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# Dear Editor: Is There No Hope But to 'Dig and Pray'? Der Him Char March 12) I read in the pages that Gvide deverybody what to do in case of a Construction of the pages that Gvide deverybody what to do in case of a Construction of the pages that Gvide deverybody what to do in case of a Construction of the pages that Gvide deverybody what to do in case of a Construction of the pages that Gvide deverybody what to do in case of a Construction of the pages that Construction of the pages that Gvide deverybody what to do in case of a Construction of the pages that to do the pages that Construction of the pages that Con

advised everybody what to do in case of a hydrogen bomb war. He said for each of us to build some kind of underground shelter "right now." He also said we should stock it with food and water to last "five or six days."

Especially with guided missiles that can cross the ocean in a few minutes, Mr. Peterson said, "we had all better dig and pray."

Of course, I don't want my family and me to be sitting ducks for an H-bomb. But living on the lower East Side of Manhattan this advice to "dig and pray" isn't so simple to follow, especially . the first part and especially "right now." I don't have a pick and shovel to begin with.

And if everybody took Mr. Peterson's advice about digging himself a shelter, you wouldn't be able to buy a pick or a shovel for a thousand dollars a piece, I'll bet. There'd be riots in front of every tool supply store. It would be worth a man's

have the building superintendent on my neck in no time. And maybe a squad of cops too. They'd have me up for malicious destruction of property and building without a permit. And my landlord could evict me for violating my lease and sue me. Besides, I don't think I have the strength to dig a hole in Manhattan soil. You see it's solid rock. I'd have to blast and you can guess what that would do to this 60-year-old tenement I'm in. I've talked to some of my neighbors and some of the fellows in the shop and most of them say they just don't like to think about it. They say that if an H-bomb hits New York nothing's going to help them, not even a prayer. It makes me sore to think we're being told to dig our own graves "right now." Is the only future left to us to "dig and pray?"

Yours sincerely, **A Reader** 

# Dear Reader:

"Dig and pray" is the only future the private profit system of American capitalism offers to you and all the people. If so-called "free enterprise" is allowed to rule much longer, an H-bomb war with all its ghastly consequences will be the outcome. The capitalist themselves and their political agents have no other perspective. They can only try to make the inevitable seem slightly less horrible. They give us a ray of hope - "dig and pray." But no one is really fooled by it. You, obviously, are not and, in their own way, neither are your neighbors and shopmates.

The other proposition being "studied" is as fantastic and farcical as the "dig and pray" advice. You probably also read of the conference of the New York, New Jersey and Connecticut governors who suggest as an alternative to "dig and pray," the evacuation of target cities - New York specifically.

Anyone who has ever been in New York City knows what a job it is to get through ordinary everyday traffic. The idea of trying to evacuate more than 8 million people from the metropolis in an hour's time and shifting them more than 200 miles away to be safe from radioactive fallout is fan-

crawling all over each other in a vain flight from atomic doom.

The capitalist propagandists sneer at us socialists and try to represent us as crazy fantasists, dangerous conspiratorial madmen who should be locked up. Is there anything madder, more insane than a system like American capitalism which offers the "dig and pray" and "flight into nowhere" alternatives.

Socialism doesn't offer us the millionto-once chance of survival after an Hbomb hits within 200 miles of us. It guarantees an end to the threat of H-bomb war. It ends the possibility of war altogether.

Capitalism, with its struggles for control of markets, spheres of influence, outlets for investment of accumulated capital, breeds war. It has given us two world wars and dozens of colonial wars, including Korea and Indo-China, within

out — the fight for socialism. Fight for a cooperative, classless, planned economy,

1 DON'T SMELL A THING\_

Do You ?

# including Korea and Indo-China, within 40 years. And now it holds the perspective for the world of "dig and pray," as you point out. But this need not be. The future rests with you and the mil-lions upon millions like you. There is a way out — the fight for socialism. Fight for a (Warfare continues in the Au-) is against the law. (2) The po-) ation of great scope, called cated here, together with a vast denied the protection of the Fifth

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without private profit. Win a future of res Mts. of Algeria between the licemen did not leave any docu-"Aloes."

# Hits Right to Confront Accusers; Would Fire For Mere "Suspicion"

### By Joseph Keller

Attorney General Brownell and his Justice Department have filed a brief with the U.S. Supreme Court asserting the Administration's right to fire any federal employe as a "security risk" without giving him the constitutional right to confront his accuser and on mere **G**"suspicion" of "disloyalty."

# **Chicago-Portrait Of an American Industrial City**

By Farrell Dobbs National Secretary Socialist Workers Party

butcher for the world, tool maker, "information" from an unidentistacker of wheat, player with railroads and the

nation's freight handler: stormy, husky, brawling, city of the big shoulders." Thus did the poet Carl Sandburg once describe Chicago. If anything, his city today

measures up even more fully to Sandburg's dy-namic feel of its DOBBS

character. Big sectors of almost

all the basic industries are lo-

the Bill of Rights; (2) He was complex of diversified production Amendment against being "deprived of life, liberty or proper-

ty, without due process of law."

ty" cases the dismissal "could

The Justice Department brief

Administrations' answer to an appeal before the Supreme Court by Dr. John Punnett Peters, Senior Professor of Medicine at Yale University. Dr. Peters was summarily dismissed from what is described as a "non-sensitive" part-time federal job because of "reasonable doubt" as to his "loyalty." In Dr. Peters' case, as in most CHICAGO, March 1 — "Hog of the government page on FBI the accusation was based on FBI

The brief is the Eisenhower

fied informant. Press reports indicate that the accuser is Louis Budenz, who made \$70,000 in seven years as a professional stoolpigeon against alleged "Com-munists." Budenz quit the Comnunist Party in 1945.

#### DEPRIVED OF RIGHTS

Dr. Peters contends he has been deprived of his constitutional rights on two counts: (1) He was not given the opportunity to confront and cross-examine those who brought harmful accusations against him, as prescribed in the Sixth Amendment, contained in

tasy. But you can take your pick under capitalism — die praying where you are on your knees in a grave you have dug yourself or die running away in a gigantic mob panic with people clawing and

peace, security and plenty. You say it's a French Army and guerrilla bands ment, particularly the duplicate digging a hole in the rocky ground and waiting for the world to collapse on top of you?

# Ouster of Bevan--No "Healthy Vitality" **Right-Wing Blow** Seen in U.S. Economy

### By Art Preis

Despite cheery reports from the Administration, the and other right-wing leaders of American capitalist economy continues to show signs of the British Labor Party pushed instability. Unemployment is creeping up again. During through the expulsion of Aneuthe last three months of 1954, O-

the official figures on the job- in jobless was reported as 36,000 less had fallen below 3,000,000. during the month, while the de- They further threaten his expul-But the total rose last month to cline in those working was found sion from the party altogether. 3,383,000, according to the March to be 212,000. There might be 9 report of the Department of some plausible explanation for close - 142 to 112. And Attlee Labor and Commerce. From the this discrepancy if this figure failed to receive a clear majority, 1954 low point in October, the were not a low for the whole as numerous Labor Members of number of unemployed increased period going back to March 1952, Parliament abstained. When the 642,000 by February this year. | except for the single month of plans to expel Bevan were an-

It was on Feb. 1, 1954, that Jan. 1954, when the number of nounced two weeks ago a storm an official spokesman for the employed fell briefly to 59,753,- of protest from Labor Party clubs White House told the Congres- 000. There has not been another and union locals from all over sional Joint Committee on the month since March 1952 when Britain broke over the right-wing President's Economic Report that employment did not go over leaders. But they went ahead with

unemployment "in the foresee- 60,000,000. between 2,000,000 and 2,500,000. DISAPPEARING WORKERS Last August the total labor So far, that future appears very force - employed and unem-

dim.

The latest Joint Committee, ployed combined — was 65,522,which reported on March 14, has 000. Last month, however, this produced three divergent reports. figure was down to 63,321,000 In one, the Republicans and Dem- - a shrinkage of 2,201,000 in ocrats arrived at agreement that the number of people working Gaitskell, speak for the officialthe "economy has been improv- or available for work. What hap- dom of the British trade-union ing since late in 1954," although pened to these more than two there are "elements of uncertain- million people? Were they just ty." In a separate supplementary kicked around until they disapreport, the seven Democrats on peared? Are they uninterested the committee cautioned that "we in getting jobs as the Adminisare not out of the words." The tration claims? Or is the govern-Republican minority claimed, ment using this explanation as however, that the economy is ex- an excuse to conceal the real extent of unemployment? hibiting a "healthy vitality." New workers have been enter-

#### EMPLOYMENT DROPS

ing the labor force at the rate in the name of their unions. The above-cited figures on the of 750,000 annually. The popularise in unemployment certainly tion grew nearly three million in WORKERS WANTED CHANGE the hearing was concerned with a do not confirm a diagnosis of 1954 - some 13,400,000 in the "healthy vitality." But neither five years since January 1950. into the government in 1945 by which would bar minerity par- thought that have been made by finish his statement. group of political quacks on This constant huge expansion of the popular upheaval of that ties by raising the signatures minority parties in this country. Capitol Hill has discussed one the population and the entry of year, which elected the Labor they need to qualify for a place He warned that their suppres-

The number of those gainfully look very dubious. employed fell in February to 59,- In the field of production, the once and for all, of the kind of The sponsors of Section 685 rebeen 60,150,000. Thus, the rise (Continued on page 3)

rin Bevan, left-wing leader, from the party caucus in Parliament. the PCI. Thus the searches, in-The vote, however, was very in three press releases, dated Dec. 16, Jan. 17 and Feb. 3, respectively, continue. eration:

their attempt at silencing the left-wing regardless.

By Daniel Roberts

On March 16, Clement Attlee

What is involved in the conflict? The fight can best be understood according to the lineup of forces behind Attlee and

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student groups last night staged Bevan respectively. Attlee and other right wing an impressive demonstration Michigan ballot. movement. These officials form a

The occasion was a hearing on conservative bureaucracy on the Senate Bill 1011 in the Senate same order as the AFL and CIO chamber in Lansing. Today's Deofficialdom in this country. troit News reported that "State They are capitalist minded and Police detectives mixed with the rule their respective unions diccrowd of 200, which was heavily tatorially. They control the Britsprinkled with Wayne University ish Labor Party at the present students. time by virtue of the bloc vote

Republican-sponsored Bill 1011 they cast at party conventions proposes over 50 changes in the state election code. But most of

These bureaucrats were swept single proposal, Section 685,

mation. They wanted to get rid, in the previous election. tem in America.

dence. Krim Belkacen, whose such as the law formally pre- square kilometers (region of own strength has come into beletter appears below, is one of scribes. these partisan leaders. The But the March 8 raid goes sult: one of your soldiers was ing on a scale far beyond those ploye can be "dismissed without symbolized by the Haymarket a hearing that meets the proce-

Verite, printed his letter and the procedural irregularities. Again, Douar M'Kira, disarmed, then riots, the Pullman strike and the dural requirements of the Fifth French police seized the issue. it is freedom of the press, it is cowardly assassinated by these 1937 Memorial Day massacre that Amendment" and that in "loyal-We also print below La Verite's freedom of opinion, it is free-soldiers.

news release on the suppression dom of information that are inof its issue of March 5.-Ed.) volved. PARIS, March 10 - On March In effect, a partisan chief of pursuit plane, snipe on the homes sents a surface appearance of This is so raw and alien to 8, 1955, at 7 P.M., four inspectors Aures sends to the press a letter of my family (useless demonstra- economic upturn. Unemployment every traditional concept of At British Labor s, 1955, at 7 P.M., four inspectors Aures sends to the press a letter of my family (useless demonstrate economic upturn. Chemptoynenic every traditional concept of the Criminal Brigade barged on Jan. 21 of this year addressed tion of strength and of zeal), has dropped 17,000 from the American justice that even top in on the pressident of the President of the Council, invade the home of my father, peak figure reached last July. Justice Department officials are in on the premises of the Inter- to the President of the Council, invade the home of my father, peak figure reached last July. Justice Department officials are

nationalist Communist Party the Minister of the Interior, the Krim El-Hadj, 80 years old. The The papers carry long lists of reportedly opposed to Brownell's (French section of the Fourth Governor General of Algeria, the latter, who has already lost his International), 46 Rue de l'Arbre General Prosecutor of Algiers. eyesight, gave 33 years of ser- profits are up and dividends on the Solicitor General, and others The press says not one word (Continued on page 3)

Sec, Paris, 1. The object of this police oper- about this letter. The duty of ation was to seize Issue No. 350 the press is to print objective of "La Verite", central organ of information.

That is why "La Verite" Issue terrogations and investigating No. 350 published the letter of commissions that we denounced Krim Belkacem.

A Letter from Krim Belkacem

chief of the partisans of Aures Two flagrant breaches of law to the President of the Republic. vere committed during this op-Mr. President:

On Dec. 26 and 27, 1954, the (1) The search and seizure week of March 27. took place after sundown, which French Army unleashed an oper-

units A giant industrial work-According to indications in the tough fight? Is it any tougher than fighting for Algerian indepen- of the order to search and seize press, 4,000 soldiers patrol 1,000 ing class that doesn't know its Dra-El-Mizan and Mirabeau.) Re- ing. And class battles are brew- claims that a government em-

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rocked Chicago in their time.

Presently listed as a favorable properly be based not on proved Commanded by officers, hundreds of soldiers, supported by a employment area, the city pre- fact but on suspicion."

corporation executives. A look beneath the surface they may under some circumtells a different story, however, stances require the application of about life in Chicago. To begin due process." (N.Y. Times, March with some 150,000 remained on 13.) Sobeloff has declined to sign unemployment compensation as the Department's brief or argue of January, the latest month for the government's case before the which official figures are avail- high court. auto workers, who will be able. Moreover, these people have

"help wanted" ads. Corporation procedure. "Simon E. Sobeloff, some stocks have been boosted hold that because of the stigma as have the salaries of numerous attached to those dismissed for disloyalty, or on suspicion of it.

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The Peters case goes to the survived a screening process cal- heart of the Department of Jusculated to hold jobless payments | tice and FBI system of frameup

to a minimum. January figures through paid informers. This foul (Continued on page 2)

Union Heads Score Ballot-Ban

NEXT WEEK

The March 28 issue of

The Militant will contain

special articles discussing

the problems of the CIO

holding their national con-

vention in Cleveland the

DETROIT. March 10 -- Labor, Michigan CIO Council, expressed posed 7½%, members of the number of people who attended Coming out against Section 685. Senate Committee tried to get the founding convention of the he said, "The Democratic Party civil liberties, minority party and his organization's opposition. "In a democratic government Lockwood and other witnesses to Republican Party in this state. is not afraid of competition from we should welcome new ideas," suggest a "reasonable" figure. (See page two for excerpts the minority parties.'

Labor politicians such as Hugh against a legislative measure to Scholle said. "You can't have But Lockwood, like other oppo- from Lovell's statement.) A spokesman for the Socialist Effective arguments against Party, Woodrow Ingram, made a remove minority parties from the them if you destroy the ma- nents of Section 685, insisted that chinery of expression at the if there was to be any change Section 685 were also presented telling point when he attacked polls.' in the requirement, it should be by Harriet Talan, chairman of the present one percent require-Even the Senate Election Com- made lower than one percent, not the Young Socialist Club of ment, showing that even this was

mittee members listened with a higher. show of respect to the views of

Charles C. Lockwood, the distin-

guished attorney who spoke both for himself as an individual and of the Socialist Workers Party at Wayne. for the Citizens Committee and candidate for Superintendent

Against Section 685 of Senate of Public Instruction in the April ACLU SMEARED 4 election, also attacked Section Republican legislators tried to Bill 1011.

Scoring Section 685 as another 685 vigorously. His remarks redbait Dr. Walter Bergman, repexpression of the "drive toward struck home with such force that resenting the American Civil conformity," Lockwood recalled he was interrupted twice by the Liberties Union, and George izens Committee were unable to the contributions to political committee and not allowed to Troutt, representing the Council

on Rights and Reform at Wayne The next move is up to the University. The smears came in Asked what number of sig-Senate Elections Committee. natures he thought the law should the form of questions, Bergman Opinion in the crowded hearing of the most serious symptoms. new workers into the labor force Party by a 2 to 1 vote over the on the ballot from one per cent sion at the polls would mean require, Lovell proposed that mi- being asked if the ACLU had chamber as the session ended last That is the figure not of the makes the Administration's claims Tories. What the working people to 71/2 percent of the vote re- eventual preparations for the es- nority and new parties be given sent money to the Rosenbergs night was that Section 685 has unemployed, but the employed. about a shrinking labor force wanted was a socialist transfor- ceived by the Secretary of State tabiishment of a one-party sys- a place on the ballot by holding and Troutt being asked if the received a severe setback, and a convention attended by 25 per- CORR is a "cell." that the Senate committee may

Fishing around for a "com- sons. In any case, he added, they The Democratic state chair- even delete it before referring 938,000. The January total had two most important elements in conditions that led to the bitter ceived their heaviest blow, when promise" between the present one should not be required to submit man, Neil Staebler, also testified the bill back to the Senate for August Scholle, speaking for the percent requirement and the pro- more than 1500 signatures, the on several sections of Bill 1011. a vote.

Other speakers against Section 685 included representatives of

Party and the Prohibition Party. A number of other people from the labor movement and the Cit-

get time to speak.

Wayne University, when she read stringent enough to have kept his resolutions against the measure party off the Michigan ballot in that had been passed by her club recent years.

> the Mechanics Educational Society, CIO, the Socialist Labor

FORCEFUL STATEMENT Frank Lovell, state chairman and the Young Democratic Club

### THE MILITANT

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Page Two --

# 'What Can We Do?'

Matthew Eichner, age 50 and his wife, Mary, age 40, are an all too typical example of the tragedy which pervades the "sick" industries of this country. They live in Wilkes-Barre, Penna., the heart of the anthracite coal region. Matthew Eichner is, or rather was for 30 years a miner. Now he has been unemployed for a year, not because he isn't a good miner, but because anthracite is a "declining" industry. In plain language, capitalism no longer has any use for anthracite miners. Because he is 50 years old other industries are reluctant to take him on and fits during two world wars in train him. They prefer "fresh" labor power which can yield more profit.

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Eichner were interviewed on a TV program by Sylvia F. Porter, the columnist, who writes on economic subjects. She later included some of Co. the interview in her syndicated column of March 11.

Here are some of the replies of Matthew and Mary Eichner to Sylvia Porter's questions.

#### What are they living on?

Matt: "We're getting \$27 a week unemployment insurance and because I've had a couple of odd jobs in the year, I've been able to keep the insurance." Mary: lites. "We had our savings to help for a while but now all the money we saved all these years is gone."

How do they live in a city on \$27 a week?

Mary: "We don't live, we exist. I get bones from the butcher for soup, I bake my own bread. . . Our rent is \$20 a month." Matt: "The suit I have on is seven years old, Mary's suit is almost as old. We only wear these clothes on occasions. We don't buy clothes.'

#### What does the man do all day?

Matt: "I get up and read the papers given to us and listen to the radio (which is 18 years old) and I walk the floor, I walk the floor. . ." Mary: "He drives me crazy being under my feet all day."

What about their social life and friends?

Matt: "We don't have any social life. We stay home." Mary: "We know some families where wives have been able to get jobs and the husbands are taking over the housework. It hurts the men but there's money coming in. If I could get a job." (a timid glance at Matt). . Matt: "Oh, my God."

#### What are they going to do?

Matt: "What can we do? I asked my relatives in New Jersey if I could get work there but they said there aren't any jobs for coal miners who are 50." Mary: "I'm so scared. Someone has to help us."

# LOVELL'S DECLARATION TO MICH. LEGISLATORS

(Frank Lovell, Michigan state chairman of the Socialist Work ers Party, appeared before a public hearing in Lansing on March 9 in the state election law that would make it more difficult than it into the other's sphere of domin- milking the railroads. The vir- gent material interests, and ut- der which the Bank of Manhat- \$1,256.50 was sent in by our read- way, included a special \$100 donalready is for minority parties and new parties to appear on the ation except under penalty of tual revolution in travel from terly insatiable appetites for tan operates. No newspaper ex- ers all over the country who want ation from a devoted reader of ballot in Michigan." Because he was allowed to present only part

# The American Rockefellers Open Civil War in Bankers Struggle

By Sam Marcv Rockefellers operated mainly

A power struggle of unprece- oil. The vast merchandising field dented proportions has broken out in the Eastern states was the within the ruling factions of special preserve of the Corn Ex-American finance capital. The change Bank, through which the struggle is as deep as it is viru- Lehman family gathered in their lent, and rages from one end of harvest. In Boston the dominant family groups clustered around the country to the other. Principal contenders in the manufacturing industry, with utilities and banking as secgan empire, whose power over ondary lines. In Cleveland the American industry is so great it. grouped around the steel indusis said to be beyond statistical try in the Ohio area and the measurement; the Rockefeller oil Cleveland Trust Co. A roughly octopus, the richest single famsimilar arrangement existed in ily group in America; the closely the reigning family groups in knit duPont dynasty, whose pro-Chicago. Even the mighty Morgans were confined to the prochemicals, auto and rubber makes vinces of steel, coal and railit a close second to the Rockefelroads. lers; and the multi-billion dollar

But the consequences flowing investment banking and railroad from the Second World War have financing firm of Kuhn, Loeb and dealt a fatal blow to these arrangements.

Just as deeply involved but not SHIFTS IN POWER

quite so directly are the Gian-Take, for instance, the Mellons, nini's (the powerful west-coast banking group), the Mellons of who started with pots and pans, Pittsburgh, the Henry Ford fam- and have now graduated to interily of Detroit, the so-called Texas continental bombers. They regroup of millionaires, and a score quire a much larger base of or so of lesser lights and sateloperations, not to speak of larger profits, than they had under the

The major antagonism in the previously existing monopolistic struggle is between the Morgans arrangement. The sensational rise of Kaiser railroad coaches, and that airand the Rockefellers. This is fur-

Aluminum to a position of prom- line traffic last year totaled ther aggravated by the fact that inence in the industry, is merely more passenger miles than rail in the Morgan orbit, have ob-tained such vast accumulations coalition of banking cliques, head notice. These seemingly prosaic the duPonts, hitherto a satellite ed by Morgan and the First Bos- facts, however, carry momentous of wealth, that they well-nigh threaten the Morgans themselves. within the old limits."

CAUSE OF RIFT The cause of the giant rift in to the second World War, they Their efforts to cope with it by now raging among the brethren America's ruling circles is two- were merely the giant in chem-shifting some of their assets of the banking fraternity. Tipfold. First, is the scramble for icals, with subsidiary holdings away from rails, is meeting des- off that this war was on in the phenomenal wealth created confined primarily to auto and perate resistance as an outrageous earnest, came in the form of an by the sweat and blood of the rubber. Today it is accurately invasion of the "rights" of others. announcement last January 15th, American workers under the im- stated that there is no man-made pact of the Second World War. product which hasn't got some a lower plane, could be multi- would combine with the Bank of Second, is the rapid tempo of duPont ingredient. The recent mergers in textile, trate the driving forces generatdevelopment of American production due not merely to the impact of the last war, but even ican Woolen Co., for decades the in the hierarchy of finance capmore to the preparations for the undisputed ruler in textile, into itai. the smaller Textron, Inc., can The new wealth and new tech- only be clearly understood if BEHIND THE MERGERS next one.

nology simply can't fit into the viewed against the background of There have been more than total budgets of half the states old pattern of domination. They the duPonts, emerging in recent 10,000 mergers since the last in the union with room to spare have thrown everything out of years as the leading manufac- war, according to an estimate for the national budgets of Norkilter. Old alliances between rul- turer of textiles. The dislocation quoted in the Wall Street Journal. way, Denmark and Sweden! ing factions based on old relation- of plants and consequent unem- This seemingly endless proces-Coalitions of dynastic financial and industrial cliques, regarded duPonts. once as the mainstay of stability in the inner circle of the Amer-

ican ruling class, are showing Loeb and Co.; they have been of conflict is almost always ab- assets involved! seams

In pre-World War II days, there was a sort of rough un- defiance of a well-established entity to show him the sharp Bank would "abandon" its privi-

railroad to auto, truck and plane plunder and profit. is a key to this significant shift Of course there has been pub- this. The impression was left with This is the largest amount we severe reprisals. Thus the Mello ted a virtual monopoly in alum- in the strategy of this powerful licity on occasion, such as on the the reader, that the reason for inum, with their share of hold- oligarchy. The announcement last Jan. White for the control of the New was that the Bank of Manhattan brings us over the two-thirds weeks and will all take their place restricted to mere auxiliaries of 20th, that for the first time in York Central, and the current was one of the oldest in the coun- mark on the way to our \$15,000 in the 100% category by the end ings in steel, coal and railroads their aluminum interests. The history, airplanes now carry more struggle between Wolfson and try, having been founded in 1799 goal.

revealed.

The late J. P. Morgan, who headed the powerful banking family that grew rich on war deals, was involved in dramatic Senate hearings in 1934 on the rule of big finance in America. The Morgan interests are engaged in the bitter struggle for control of the biggest banks in the country.

long-distance passengers than holdings.

BATTLE, IN BANKING

The arena of the biggest struggle is banking, the most sensiten Corp. to keep the Mellons significance. Kuhn, Loeb and Co. tive institution of the capitalist are fully aware of the meaning system. This is best exemplified Or take the duPonts - prior of the rise of air transportation. in the virtual civil war that is Examples of this kind, but on that the Chase National Bank plied by the dozen. They illus- Manhattan Co., forming the largest banking merger in American which liquidated the giant Amer-ing the current antagonisms with- history. Its importance in the economic life of the country could scarcely be overestimated. Their combined assets are in excess of

\$7½ billion — more than, the

In order to accomplish this ships of forces are crumbling. ployment in New England should sion of mergers is portrayed in feat, the Rockefellers, who con-Or take that colossus of rail- combines with another to achieve the American people that rivals road finance known as Kuhn, a common objective. The element in size the magnitude of the

signs of coming apart at the quietly and surreptitiously trans- sent in this description. The press In the press release announcferring a goodly portion of their rarely, if ever, takes the reader ing the proposed merger, it was assets to "growth industries" in behind the mask of the corporate stated that the Chase National

derstanding among the giant rul- practice of sticking to their time- clash for power between contend- leges under its federal charter

plained the real reason behind to see The Militant kept going. the paper.

Avery for control of Montgomery by Aaron Burr, and therefore a dozen employes - and they Ward. But, these are exceptions. was hallowed by tradition. Pic- are to supervise a bank (in ad-Even here, only the satellites and tures of the old bank building dition to many other banks) not the principal contenders are and even the pistol which Aaron which has 17 branches in Eng-Burr allegedly used in his duel land, France, Germany, Japan,

pours out a stream of abundant bank. data, both true and false, on

power struggles within the Soviet The real reason, however, for orbit, keeps a discreet silence on the gargantuan power struggle Chase's "abandonment" of its fed- New York Times referred to the at the very summits of the rul- eral charter in favor of a state merger as a "rare synthesis of ing oligarchy at home. The re- charter lies in the shift from size and tradition" (the size of cent crop of literary apologists federal to state supervision. To the Chase National Bank, and for American capitalism would put the \$7½ billion banking cor- the tradition of the Bank of poration under the supervision of Manhattan). have us believe that sweet reathe banking department of the sonableness, unity, and stability reign supreme. This is allegedly State of New York, is tanta- ever, this "rare synthesis" repdue to the new realization by the mount to putting an elephant oligarchs of their "social reponsibilities" to the masses.

In his remarkable work of property. Not being a Marx- allotted to supervision of the while they unite the possessing

class as against the non-possess ing class, also operate to divide the possessors among themselves. And these divisions grow in proportion to the vastness of their

The American press, which with Alexander Hamilton were Cuba, Puerto Rico, Panama and more than any other in the world reported to be on display at the the Canal Zone, and its five representative offices in Mexico, Argentina, Italy, India and Le-

FANTASTIC CYNICISM banon!

In a laudatory editorial, the

To the House of Morgan, howresented the biggest challenge under supervision of a flea. The it had received in more than half cynicism of the Rockefellers here a century. The Morgans were not reaches fantastic proportions. taken by surprise. On the heels

America's 60 Families," Ferdi- This can be seen by an examin- of the announcement of the Rocknand Lundberg vividly describes ation of the current budget of efeller controlled Chase merger. the almost feudal bonds which the State of New York, which the Morgans opened a broadside unite America's ruling families amounts to more than one bil- counterattack, which we will dison the basis of vast aggregations lion dollars. A mere \$33,090 is cuss in the next article.

(First of a series. Watch for ist, however, he fails to see that banking department, which can't the next installment: "The House these enormous accumulations, possibly provide for more than of Morgan Counterattacks.")

\$15,000 Fund	Sco	rebo	ard
City	Quota	Paid	Percent
Allentown	\$ 75	\$ 88.00	117
Pittsburgh	150	155.00	104
Seattle	175	175.00	100
Youngstown	200	200.00	100
Chicago	1,600	1,472.50	92
Detroit	750	680.00	90
Boston	600	507.00	84
Newark	275	220.50	80
Philadelphia	400	317.00	79
Cleveland	250	190.00	76
Milwaukee	250	177.00	71
Los Angeles	3,000	2,055.83	68
Minneapolis-St. Paul	1,200	759.00	63
San Francisco	800	501.00	62
Akron	125	75.00	60
Buffalo	1,600	925.00	58
New York	3,200	1,749,50	54
St. Louis	75	32.50	43
Oakland	300	118.00	. 39
General		12.00	
Totals through March 15	\$15,025	\$10,409.83	69



By Constance Farr Campaign Manager

A banner week in our Press | geles, \$314. The large contribuhonored profession — that of ing groups, representing diver- in favor of the state charter, un- Fund Campaign! A total of tion from Los Angeles, by the

This burst of speed gives us

of his statement orally, we print the text of the final part of statement below. - Ed.)

I am convinced that in the near | question would have been in future the people of this state doubt, because 71/2% of the are going to be so dissatisfied preceding successful candidate's vote means that the Republican with the two major parties that would have had to get more than they will want to form a new party that will better represent | twice as many people at the Jack their interests - a Labor Party, son convention as actually di uniting the workers and farmers appear there. In other words, the and housewives and minority might have made it under Section gro.ps. By making it difficult or 685 and they might not.

. impossible for us to get on the NO SECTION 685 ballot today, Section 685 (of Bill

But fortunately there was no 1011) will also be making it dif-Section 685 in those days. Forficult or impossible for other tunately there were no arbitrary groups in the future, bigger restrictions against new parties groups, perhaps groups represent-Fortunately the Republican Party ing a majority of the population, got on the ballot. And it not only to have their own party and fot on the ballot as a new party candidates on the ballot. Whoever is responsible for but it won the first election cam paign it entered, in November creating such a situation will be 1854, electing the Governor and condemned - and justly conwinning control of both house. demned - as an enemy of demoof the Legislature. cratic procedure and tradition.

This victory, which might not Let me give you one further have taken place at all if a Secand final illustration of the inherent injustice of Section 685. To tion 685 had operated in those days, was so electrifying that the do this I must refresh your party spread to other states and memory about the history of this a short six years later elected a state. Republican president (Abraham

#### BIRTH OF GOP

Lincoln) and became the majority One hundred and one years party of the country. If a Section 685 had operated ago, in 1854, a third party was born in this state. It was somen those days a new party migh thing new and daring, the most not even have been attempted, or radical party of the time. It was if attempted, might not have got called the Republican Party. on the ballot, and not getting on the ballot might have died still-The Republican Party, one of the two major parties today, born. All of subsequent American began as a minority party, and history might have been different. had to overcome all the dif-In fact, if I may say so, most of you members of this committee ficulties and prejudices that have always faced minority parties. night not be sitting where you One of the difficulties was in are today — aside from whether getting on the ballot. you or I think that would be a

The procedures were somewhat good thing. different a hundred years ago Therefore I conclude by urging than they are today. The new ou: Do not freeze the political Republican Party got on the structure of this state. Let the people choose freely at the polls. ballot by calling a mass convention in Jackson on July 6, 1854. Don't make it harder for the peo-Fifteen hundred people turned ple to make a free choice. out and thus the Republican

- Party got on the ballot. Now I

The U.S. Capital is in danger less than it has in the past. Many ask you to consider what would + have happened if something like of becoming neurosis-ridden, ac- part-time jobs are advertised with your proposed Section 685 had cording to a report given to the a preference indicated for people been on the statute books at that 32nd annual meeting of the Amer- already working. Much of this time. Would the Republican Party by Mrs. Charlotte A. Kaufman. have been able to qualify for the The "loyalty" program is blamed peddlers complain they are doing workers into the area now ap- meat production is at the same ballot under such a provision - for the development of new an- badly, especially in the poorer pears to be tapering off into the time cutting into employment in 71/2 % of the vote cast for the xiety strains. This conclusion was neighborhoods, green hands at former seasonal pattern. Although the Chicago packing houses. Due winning candidate in the previous based on a study of 30 psychia- door-to-door sales don't figure to tool and die job shops have thus to automation and decentraliza-

tric cases in Washington, D.C. do very well. general election? I have studied the statistics The problem threatens to become

same. You will find that the specialist warned.

.Chicago -- Portrait of a Giant Industrial City

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to be undergoing an economic up- some form of subsidy. also report 149,000 people on return. Among the hardest hit are The market for farm equiplief, an increase of almost 15,the Negro people who appear io ment does not seem to be in too 000 since last July, which shows constitute a majority of those good shape. International Harhat some have exhausted their subsisting on jobless compensa- vester has on hand an unusual inemployment benefits without tion or public relief. Their plight inventory of several hundred new inding a job. Part of the jump is made even worse by the high tractors which have been placed rents they must pay, often on on display to discourage union n the relief rolls is also due to an influx of people from other a weekly basis, for slum dwell- demands in the coming contract egions who come to the city ooking for work.

'SCISSOR-BILLS" WANTED on this way.

Taking advantage of the prequalifications for jobs. They cull he job applicants for those who are young, healthy, white and scissor-bills. Negroes usually get only the least desirable jobs and even then a preference is shown Chicago area for Mexican victims for those newly arrived from Southern farming regions.

tion.

in the country. Arrests have gen-Jobs are hard to find in the big plants. Those hired are somerant. times laid off before sufficient time has clapsed for them to

into a loft building turned into tion workers. qualify for the seniority lists. a jail by the use of chicken wire partitions. Fed nothing but cold changing the thinking of some Later they may be called back only to be laid off again. A cyclical pattern of short-term employment thus develops that has week. During that brief time appearing among them. Recent the earmarks of a corporation scheme to weed out potential mil- these people, so callously uprootitants among new employes be- ed, had to collect their pay checks, fore they get seniority protec-

sell their cars and other proper-Want ads for industrial labor ty and say their last farewells. are generally for small shops A closer look at the local econ where the applicants are often omic situation, which contains compelled to accept wages below the danger of the present "labor the union scale in order to get reserve" becoming transformed hired. Office employment seems into an army of unemployed, will to be getting tighter and paying help to explain this brutal assault on the Mexican workers.

THREAT OF DECLINE

ployed. Similar inroads have been The construction boom which made on other operations through ican Orthopsychiatric Association part-time work is in the door- ran strong during the past three the use of automatic devices. to-door sales line. Since regular years and drew many outside Geographic decentralization of

far maintained full operation, tion Armour is said to be com-These facts show that a large their production contracts are pressing its whole operation here closely and I urge you to do the one of "national proportions," the number of workers are being put beginning to run out and an em- into, one-half, the former space through the wringer at the very ployment decline threatens unless and a mass lay-off of 1,500 is ex-

his consolidation.

FIGHTING SPEEDUP of the area. Some plants are fir-

and more Negroes are expressing previous work force of about 10,the feeling that things can't go 000 at the General Motors Electromotive works has been cut al- The company could make these pretation to the happenings as Perhaps the roughest time of most in half. Some rehiring is vicious reprisals stick because of they unfold. With the further thanks to a reader in Alberta, sence of this "labor reserve," the all has been had by the Mexican now taking place there but the the paralyzing weaknesses in the collapse of capitalism, it will Canada, who just sent in a subpeople since a mass deportation introduction of assembly line top leadership of the union move-Diesel locomotives and a conse- are setting the stage for guer- for the building of our paper." Press Fund.

up of hundreds of border patrol quent stiffening of the speedup rilla warfare on the production With only three more weeks men gathered from all parts of promises to leave many workers lines as worker ingenuity to go, most cities are moving into men gathered from all parts of promises to leave many workers the country has been combing the out in the cold. Automation is spreading in the

unable to prove they are legally chemical industry; cutting so victimization. Propelled by all the mounting deeply into employment that in erally been made without a war- some cases the combined techpressures of capitalism in decay. nical, office and sales personnel a new layer of vanguard elements Hundreds have been thrown actually outnumbers the produc- are feeling their way out ahead

These developments seem to be

stable work force. Because of automation only ten workers are

> New York Friday Forum Fri., March 25, 8 P. M. Speaker: Art Sharon "Matusow's Expose of

the Witch Hunt"

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have received in a single week confidence that other cities will struggle between Young and "abandoning" the federal charter since the campaign started, and be following suit in these last

of the campaign.

The biggest leap of any city Our Pittsburgh readers, the last week was made by Youngs- first group to go over the top, town. A remittance of \$125 from will be pleased to hear what our readers there immed them Seattle, another city with a 100% from their next-to-last standing record, has to say about them. of the previous week to the top Clara Kaye writes: "Heartiest time when the area is supposed they obtain new contracts or pected with the completion of group of four cities that have congratulations to our Pittsburgh done 100% or better on their friends for being the first to campaign pledges. Congratula- complete their quota --- and even tions, Youngstown! And our ap- to surpass it! Such an accom-Speedup pressures are getting preciation for what Ted has to say plishment merits the admiration worse in all the big industries about the paper: "The Militant of readers of The Militant everyexpresses the day-by-day moods where. With such wonderful exing workers for failing to meet of the masses, clarifies the issues amples being set for us, this stepped-up production quotas. as they arise and makes these fund drive should prove remark-Worker resistance through pro- issues fit into their rightful place ably successful. . . Even though ings in segregated areas. More negotiations. In the past year the test slow-downs and sudden epi- in the class struggle and the we are already a bit over our demics of sickness have in some future of humanity. The Mili- quota, we don't quit until March cases led to mass suspensions. tant gives the only correct inter- 31."

We want to express special lead the workers. We are pleased scription renewal and, along with drive was launched against them methods for the production of ment. These intolerable conditions to be able to fulfill our pledge it, a donation of \$5.50 for the

searches out new means of self really high speed. Last week, for Seattle defense with a minimum risk of example, we received remittances **Hear Farrell Dobbs** of \$100 or over from six cities: "What's Ahead For Buffalo, \$100; Boston, \$102; Youngstown, \$125; New York, American Labor" \$143; Chicago, \$222; and Los An-Sat., March 26, 8:30 P. M. Polish Hall 1714 — 18th Ave Newark Fri. Night **Refreshments and social** following discussion Socialist Forum presents a talk on Donation: 50c. "Youth in a Delinquent Unemployed free Society" by Joyce Cowley Friday, March 25 at 8:30 P. M. Los Angeles at 52 Market Street Friday Forum (Second Fl., Corner of Plane) 'CIO-AFL Unity' speaker: **Thomas Kerry** Detroit Fri. Night Fri., March 25, 8:15 P. M. Socialist Forum "Race Prejudice The FBI And the Supreme Friday, March 25, at 8 P. M. **Court Decision**" The UAW Convention: speaker: A Report from Cleveland Friday, April 1, at 8 P. M. **Richard Fraser** At 3000 Grand River, Rm. 207 Fri., April 1, 8:15 P. M. Donation 25c. 1702 E. 4th St. Free to unemployed

of the mass in search of an answer to the social problems of the day. About 50 of these peobox lunches during their incar- college people holding jobs as ple - workers and students, Neceration, they have usually been specialists in industry. New re- gro and white - who are just deported by plane in less than a ceptivity toward critical ideas is awakening to political class consciousness were among those present at the meeting I addressed in this city. From the questions they asked and the thoughts they expressed, I became convinced that some among them will soon enter the ranks of the Socialist Workers Party and lend their weight to the building of a class-struggle left wing in the mass movement. now required to pick sow bellies where 100 were formerly em-

polls have shown from one-fourth to one-third of the chemists and

gather their personal belongings, engineers favoring the idea of collective bargaining for people

in their category, a significant departure from their past disdain for union methods. Production is up in packing, yet there is a decline in the

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# "Confidence Can Be Lost in a Day"

"Confidence (in America's economy) may take weeks, months and years of good conduct and demonstrated conduct to build up. It can be lost in a day," said Secretary of the Treasury George M. Humphrey in a statement before the Senate Banking and Currency Committee inquiry into the state of the stock market.

This is, in reality, quite a damaging admission on the frailty of capitalism from one of its chief spokesman. For if confidence in the American capitalist system is so fragile it can be shattered in a single day, then the system itself invites only weak confidence.

We have been hearing right along how strong the economy is, how well balanced by "built-in stabilizers." Now we are told that this economy rests on nothing more substantial than a psychological attitude, a sentiment — "confidence" — and one that can be smashed in a day, at that.

Humphrey is right, of course, in saying that confidence in the American economy is so frail a flower that it can wilt overnight. As everyone knows, there is a tremendous sense of insecurity among the American people. Not all the statistics on high "gross national product," "national income," etc., have sufficed to overcome the feeling that the higher the economy rides, the harder it is going to fall.

But Humphrey has stood the matter on its head. What he calls "confidence" is not the foundation of the economy. Rather, the

economy is the basis of the "confidence." It is because the American economy is fundamentally unstable that "confidence" in it cannot survive the first chill wind of rate of growth — governmental year. . . The New York system It is not at all far-fetched to rumor or the hot sun of any investigation and private — of wiretapping, into the system's operations.

at all and therefore gives room for even one-day confidence? Humphrey knows the answer, although he does not care to admit it now. It is what the Republicans charged to the Democrats in the last elections and what is equally true for the Republicans. Tremendous spending for military puposes remains the chief prop of the economy.

past 22 years prove conclusively that "prosperity" has coincided only with the a slight cut in military spending following One example — and that not from lesser police official" had gone no longer a hand-to-mouth busicreeping unemployment that set in with the Korean War has demonstrated the incapacity of American capitalism to continue steady for even a brief time without increasing scores of billions being poured out by the government for war purposes. that it can survive even temporarily only on a war diet, if confidence in capitalism is so brittle that it cracks at a mere touch of adverse news, then it is time to seek a sounder economic system. The anarchy

and chaos of capitalism must be replaced by the scientific organization and planning of socialism.

# No Secret Diplomacy

Out of the political horse-trading, dealing and double-dealing, jockeying and bluffing that goes on in Washington, D. C. has come a good result. The records of the Yalta Conference of Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin are being made public. This was effected through a tortuous series of events.

Secretary of State Dulles tossed a bombshell into the Democratic camp last week by announcing that he was sending to Congress 24 "confidential" copies of the hitherto-secret documents. The angle was that with lots of Congressmen of both parties having access to the documents, certain things could be "leaked" to the newspapers and no one could say for sure who was responsible for the "leakage."

The items in the documents the Republicans wanted to get to the public are, of course, damaging to the Democrats. According to papers in the know, like the New York Times, Roosevelt was guilty of making, or allowing to pass unchallenged, certain "indiscreet" remarks about "at least two politically powerful minority groups in this country." With elections on the horizon, publication of such remarks is counted on to divert many voters' anger from the Republican administration's record to the hypocrisy of the Democrats. Senator George (D-Ga.), Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, speaking for the Democrats in Congress declared he would refuse to accept the "confidential" copy of the Yalta documents. Make everything public about What, in truth, holds up the economy particular. SCOPE OF SPYING

Signed articles by contril

ntors do not necessarily rep-resent The Militant's policies. These are expressed in its

"Entered as second class matter March 7, 1944 at the Post Office at New York, N.Y., under the act of March 3, 1879."

Monday, March 21, 1955

Official government figures over the If capitalism is so delicate and fragile

Yalta, he dared Dulles, or keep it secret even from Congressmen.

This gave the Republicans pause. They wanted to get the items damaging to the Democrats before the eyes of the voters - especially of the minority groups involved. On the other hand to publish the whole Yalta record, would harm the reputation of U.S. imperialism not only at home but abroad. Senator George told Dulles in effect: "If you insist on publishing the dirt on Roosevelt, go ahead. But we won't let you publish just excerpts you must publish all the documents and thus bear the onus of putting Republican partisan interests above those of U.S. capitalism's foreign policy."

Churchill was against publishing the documents. The Kremlin was against it. The Democrats were against it. And the Republicans wanted to publish only a few choice tidbits about Roosevelt.

But the affair had gone too far. Republican machine appetites had been too keenly whetted with the prospect of campaign material. Moreover, it would be both embarrassing and a sign of weakness for permitted the Tories to return to the White House to be out-bluffed by the Democrats. So the Yalta papers are being made public. All of which shows that when political thieves fall out, honest men — in this case, the American people - come into their tries that the Tories de-nationown. Perhaps the sight of the secret diplomacy of 1945 will make them rise up in wrath and demand to see the secret deals of 1955.

Snooper Racket Becomes Big Business Washington, where the amount of | there. In the apartment was | ness existing largely on getting | reflects on the entire force. If you

operated by four people.

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present rate?

'By George Lavan It used to be said that the in-habitants of the Scilly Islands will indicate the scope of this

earned their livings by doing each spying. Supreme Court Justice Douglas, other's laundry. If present trends in his recent book, "An Almanac | E. 54th St. wiretap center is that the day when the people of this of Liberty" states: "During 1952 it was equipped to tap six dif-It has been used as a means for all the other exhanges in New peeping by private TV, gumshoeing, reading other's mail, in-

practices. . ."

This article is not primarily York City makes one wonder making arrangements, however, concerned with the huge increase whether the private spies have in governmental spying, but not exceeded the police in the knows with whom to do business. rather with the bonanza in number of wiretaps per year, A few weeks ago William J. private (i.e. "free enterprise") spying. Suffice it to say about Keating of the Anti-Crime Com- description of the business of mission, a private civic organiza- private snooping. It points out government spying that between the FBI, Congressional commit- tion, told members of the state that the private detective busilegislature about a private wiretees and other agencies a politap center on E. 54th in Man- industry" of over 5,000 agencies tical snooping machine has been periods of war preparations and war. The erected that even Himmler of the hattan. He said that on Feb. 11 employing 150,000 and taking in Nazi Gestapo could not sneer at. "a thigh police official and a about \$250 million annually. It is



whereby police have obtained York. vestigating in general and in guarded confidences of people and used the information for corrupt A recent disclosure in New

is to hire a "private eye" who Reporter magazine, in its Feb. 10 issue, has an exhaustive ness has become "a full-fledged

#### electronic wiretap equipment divorces. About 60% of the cases handled are "commercial," says What is interesting about the Reporter.

LABOR SPYING

Many of these "commercial" cases are purely commercial spying. Thus, for example, five of the New York wiretaps - obviously by a competitor - were has in practice been oppressive. assume that wiretap centers exist on the phones of executives of the E. R. Squibb pharmaceutical company. But many of these 'commercial" cases are really If there's anyone in New York labor or political spying. Thus whose telephone conversations Alfred Touhy, chief of investigayou want recorded - the facili-

tions for Republic Aviation, reties exist. The standard way of vealed recently that he had fired 250 workers within a year for security reasons even though only 15 of them were "known Communists.'

George F. Keefe, chief of Dun & Bradstreet's investigative service — which has 2,000 full time 'reporters" and 20,000 part-time "correspondents" — states: "As soon as the question of loyalty develops in a case, we cease our own investigation immediately and turn our information over to

the FBI, then getting the FBI's permission to notify our client of ... U.S. Economy the circumstances." Then the

employer fires the worker. The evidence for such reports to the FBI and the company by Dun & Bradstreet may be seen by this example of their work. An "unfavorable" Personnel Security

sustaining the economy at the Report was based on three present level have been automosources having stated the inbile output and housing construcdividual concerned had expressed tion. Will they continue at their ideas of "a definite subversive

The auto industry is producing tendency," possessed "a subat a fantastic rate in terms of versive turn of mind," and had available market. During the distributed pamphlets and leaflets past weeks it has been turning of a "subversive" nature. What out passenger cars at a rate of the informers meant by "subversive" was not indicated. To 9,000,000 per year. This compares with total actual car production many people integrated schools, last year of 5,509,550 and of 6,- unions and the World Federalists 665,863 in the peak year of 1950. are "subversive." The Retail Credit Co. of

It is obvious that the auto corporations are building up a huge Atlanta, which spies for several inventory of unsold cars. workers by asking their neigh-Moreover, no authoritative

cource anticipates any big rise bors: do they have "any known in the auto market. In fact, the connection with a 'peace move-Federal Reserve Board in its ment' or any other organization consumer survey issued on March of a subversive type? . . . Is he 13 disclosed that a smaller percentage of consumers than last ican?" In Georgia, of course, year plan to buy new autos this belief in racial equality is considered neither "normal" nor year. "loval." A great deal has been made of

he construction boom, but there OFFICIAL CONNECTIONS s some concern about this in In our epoch spying has behousing finance circles. George come so specialized that a Cline Smith, economist of F.W. Dodge Corporation, construction "private eye" operates mainly

files.

news publisher, said at the resays: "Through inside contacts, cent annual savings and mort-In the unions, the workers who gage conference of the American depression suffering of the 1930's support Bevan fight bureaucratic Bankers Association that in terms copies of Western Union mesand the "blood, sweat and tears" control, notably among the dock of constant dollars private con- sages, unlisted telephone numworkers. Last November key lo- struction per capita now is only bers, telephone toll-call records, men and department heads are It was the failure to carry transferred their allegiance from 1926 peak. Only 7% of the gross of the gross of the transferred their allegiance from 1926 peak. Only 7% of the gross figures, Social Security lifetime chine to tune in where he wants the Transport and General Work-

about \$10,000 worth of the latest or manufacturing "evidence" for do it, you're cooked as a private detective.'

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Other regular connections of the private detective industry are specialists such as locksmiths, wiretappers, lie-detector operators. Beside these general contacts which are needed for staying in business, there are the sources of information in specific cases. These include the cop onthe beat, milkmen, mailmen, laundrymen, newsboys, meter readers, etc., etc. Real finds are, unfriendly neighbors, dissatisfied servants, business rivals, suspicious relatives and divorced mates. Some agencies secretly buy all the trash from a business or home and sort and read it for weeks.

TECHNOLOGY OF SPYING

Perhaps the most lurid spying s that done electronically. Wiretaps without touching the wires, a device to read letters without opening the sealed envelopes, vibration microphones to aid in opening combination locks and safes, and now television.

RCA recently put a closed circuit TV system on the market for less than \$1,000. Already more than 30 private companies in New York have secretly installed these hidden circuits to watch their employes. In one plant in Brooklyn a much larger circuit was installed, with the consent of union officials. Four concealed cameras are trained on various parts of the production line so the boss can spy on the movements of large groups of workers. at the same time.

Installation of concealed microphones or "bugging," as it is known in the trade, has also undergone a technological revolution. Now any room that can be gotten into briefly can be easily and completely "bugged." A battery-operated "bug" the size of a match box with a aircraft companies, investigates transmission life of several days will broadcast all conversation to a receiving set somewhere in the vicinity. A permanent installation - about the size of a pack of igarettes — is often concealed n the wall behind a light socket and operates off the building's electric power. Another method is to slip a carbon - button microphone into the telephone mouthpiece. This not only picks up telephone conversations but all conversation in the room when the phone is not in use.

In one factory, management through connections. Reporter has installed twelve "bugs" four in the men's washroom, two the private detective can get in the women's washroom and six in the company dining hall. Moreover, the phones of all fore-



Confesses to Lies

Harvey Matusow (right) confers with his lawyer, Stanley Faulkner (left), and Sen. Herman Welker (R.-Ind.), after telling the Senate Internal Security subcommittee that he lied in hundreds of cases in which he linked persons to the Communist Party.

# ... Ouster of Bevan

of World War II.

The free election is the most sacred principle of capitalist democracy, according to the claims of the capitalists themselves. But principles, as every ideologist of capitalism will explain, are not made of steel. They can and must be bent, and even twisted, to the needs of the times. When practical political expediency, the pressure of circumstances, the necessity to put first things first, intervene, "principles" must take a back seat.

Last summer in Geneva an agreement was signed between France and Vietminh. A cease fire in the civil war was agreed upon. But a stipulation was made that a general election would be held in both North and South Vietnam in July, 1956. The distant date was insisted upon by France, in the hope that by then sufficient counter-revolutionary forces would be mobilized for them to conduct the elections in the customary French colonial style.

But the struggle in Indo-China is not favoring counter-revolution. The North is consolidating a great social revolution, while the South is suffering from inner corruption, feudal decay, and imperialist strangulation.

That's why, as the date for the elections approach, the "free world" imperialists are sweating over the problem of how they are going to get around the elections.

C. L. Sulzberger, chief foreign correspondent for the N. Y. Times, doesn't have the answer as to how the elections will be avoided, but he is quite sure as to why: "Geneva fixed July, 1956, as the date for all-Vietnam elections. These really will never be held. The Communist North cannot meet the standards of free balloting stipulated. And the non-Communist South cannot afford the slightest risk of defeat.

U.S. Policy in Indo-China Nobody likes to talk about this. But when the time to admit it arrives a grave crisis must inevitably develop."

One has to peal off the tissue of lies and deliberate confusion to get at the meaning of any statement by a capitalist journalist or diplomat.

Sulzberger says that the "Communist North cannot meet the standards of free meet these standards. Let us see.

In the same column Sulzberger says: "What exists in South Vietnam is a barren dictatorship - barren because there is no effective dictator." He also says: "This country (South Vietnam) remains largely parceled out in feudal strongholds." The whole structure of South Vietnam is crowned by the Emperor and Chief of Staff, Bao Dai. Sulzberger has a few words to say about this representative of the man ... imperial abomination ... depraved the House of Commons "came symbol."

Apparently Sulzberger feels the contradiction between the reality of South Vietnam and the "free world" slogans of the U.S. State Department: "Bao Dai rests on democracy's conscience about as comfortably as the putrefying albatross tied around the neck of Coleridge's Ancient Mariner." (How about the other representatives of the "free world," Franco, Syngman Rhee, Chiang Kai-shek, etc.?)

Thus: Sulzberger, voicing the policy of Big Business, proposes to comed the elections and welch on the Geneva agreement in the interests of saving a regime is bitterly hated by the masses of all Indo-China, which is admittedly a dictatorship of feudal landlords, governed by a corrupt, venal clique, and headed by a petty tyrant who wallows in luxury on the French imperialism and sympathize with Riviera.

lost the Labor Party the support of the middle-classes and power in 1951.

Since then the right-wing has retreated even further from any program smacking of class struggle politics. They show no desire to want to re-nationalize indusalized and have put up no serious fight against inroads the Tories have made in the nationalized health program, the most popular measure of the Labor Party government.

the democratic and militant Naand Dockers Union. It was because they supported the dockworkers' strike and de-

nounced Deakin's strikebreaking policies, that three editors of Tribune, official Bevanite weekplinary action by the Labor Party's National Executive Board unless they recanted. The Bevanite editors refused to do so.

On the side of foreign policy, A FUNDAMENTAL CONFLICT Democrats claim that "the econthe right-wingers carried out the What is shaping up is a funpolicies of British imperialism damental conflict between the and aligned the country with Labor Party bureaucracy head- omy" under their rule. But the Wall Street in the cold war. In April 1951, under pressure a membership that seeks to turn

from Washington, the Attlee gov- the party towards a socialist proernment introduced a huge re- gram. armament program. Bevan then Several months ago Attlee resigned as Minister of Labor in Gaitskell Deakin and other right protest over the burden of taxa- wing leaders opened a determined

tion and inflation the rearma- campaign to beat the membership ment program would impose on into line. They began by outlawballoting." This implies that the South can, the British working people. He ing the weekly paper, Socialist still at a near-Korean War level. also denounced it as a sign that Outlook, last July. They then

the British government was serve threatened disciplinary measures ing Wall Street's war program against the editors of Tribune. rather than the needs of the Eng. Finally, they were emboldened to the point of taking action against

In the most recent dispute, be-| Bevan, himself. So determined are they to crush

China.

ween the right-wing leaders and Bevan, two weeks ago over for- the socialist, working class wing eign policy, the Attlee group in of the party that they are even effect supported Churchill's pro- willing to risk a split prior to

near to giving Britain a bipar-

tisan defense policy."

BEVAN'S BASE

lish people.

The Bevanite leaders base themselves on the active membership of the Labor Party. This includes over a million members of the local constituency clubs. These joined as individual rather than belonging to the party merely because they are members of unons or cooperative associations.

The workers who belong to the constituency clubs form the most politically conscious section of the party membership. They also They oppose the war plans of the U.S. government and British the colonial revolution.

ers Union, headed by Arthur private construction, compared to Deakin, a right-wing leader, to 13% in the Twenties. The country's biggest single tional Amalgamated Stevedores industry — agriculture — is tak- dossiers on some twenty million ing a beating, according to the present and former military per-

March 12 report of the House sonnel. . . A friendly postal in-Agriculture Committee. It states spector can order a 'mail cover'... that the "great blow to the farm economy is yet ahead." The farmers' situation is summed up in ly, were threatened with disci- one key fact:" net farm income in 1954 was 28% below 1947 and 10% below 1953. "Further de-

clines are in prospect for 1955 and 1956." In their separate report, the

omy is improving" because of the "stabilizers built into the econ-

ing further towards the right and only real "stabilizer" U.S. capi talism has today, as in 1941 and 1950, is massive government war spending. It is notable that one of the chief complaints of the

Democrats is that the Eisenhower regime has "weakened defense by cutting down slightly on the military budget, although it is

Hits Bill of Rights

(Continued from page 1) system has been put in the spotlight by the confessions of such gram for the British government Britain's national elections, which paid witnesses as Harvey Matuto build the hydrogen bomb. As will probably be held in October, sow, who lied about 280 people gasoline over linen they gathered the Christian Science Monitor said 1955, and thus jeopardize pros- in 21 witch-hunt hearings and in "free world": "Bao Dai is an evil, venal on March 3, Attlee's speech in pects of a Labor Party victory. two federal trials leading to con-However, in the course of the victions. Mrs. Marie Natvig and Lowell Watson have also con-

fessed to lying at the instigation the left-wing workers are sure to clarify their program further of government officials in the FCC hearings on millionaire Edand to crystallize a powerful faction on the basis of socialist ward Lamb, Erie, Pa., publisher ideas. And this will mark a big and TV station owner.

Mrs. Natvig has been indicted. step forward in the final eliminaon nine perjury counts - all caretion of capitalist rule in England and its replacement with a govfully drawn to avoid the real isernment of the working people. Lamb a former "Communist."

Matusow is being held in "con-BRITISH TRADE MISSION tempt of court" because he "deliberately attempted to obstruct TO CHINA in February signed justice" when he appeared in the 130 contracts worth the equiva-Texas court of Federal Judge lent of \$11,000,000. Commodities R. E. Thomason on March 12 do the Jimmy Higgins work for involved are: :automobiles, chemand admitted he had lied in testhe party in and out of election icals, dyestuffs, drugs, plastic tifying that he knew Clinton time. They want the party to be raw materials, wool and scien-Jencks, a union leader, was a 'Communist,'' which led to an instrument of socialist change. tific and electrical instruments Jencks' conviction for allegedly from Britain; newsprint, tea, plyswearing falsely to a Taft-Hartwood, canned meat and fruit from ley oath. But the Judge refused to grant a retrial.

Civil Service job - application

This information is about agency work. How many comforms, and the detailed Pentagon panies have their own permanent private detective set-ups? These are more economical - being on a salary basis — and constantly Even FBI agents sometimes rely in operation. It would be an on a private detective with special impoverished concern indeed that talents or underworld contacts. did not have the funds to tap the phones of all local and district and are glad to repay such favors with information from their own union officials, "bug" their homes

and the union meeting places. Better be careful what you say Reporter quotes one private -someone may be listening. detective as saving: "You can't Better snap it up on the assembly. work in this business without deluxe police cooperation," and line — you may be giving a warning: "Never turn in a copper, private TV performance and not no matter how crooked he is. It know it.



| means used to retaliate against (Continued from page 1)

vice to the French Administra- a patriot who loves his country? tion and was granted a pension, Is it by such maneuvers, aimed then deprived of it in 1947, as at family affections, that you well as of permission to grow will curb an Algerian patriot, coffee. Thus he was already a proud of his country's history? victim in preceding years of savage economic and police repression.

In the same way, the entire family, women and children included, has had to submit for hours to ferocious actions by your military who destroyed everything and put fire to all the houses - after having poured -under the frightened gaze of all the members of my family who were forced to guit their hearth.

Afterwards, it was my father and my three brothers who were arrested and taken as hostages after receiving brutal treatment.

Mr. President! Why these vindictive actions, be bought and sold. It must be his show of weakness, degrad- deserved and won. Glory to those sue of her lies when she called ing to France? Are these the who died for it!



Are massacres, tortures and all kinds of cruelties the way to stop a people determined to regain liberty at the price of its blood? No, Mr. President! On the contrary! That is a sign of weak-

ness and desperation. No! You dishonor yourself and strengthen my belief in your inadequacy and you do me an honor along with the Algerian people, who will know in whom to place their confidence. It is regrettable that my cousin, the Agha Dahmoune, is your shield. persisting in his blindness in fulfilling the role of traitor to his

family and his country. As for me, I love my country for which I have sacrificed everything. Long live liberty! It can't



struggle against the Attlee forces,

# The Negro Struggle By John Thayer

### The Junkers of the South

Analogies have been made between the German Junkers and the Dixiecrats. The Junkers are best known in this country as reactionary German militarists. But that was only one of their functions and doesn't indicate their social base which was the large landed estates in East Prussia. There, by maintenance of semi-feudal control over the farm workers they were economically and politically dominant.

Contraction of the second

This semi-feudal class served German capitalism politically as well as militarily. They were the most open reactionaries and labor-haters in Germany. In politics they could say and do things the capitalist politicians in the industrial sections dared not. They were a constant pillar of strength to chauvinism, anti-semitism and finally Nazism.

The ruling class in the Deep South is similarly based on large plantations and a semi-feudal control over the farm workers, who are mostly Negro. This class is the bulwark of Jim Crow in America. In politics they do many services for the capitalists which the politicians in industrial areas dare not. And they are properly rewarded by Big Business. This explains why so many politicians hated by labor come from the Deep South.

It is only fitting therefore that the chairmanship of the main witch-hunt body in the Senate, the Internal Security Committee, has gone to plantation owner and white-supremacist supreme, Senator James O. Eastland (D.-Miss.)

There was one little difficulty standing in the way of Eastland's confirmation as chairman. Negro and Jewish organizations protested the employment on Eastland's personal office staff of Ralph Bearman. This Bearman received money from Gerald New Jersey L. K. Smith's native-fascist Christian Nationalist Crusade at the same time he was on Senator Eastland's payroll. In 1944 Bearman chaired sessions of the convention which nominated racist Gerald L. K. Smith for president on the America First Party ticket.

This may help explain how it came about last year when McCarthy let Eastland hold some one-man witch-hunt hearings in New Orleans that Aubrey-Williams, editor of the Southern Farmer, and other liberals who are opposed to the stringency of Deep South Jim Crow were smeared as "Communists."

Eastland has dropped Bearman from his payroll, but the Senator has the reputation of not deserting his friends. In one speech on the Senate floor Eastland stated that Nazi occupation troops in France had behaved far better than American Negro soldiers were behaving. It is noteworthy that complaints about the Negro troops in France all came from racists in the U.S. The French people don't like any occupation troops but as between white and Negro U.S. troops they said they preferred Negro soldiers.

When the Supreme Court ruled against school segregation Eastland got up in the Senate and urged defiance of the ruling. Moreover, he charged the Court with being "indoctrinated and brain-washed by leftwing, Communist-front organizations."

For continuing the traditions of the committee the Senate couldn't have chosen a better chairman than Senator Eastland.

Names Candidate NEWARK, March 14. - The

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Socialist Workers Party last week filed nominating petitions naming Daniel Roberts, local SWP organizer, its candidate for New Jersey State Senator from Essex County in the November elecions

The working people's need to build their own independent Labor Party will be one of the main issues of the SWP campaign

BOSSES SLATE

"Just look at the slate that the Essex County Democratic steering Committee filed last week for County and State Legislative posts," said Roberts. "It includes two bankers, four assorted businessmen, five lawvers, five professional politicians

and one CIO organizer, one AFI organizer and one Negro lawyer. "Yet this slate counts on get ting elected through the votes of organized labor and the Negro community.

Negro candidate are on the slate just for window dressing. They would be powerless to win anything substantial for the workcratic slate would serve Big Business just as would the Re-

Party."

ark Evening News.

good candidates and we may surprise you.'

# THE MILITANT MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1955

**Fired Seamen Picket Pier** 

VE DEMAND FAIR PLAY 6 OOFred Jones, Kenneth Anstee and Ronald Costello (l. to r.).

stewards fired off the Queen of Bermuda, picket the ship's pier in New York after the liner sailed for Bermuda. Some 300 striking crew members, of the British Natl. Union of Seamen, were left behind when they staged a protest walkout over the firings.

# Scientists Raise Alarm ommunity. "The labor officials and the lection laws of California, the S.W.P. im-legro candidate are on the slate On Bomb Tests Danger

By Myra Tanner

Evidence of the harmful effects of experimental ing people. In office the Demo- nuclear explosions is mounting daily despite an official conspiracy of silence. On March 12, two scientists at the University of Colorado expressed •

alarm for public safety with in- sence as far as this department the S.W.P. creased radioactive fall-out over san determine."

Meanwhile, on the other side acted in anger to the filing of said that "the upsurge in radioof the Atlantic the leader of the all minorities, for the thirty-hour the Democratic slate. "There was activity measured here within a British Labour Party, Clement week at forty-hours pay, for full definite commitment that at matter of hours after the (Ne- Attlee, asked scientists to issue economic equality for working vada) tests has become apprecia statement on the danger, not women, against universal mili-

> Dr. Theodore Puck, head of from "the continued experiment- the police-state drive assault on will speak and where friends and the biophysics department, said ation in these dangerous praccivil liberties, and for the fortices." He demanded that a halt mation of an independent Labor and meet our candidate. that "the trouble with airborne radioactive dust is that we breathe be called to further atomic ex-Party. periments. The key local issue in the cam-

it into the lungs where it may India, Ceylon and the other paign is housing. Recently a group lodge in direct contact with liv-Colombo powers will ask the of capitalist vote-catchers seeking tissue. Asia-Africa Conference which is ing some publicity suddenly dis-Pressured to retract their warnng the two scientists insisted to convene next month at Banthat there is no "safe" minimum dung, to demand the "cessation of Oakland and are talking of slum below which radiation has been experiments" with nuclear weapproved harmless, contrary to of-What is the known truth about ficial claims. Governor Johnson

the danger of radioactivity in the ened with losing their rents the of Colorado replied that the scientists "should be arrested." earth's atmosphere that is alarm- landlords are seeking ways of

ing everyone? In a very cautious opening the public treasury to leaders get?" said Roberts. "They | tests in Nevada, newspapers re- | treatment of the "Peril From A- | compensate for any losses. were ready to give the Democrats ported that X-ray films had been Dust," in the Nation, Feb. 19, On this issue, Lillian Kiezel, full support if they got two can- destroyed in a duPont chemical Professor C. H. Waddington of the S.W.P. candidate, speaking

# *'Let People Vote On War,' Oakland* **Candidate Urges**

By Bill Morgan

OAKLAND — March 12 — Lillian Kiezel, Socialist Workers Party candidate for Councilman-at-Large is officially on the ballot for the coming city-wide elections. So far the S.W.P. candidate is

the only opposition candidate to file against the incumbent, an outright representative of the Oakland landlords.

The worker voters of Oakland nave heard the program of the S.W.P. presented by Lillian Kiezel in past elections when she was the S.W.P. candidate for Mayor and for Lieutenant Governor. A veteran of 16 years in the socialist movement. Mrs. Kiezel has been a member of the CIO auto and electrical workers' unions and participated in the fight for the FEPC in California.

VOTE ON WAR After securing the required number of signatures and submitting a list of ten sponsors in nediately launched the campaign. A program was issued calling for the end of the drive towards atomic war and pledged to make

the anti-war campaign a key issue. "Let the people vote on war or peace!" will be the slogan of The program further calls for

covered the existence of slums in

clearance. Until now these fire

traps have provided a fat in-

come for the landlords. Threat-

an end to discrimination against merely from atomic warfare, but tary training, for the repeal of National Secretary of the S.W.P. supporters of the S.W.P. may hear

# NAACP Leader **Hits Democrats**

The Democrats in Congress vere denounced for "pussyfooting on segregation" by Clarence Mitchell, Director of the Washington Bureau of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, at a meeting in New York City.

Mitchell said: "There is a serious question about whether

Two months ago a phonograph record, The Investigator, reached the music shops. It was published by a transcription company well known in its field. The author spent ten years in Hollywood writing shows like "The Life of Riley" and the "Jackie Gleason Show." Canada's leading radio actor performed the major role. And yet, this recording has never been played on a major radio network station in the Communism.'

By R. Spencer

Investigator"

U.S.; it is surrounded by an air of "illegality," and is currently the target of an attempt by the American Legion to sup-

press it. The Investigator is a brilliant satire on McCarthy. Its outstanding artistic merit has been recognized even by conservative critics. Despite lack of publicity 15,000 copies a month are being sold.

What explains the nervousness and playit-safe policy of the radio networks and the press? What explains the fact that even the liberals act as if the record were too hot to handle? After all, attacks on Mc-Carthy have become almost fashionable. The point is that The Investigator is more than a satire on McCarthy. It is a -satirical stab at the witch hunt as a whole. With devastating wit it exposes the true nature of the red-baiting scourge. The founders of the United States, for example, are shown to be "subversive" under today's witch-hunting standards. Such an attack on the witch hunt is a different matter than poking fun at the "extremist" McCarthy. It subjects the very foundations of the political regime of both Truman and Eisenhower to criticism. It attacks the witch hunt itself, not only the former Witch Hunter in Chief. The Investigator was first broadcast on May 30, 1954 over the Canadian network. It was heard by a New York transcribing company which thought it had commercial possibilities. Obviously they were right. According to Counterattack, the pro-Mc-

Carthy paper which acts as a political police censor in the radio industry. The Investigator "may gross better than a half-million dollars in sales and become a smash hit." Counterattack describes The Investigator as a "straight party-line recording. . . A bitter burlesque, its target Senator Joseph McCarthy and every U.S. Congressional committee investigating

Counterattack cannot see the humor in this radio play about the "witch hunt in heaven." But then, conformist reaction was never noted for its sense of humor.

One of the highlights of the play is a scene between Satan and the Investigator. The "heavenly" witch hunt has gotten out of hand. Socrates, all persons named Karl Marx, Thomas Jefferson, John Milton, Voltaire, John Stuart Mill, Martin Luther, Thomas Paine, Oliver Cromwell, Garibaldi,

publican slate." CIO ANGRY New Jersey CIO officials re- that state. Dr. Ray R. Lanier least two candidates would be selected from the ranks of the Es- able."

sex-West Hudson CIO Council," was the complaint voiced by Joe Minish, the council's executive secretary, in the March 14 New-

And Joel Jacobson, state CIO executive vice-president declared "Don't think the CIO has no place to go, Mr. Carey (the Essex County Democratic boss). And to the Republican party I say, don't write us off. Give us

"How bankrupt can these CIO After the recent atom bomb



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LILLIAN KIEZEL

of independent working class poitics. Comrade Kiezel will speak before many unions and over the radio, before church and other

rganizations. Several leaflets on the issues of the campaign will be distributed and a mass rally will be held in the Jenny Lind Hall, 2267 Telegraph Ave. on April 2nd, at 8 P.M. at which Farrell Dobbs,

Victor Hugo, Abraham Lincoln, Shelley, Chopin, Beethoven, Bach, Wagner, have all been deported from "Up Here" to "Down There" for "subversion."

deported:

Satan: "You don't know what's going on. Jefferson and Milton are calling for a Congress; Martin Luther and John Stuart Mill are making speeches about the Rights of the Damned; Cromwell and William Lloyd Mackenzie have recruited a Lost Souls Militia, that madman Socrates keeps asking me if I know what virtue is. Me? And that lunatic Karl Marx. . ."

Investigator: "Which Karl Marx?"

Satan: "How should I know? There are hundreds of them all over the place. Manifesto) you handed them at the hearings? They took them with them when they got deported. They printed thousands of copies, and you know what their slogan is? 'Workers of the Underworld Unite! You have nowhere to go but Up!'

after an H-bomb explosion, your grave can have

your name on it. All you have to do is send 25c.,

a label from a Pet Milk can and the necessary in-

formation to the Pet Milk Co. This is an inspiring

example of private enterprise and government

working together. Corpses found without the Pet

Milk tag around their necks will be considered

disloyal to Pet Milk and the American Way and

"RIGHT TO SCAB" LAW was passed by the

marks success for the Big Business campaign with

A similar law as defeated recently in Mas-

"THE 5TH AMENDMENT is our protection

against tyranny", a resolution adopted by the

Civil Rights Conference of the IUE-CIO declared.

Refusal to testify before a legislative committee

by invoking this amendment "is not, in and of

itself, proper ground for discipline or expulsion from a local union." While saying that most of

those invoking the 5th Amendment were "ill.

advised" the resolution denounced McCanthy an

General Electric Corp. for subverting the true

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meaning of the constitutional guarantee.

the District government.

will be investigated for subversive pasts.

didates on the slate, although firm in New Jersey. Workers en- the English University of Edin- at the meeting of the Laborer's that would still have left the tered the plant with radioactive burgh, whose field of work is Union said, "It is the real estate bankers, businessmen and politi- material on their shoes following animal genetics says, "All the interests of 'free enterprise' that cians in full control. But now a light rain. New Jersey Labor available evidence, however, create slums and there is not Satan complains that too many are being that Boss Carey told them they and Industry Commissioner Hol- makes it seem overwhelmingly enough profit for the rent gougcould have only one candidate, derman reported that duPont of- probable that any atomic explo- ers to build low-cost housing for the CIO leaders threaten the ficials had found it necessary to sion which produces an increase all. We say let the tenants form Democrats with voting for a few "wash down the whole plant, in radioactivity, however small, a committee in cooperation with

spread carpets at all entrances in regions inhabited by man will the labor movement and demand Republicans." Roberts declared: "We of the and have employes change their add something to humanity's the millions now earmarked for SWP think that the unions and shoes on entering buildings." the Negro community should stop | The next day the newspapers | ly harmful genes."

housing!" the game of maneuvering with reported that Holderman's story There is absolutely nothing Despite the low registration. Big Business parties - a game had been denied by the plant that is reassuring in the discus- figures and the small turnout exin which labor and the Negro manager, Fred Sackett. Holder- sions that leak through the "sipected at the polls the S.W.P. people always lose. They should man, however, insisted that his lent curtain" on the dangers of candidate is conducting a spiritbuild their own party -- a Labor original information came from radioactive fallout. There is every ed and militant campaign to arouse the workers to the need

the plant and "is accurate in es- | justification for alarm.

they (the Democrats) can h entrusted with national power during the transition of the United States from segregation to integration." He warned that despite the gains of recent years in the fight against Jim Crow something must be done or "we may well find ourselves moving backward." store of newly mutated and most- a war of destruction be used for

Mitchell blasted Rep. James C. Davis (D-Ga.) for his conduct of hearings on integration in the District of Columbia Fire Dept. Davis has encour. aged the use of the insulting term, "n - - r," by witnesses.

# Remember those pamphlets (Communist Manifesto) you handed them at the hear-ings? They took them with them with them when

By Lynn Marcus Atom-physicist Dr. Edward the background of a series of Oppenheimer and many others." during the Pacific test series last lice-staters. There is a widespread Teller is a scientist of the first witch-hunt attacks on Oppenheirank. Ordinarily such a man is mer and acted to give the smear issued the order to the scientists: Bradbury, director of the Los ment is taking America back to respected and admired by his col- of the great scientist a cover. leagues. Instead, Dr. Teller is a Clearly it was up to Dr. Teller bomb. A number of scientists, the Los Alamos laboratory, where the discovery of a law of nature tragic figure; he has become an to disassociate himself from the including J. Robert Oppenheimer, Oppenheimer was working, was could be a criminal offense. outcast in his profession, regard- book, if on no other grounds than expressed doubts and warnings; responsible for "every successful ed almost as a Judas, the sym- its attributing false "credit" to the hydrogen bomb was an un- thermonuclear weapon that exists WHO IS RESPONSIBLE? bol of American science in a mil- him for scientific achievements known; it was dangerous; some- today" in the U.S.

itary-police strait-jacket. SERVICE TO WALL STREET "architect of the atomic age,"

Street's war machine above ser- bed and implored him to take a carefully. vice to humanity and above the position. Fermi didn't live to see principles and ethics of a scien- his wish fulfilled.

tist. Thus he contributed to bring-REACTION OF SCIENTISTS ing about a condition where a The reaction to the Shepleyscientist must hesitate before ad-

he be purged, smeared and hound-munity was quick and angry. AEC Strauss, the representative of their accomplishments, unfair ried sick as to how it will be Utah Legislature and signed by Gov. Lee. This ed. Many scientists fled from Nazi Advisory Commission Chairman, Big Business in the field of Atomic "credits," or even the witch hunt- used and even by the dangerous Germany because of conditions Dr. I. I. Rabi, called the book, its propaganda and slush fund in the 18th state. like these. Teller himself was "A sophomoric science-fiction ner was the bomb-happy brass one of those who fled Hitler's tale to be taken seriously only of the Strategic Air Command.

terror in 1933. Perhaps, there- by a psychiatrist . . . (the perfore, his offense in lining up with son responsible) should have ei- Oppenheimer has been subjected the subject of "Tellerism." He the unleashing of a super-destructhe American police-staters is all ther his head or his motives examined." the more serious. The case of Dr. Teller broke Former AEC Chairman, Gorinto public view last September don Dean, in a review of the against him, last summer, took the security regulations, secret against the forces that seek to with the publication of a book, book in the November, 1954, Bul-The Hydrogen Bomb. The authors letin of the Atomic Scientists him.

of this book, James R. Shepley, said, "This is no time for mincchief of Time Magazine's Wash- ing of words. This is a vicious ington bureau, and Clay Blair Jr., book. And it is an untrue book. largest roles in actually produc- entific community. With the ex- perversion of scientific discovelauded Atomic Energy Commis- If it is accepted by the public as a

RIGHT TO VOTE in Washington, D. C. was and Teller as the "herces" of the gle to achieve a thermonuclear hydrogen bomb. At the same time weapon, it will be nothing short The Alsops reported in their discovery will not be somehow Such intervention will have the discussed at a Senate Committee hearing. Opposing enfranchisement of the nearly one million it depicted the Los Alamos scien- of a tragedy ... This book is in column, Oct. 4, 1954: "There is "politically unsound?" tists, led by J. Robert Oppen- one sense a sort of 'Valentine' publicly available evidence which Washingtonians as a local real estate broker who declared that the proposal was "part of the heimer, as a group of bumbling presented to Dr. Edward Teller strongly suggests that the hy- able to serious scientific work - hands of the capitalist rulers -Communist conspiracy" for Negroes to take over obstructionists, or worse. This was not in accordance with the blood of the entire staff of ward Teller's Livermore Labora- militancy of the scientific world of scientific research.

the facts. Moreover, it came on that (Los Alamos) laboratory, Dr. | tory turned out to be a failure | to the encroachments of the po-In September, 1949, Truman spring." They quoted Dr. Norris fear that Wall Street's govern-Build a super-bomb - the H- Alamos laboratory, as saying that the days of the inquisition when

of others. Teller failed to do this. where in the work of super-bomb But Teller was lined up 100% Dr. Enrico Fermi, the renouned building lay an explosion we with Wall Street's program, while an article appearing in the Feb. might not be able to control; it Oppenheimer expressed scientific 25 issue of Science he admits Teller put service to Wall summoned Dr. Teller to his death would be necessary to proceed doubts and reservations. That's that the hydrogen bomb was the

The "crash" program, as out-Truman, was not regarded by

"TELLERISM" these responsible scientists as a safe course. In this discussion Dr. vancing a scientific conclusion lest Blair book in the scientific com- Teller lined up with Lewis experiments. In that same cor- ing of any particular scientist.

the like?"

fruitful.

- but it has blood stains on it - drogen bomb designed at Dr. Ed- and this explains the growing including the tremendous force

Teller has felt the pressure of criticism from his colleagues. In why Oppenheimer was given the result of the work of others. But "treatment" while Teller was the motive for this admission is lined by super-scientist Harry S. given a big publicity "Valentine." of exceptional interest. The phony build-up of Teller as the author of the H-bomb had an unexpected

The issue goes far beyond the result. People are not very hapquestion of individual scientists, py with the bomb. They are worresults of experimenting with J. R. Shenken of the Nebraska nuclear explosions.

College of Medicine writes in This raises the question of the For his doubts and warnings the Feb. 11 issue of Science on responsibility, not the credit, for to an endless series of "investi- says, "What assurance do we tive weapon. Teller is no more gations" and "loyalty" proce- have that medicine will continue capable of answering this quesdures. The latest procedure to remain outside the domain of thion than he was of standing up his AEC security clearance from police, political restraints, and militarize the scientists. But Teller alone is not involved. Nor is

The irony of all this is that This apprehensive question, is it a question that scientific work-Oppenheimer played one of the typical of the feelings in the sci- ers can settle by themselves. The ing the H-bomb. And Teller's ex- ample of what is taking place ries by the capitalist war maksion Chairman, Lewis Strauss, true account of America's strug- periments were apparently not in the field of nuclear research, ers can be halted only by the what scientist can feel that any intervention of the working class.

political aim of taking all the Such an atmosphere is intoler- forces of production out of the

# Notes from the News

sachusetts.

VIGILANTES drove three organizers for the AFL International Ladies Garment Workers Union out of Haleyville, Alabama. The ILGWU is attempting to organize the Winston Mfg. Co. there. The vigilantes came up to the organizers' hotel room, told them that if they didn't leave they would be "dragged out." Thirty of the vigilantes accompanied the union organizers to the city limits.

GEORGIA GIMMICK. Something new in the way of anti-labor laws is an ordinance in the town of Baxley. It provides that anyone doing organizational work for a union must apply to the mayor and city council for a license. The license, if granted, costs \$2,000 a year plus a fee of \$500 for every member recruited in the town. Violation is a criminal offense punishable by 30 days in jail or \$300 fine. An ILGWU organizer, convicted under the law, has been fighting vainly in the courts for a year now to get it declared unconstitutional.

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JIM-CROW GEORGIA leads all the other states of the union in the number of people executed by electrocution. Under Georgia law a child of 14 may be sent to the electric chair. Last month the legislature defeated a bill to raise the electrocution age minimum to 21.

PET MILK IS THINKING OF YOU. In cooperation with the U.S. Government, the Pet Milk Co. will mail you an identification tag approved by the Civil Defense. These are to be worn around the neck and in case there's anything left of you