Torrington, union's resolution to defend Mc-



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