# SWP Will Enter Candidates in **1956 Elections**

## **By Fred Hart**

NEW YORK, Sept. 26 - The National Committee of the Socialist Workers Party meeting in plenary session last week, decided to enter its own candidates in the 1956 presidential elections. Named as

candidates were the veteran on the political field is as restandard-bearers of the SWP, pulsive an act of treachery to Farrell Dobbs for President and labor's interests as crossing a Myra Tanner Weiss for Vicepresident.

Keynote of the SWP election campaign will be the need for working class independent political action. Great emphasis will the capitalist economy and the be laid on exposing the treacherous role of the union bureau- capitalist apologists are nervcrats in keeping labor tied to the capitalist two-party system through their coalition with the demonstrated by facts and fig-Democratic Party.

In pursuance of this necessary task the SWP presidential cam- perity beginning with the war paign in 1956 will be carried and extending into the post-war into the South where stirrings period, Dobbs asserted, could of working class struggle and change virtually overnight. Any political opposition to the South- sharp economic decline will inern one-party system are becoming more and more manifest.

months," declared SWP National Secretary Farrell Dobbs, "is to patiently explain that the working people can solve none of their basic problems through the decisive period of preparation capitalist political parties. They must build their own independent political party and create a workers and farmers government.

POLITICAL CLASS LINES We must teach the working against all of our opponents. people of this country, said Our aim is to strengthen the Dobbs, that crossing class lines !

ously uncertain about its future. The current prosperity boom, he ures, is built on shifting sand. The 15 years of relative pros evitably lead to a sharp break

in the social equilibrium which "Our main task in the coming would let loose class-struggle currents in the labor movement This is the perspective, said Dobbs, upon which the party is oriented. "We are now in the for coming mass actions," he declared. "We have the task of solving new problems in a new historic period. We must undertake the great work of theoret-

ical clarification and launch a City Hall, was also passed. political propaganda offensive The resolutions were presented (Continued on page 3). An American Hero and His Son

Cora Patton, local president

the Advancement of Colored People expressed surprise at the size of the turnout at the meeting. The large main auditorium of the Metropolitan Church was filled 45 minutes before the meeting was scheduled to begin. Several smaller chapels in the church were then opened. But this was far from sufficient. It was necessary to set up loudspeaking equipment on the street to take care of the several housand who were unable to get inside.

ant.

over three hours

RAKES TWO PARTIES

ises on civil rights.



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THE MULITAN

# **Chicago Meeting** Votes for March **On Washington**

By Claude De Bruce

CHICAGO, Sept. 25 - Over 5,000 angry people today roared their approval of an NAACP resolution calling for a March on Washington to demand the immediate enactment of antilynch, anti-poll-tax and other civil rights legislation. Another resolution, calling for a continuous picket line around Chicago's

here at a meeting called to protest the Mississippi lynching of Emmett Louis Till, 14-year-old Chicago Negro boy.

of the National Association for

Charles Hayes, CIO Packingnouse Workers vice president said, "This is the largest meet- year-old Emmett Till and the acquittal of ing I've seen since the White the lynchers in a farcical Mississippi Sox threatened to win the pen- courtroom trial has aroused the indigna-

# Harlem Protests Acquittal of Till Lynchers

Mounted police and foot cops, using chain tactics, try to clear a passageway through part of the huge crowd that overflowed the meeting in Harlem protesting Mississippi's mock trial of the lynchers of 14-year-old Emmett Till. Hours before the meeting began the church was filled and the aisles packed. About 8,000 stood for hours on 7th Avenue listening to the speeches broadcast from the meeting. (Photo taken by Robert Cottrol)



The depraved "whistle murder" of 14-

standing there that it was im-

rounding crowd.

tones through timid and craven leaders whose voices can scarce be heard. And when heard, too often sickens rather than inspires.

# Mississippi OK's Child Murder; Negroes Who **Testified in Danger**

## By George Lavan

NEW YORK, Sept. 29 — The anger of the Negro people over Mississippi's brazen acquittal of the fiendish lynchers of 14-year-old Emmett Till boiled over in massive protest meetings, such as have **D** 

not been seen for decades, in the najor cities of the country. In city after city reports show he same story as here in New ork. Protest meetings drew such huge crowds that halls were filled to capacity, then all available standing space was rapidly filled and then thousands nore stood determinedly outside he meeting halls listening for ours to the speeches over pubaddress systems.

ELLING THE WORLD

The tremendous response which everywhere far surpassed the expectations of the meetings' sponsors, showed the depths to which the Till lynching has stirred the Negro people. The thousands standing in the streets



A. PHILIP RANDOLPH

were not merely listening to speeches; they were physically 000, poured out to hear Negro lemonstrating to the racist rul- Congressman Diggs' eyewitness ers of the South, to the ruling report on the Sumner Mississippi class of the U.S., and to world trial. The church at which the meeting was scheduled was soor opinion their wrath over the Till lynching. For this atrocious child- filled and an additional church murder and its endorsement by had to be secured. Even this the government of Mississippi proved insufficient and thousands epitomizes the brutality and listened from the streets.

mockery of justice that consti- In Chicago it was the same tutes America's Jim Crow system. story of additional meetings hav-In New York the AFL Broth- ing to be arranged for the overerhood of Sleeping Car Porters, flow crowds. In the meeting halls



Moses Wright, 64, and his son Maurice, 12, shown at their farm in Money, Miss. where Wright's 14-year-old nephew, Emmett Louis Till was kidnaped and then beaten, shot and dumped in the Tallahatchie river. Wright stood up at the trial in Sumner, Miss., and with quiet power and dignity pointed an accusing finger at the sadistic lynchers Roy Bryant and his half-brother J. W. Milam. All the bullying and pressure of the white-supremacist lawyers couldn't shake Wright from his testimony identifying the killers. He became the symbol of the Negro people's struggle against racist terror.



### By John Thayer

Eisenhower's heart attack is having important political repercussions. One thing is certain, no matter how quickly or completely he recovers, he cannot run for re-election.

This is a staggering blow to if only they can put up a candithe plans and hopes of the top date with some personal appeal, like Eisenhower. Republican leadership, whose All the papers editorialize

strategy for the past three years has been to build up Eisenliower about Eisenhower's popularity. as above party and to make the What is it based on? Two things 1956 election a popularity con- seem to account for Eisenhow-

test. With Eisenhower out of er's popularity. the picture and only a handful First, the American people of unappetizing potential candi- don't consider him a professional dates to choose from, the Re- capitalist politician. His very

publican Party will be forced to political awkwardness reinforces go before the voters in what practically amounts to a state of | inet members have had to take political nakedness.

### WINDFALL

For the Democrats, however, Eisenhower's removal from the 1956 picture is a marvellous windfall. Top Northern Demoer's good fortune to enter the cratic circles had privately been White House at the moment reconciling themselves to defeat when U.S. imperialism had arin the coming presidential election. Now they feel that victory viously relentless drive toward is assured. World War III.

Although the press moralizes COLD-WAR SLOWDOWN that this rapid shift in the two The unfavorable world relaparties' prospects is a tribute to ionship of forces brought about the personality of Eisenhower, it is, rather, a strong commentary on the lack of important the Soviet development of the differences in the programs of H-bomb meant that outright ing project. This resolution was launching of war was no longer the two Big Business parties.

In the absence of basic dif- feasible. It would have to be ferences in program, the Repub- postponed and in the interim licans, openly a Big Business diplomatic deals would be used party, can defeat the Democrats, to gain as much as possible for never been passed before in the nounding streets. Traffic was be held in Mississippi." "Amen," equally a Big Business party Wall Street until another change streets of Chicago, but they will bumper to bumper for blocks "That's right," echoed the surbut with some liberal trimmings. (Continued on page 4)

tion of the Negro community from coast The meeting was actually held to coast. wice. As each speaker finished

Mass meetings and demonstrations are addressing the crowd inside, he being held in major cities from one end of or she then spoke outside. The the country to the other to protest the oulk of the meeting stood for latest Mississippi atrocity.

All observers attest to the very im-Willoughby Abner, top United pressive size of the demonstrations and Auto Workers, CIO, official and the heightened mood of militancy with NAACP vice president attacked which the Negro people are imbued. They the two big political parties for want action, they are ready for action, their failure to keep their promthey are eager to accept and applaud any reasonable proposal for effective action. "These people who organized

Yet, as a minority of the total population, they realize that action on their own can only be of a limited character and bring limited results. The target is Jim Crow in all of its ugly manifestations which cannot

"But remember," Abner conbe maintained without the kind of terror tinued, "A Dixiecrat is a Demonow rampant in the state of Mississippi. crat . . . Mayor Daley of Chi-The goal is complete economic, political and cago calls on Gov. White of Mississippi to do something on the social equality for the Negro people. This Till case. Very good. But why can be achieved by the Negro minority does Mayor Daley do nothing only if they have tested friends - reliable about Trumbull Park where he allies with common interests facing a comhas direct responsibility? And mon enemy AND armed with a correct remember, Daley is a Democrat . . And what party does the program of action!

Alderman of Trumbull Park be-Such an ally is today present on the long to? He is a Democrat." scene — the powerful American organized Abner then called out, "What's labor movement. But it speaks with muted

In the demonstrations and mass meet- headed by the veteran Negro and on the streets young Emmett Till, there occasionally appeared on the speakers roster a union Institutional CME Church in Hall. official of lesser rank, to join in the protest Harlem. Over 10,000 people AFL and CIO.

That this advice fell flat is not surprising. For it consisted of the usual plati tudes. "You must vote on election day!" "Go see your precinct captain and raise hob with him!" "Write your Senators and Congressmen!" "Elect our 'friends' to office and defeat our 'enemies'." And so forth and so on, ad nauseam!

When you hear a labor leader expressing the official political line you can bet your bottom dollar that when he says "vote on election day" he means vote Democrat. And when he talks about electing "friends" and defeating "enemies" you invariably find the "friend" turning up in the Democratic column on the ballot.

Aren't the "labor statesmen" really aware of the fact that the Democratic Party in the South is directly responsible for the abominations heaped upon the Negro people in the name of preserving (Continued on page 3)

ings held to protest the lynch murder of leader, A. Philip Randolph, an- were passed for a March on nounced a protest meeting for Washington and for a contin-Sunday, Sept. 25 at Williams uous picket line around City

Earlier meetings in other and to offer advice on behalf of the "labor came. The church and its aisles cities, such as Cleveland and statesmen" occupying the summits of the were soon packed. Then the Baltimore, told the same story crowd overflowed onto Seventh of record turnouts for meetings Ave., which is a divided street. on the Till lynching. The indig-Sidewalks on both sides, as well nation of the Negro people has is that in the center, were soon not reached such heights since the days of the Scottsboro case, dense mass of humanity. Another feature common to In Detroit crowds, variously estimated at from 10,000 to 20,-(Continued on page 2)

> Mississippi -- 1955 (To the Memory of Emmett Till) **By Langston Hughes** Oh, what sorrow! Lying low, unpublicized? Oh, what pity! Masked — with only **Jaundiced** eyes Oh, what pain That tears and blood Showing through the mask? Should mix like rain Oh. what sorrow. And terror come again Pity, pain, To Mississippi. That tears and blood Come again? Should mix like rain Where has terror been? In Mississippi! On vacation? Up North? And terror, fetid hot, In some other section Yet clammy cold, Of the nation, Remain.

# **Record Turnout at Detroit's Meeting**

By William Bundy DETROIT, Sept. 25-The larg-

reign of terror against Negroes ways anticipate every continat the meeting was U.S. Congressman Charles C. Diggs, Democrat, from Michigan's 13th district who gave an evewitness and polite, but would not leave. report of the Till murder trial. People approaching the en-A crowd of 4,000 filled the

Bethel AME Church which was trance would be told by others built to hold only 2,500. A second church about a block away possible to get in. "But I've got empty the aisles in the first building, but it too was quickly from inside. "Are you leaving?"

filled to over-capacity. to an audience of over 6,000. Though there was no loudspeaker arrangement, additional thous-Bullock commented that in his ands stood in a quiet, determin-

be today. This is a new day." I around the area.

The NAACP officials were ob-"I hear the European News- | ed to give up their right to vote. | viously unprepared for the size papers are giving this case real "Though the intimidation is est mass demonstration of Neg- and tenor of the meeting. The coverage," someone said. And almost unbearable, there is no roes in the history of this city chairman spoke apologetically everywhere the comment: "The silence from our speakers," he occurred today at a meeting call about the size of the meeting whole world is watching this said, and drew cheers from the with the simple statement. "This ed by the NAACP to protest the place, adding: "We do not al- thing, the whole world." audience.

The first speaker was Medgar Evers attacked the Democratic in Mississippi. Principal speaker gency." He spoke of the dan- Evers, field secretary for the Party, saying that Democratic gerous situation created by the Mississippi NAACP. Simply and Committeemen in Mississippi jamming of the aisles and ex- effectively he described the cam- have received orders to challenge horted those standing to leave. paign of intimidation and sub- all ballots cast by Negroes.

The crowd was orderly, quiet, terfuge being employed to de-He appealed for unity among prive Mississippi Negroes of Negroes in continuing the fight their right to vote. for equality, for increased mem-He listed the 20 odd catch- bership in the NAACP, and for questions on the Mississippi ap- all Negroes to register and vote.

plication form for registered "You have a fine congressman was opened in an attempt to to get in there," they would say, voters. One question, for ex- here to show for your efforts in A woman pushed her way out ample, is to give "a reasonable that direction," he said referring interpretation of the section of to Diggs. He drew a laugh when someone asked. "Not at all," she the constitution of the State of he mentioned Diggs' party affil-Diggs spoke at both churches replied, "But it is too tight in Mississippi referred to in a pre- liation, adding, "Of course not vious question." "Needless to all Democrats are the same."

there for me. I'll stand outside." "This meeting should have say," Evers pointed out, "if the Of the fight to end segregabeen held in a stadium," said voter is a Negro, and if he tion, Evers asked the audience. one person. A middle-aged wom- failed to dot an I or cross a T "Shall we stop now?" The ansexperience, "Resolutions have ed demonstration in the sur- an answered bitterly, "It should in his essay, the interpretation wer was not a shout, it did not is not considered reasonable." shake the rafters, it was a low, He told of knife-slashings and determined "No!" and it came shootings of Negroes who refus- from every throat in the hall.

Eyes moistened throughout the crowd, and the feeling of pride and power was overwhelming when Evers ended his speech crowd is tremendous. I shall go

back to Mississippi and tell the people there.'

### DIGGS IN SUMNER

Diggs' speech was dramatic. He denied that he had gone to Mississippi to gain the national imelight for personal political purposes. He stated that his presence there gave a feeling of protection and security to the Negro witnesses and newspapermen.

"A trembling Negro photographer met us at the airport in Jackson," Diggs said. "He told us of the tense atmosphere in Sumner. When we first arrived, here were not more than five Negroes to be seen around the ourthouse. The afternoon of our arrival Negroes began to come in from the cotton patches and (Continued on page 3)

ticket. No party should be able this belief. Up till now his cabto say it has the Negro vote in the rap for unpopular acts of its pocket." the administration, public opinion generally absolving Eisenhower as not being responsible. Most important, however, is the fact that it was Eisenhow

PASS RESOLUTIONS The audience reserved its greatest applause for the resolutions presented by Gerald Bullock, legislative director of the Chicago NAACP. The first reso-

lution called on the national NAACP to organize a March rived at a stalemate in its preon Washington.

The second resolution called for the organization of a picket

the answer?'

Several voices from the throng

shouted back, "Let's have our own party," "A Labor Party!"

Caught off guard, Abner

quickly retorted, "I don't mean

that! What I mean is, we must

stop voting the straight party

line as soon as possible around the Chicago City Hall to get action from the city administraby the colonial revolutions and tion on the racist terrorism in the Trumbull Park federal housamended to read "immediately"

instead of "as soon as possible."

## THE MILITANT

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# **Reuther Apologizes For Dismal** "Times That Try **Record of Democratic Congress**

### By Henry Kemp

One of the major problems con-

is the record of the Democratic

THE STRANGE CAREER OF JIM CROW. By C. Vann fronting AFL President George Meany and CIO President Walter Woodward. New York: Oxford University Press, 1955. Reuther in their role as labor 155 pp., \$2.50. alesmen for the Democratic party

The History

Of Jim Crow

By John Thayer

### (continued from last week)

theatres, parks, drinking foun-

was the bitter fruit of a defeat

inflicted upon the poor workers

and farmers — both white and

titude of noblesse oblige, an aris-

tocratic obligation to be "kind

Negro — in the 1890's.

this century.

BITTER FRUIT

holding class.

whites.

majority in the first session of In the previous installment we saw how the author the 84th Congress. The CIO has proved what to many will be an astounding fact. Namely, just published a pamphlet, "Rethat the present Jim Crow system of total segregation and port on Congress: '55," which discrimination in the South did? not come into practice or onto The Populists won increasing gloss over that problem.

the lawbooks with the end of Negro support. Negroes were Reconstruction in 1877. elected to top committees of this

attempts to skirt around and Reuther is hell-bent on clinging to the tail of the Democratic

Negroes continued to vote and radical agrarian party, not as donkey, no matter how bad its hold office in large numbers in the South for decades after Rerecord. For that reason his preface to this report, as well as construction. The Jim Crow laws party organization there developthe report itself, strains a gut to for separate streetcar seats, ed real integration. present that record in the best

possible light. On the basis of the Woodward relates: "Black and report. Reuther draws up what tains, toilets, bibles to be sworn white campaigners spoke from he considers to be a balance sheet on in court, etc., date only from the same platform to audiences of the positive and negative side the last years of the 19th Cen- of both races, and both had their of the record. tury and the first two decades of places on official party tickets.

### Populist sheriffs saw to it that "ACCOMPLISHMENTS"

Negroes appeared for jury duty; He lists four points of accomand Populist editors sought out plishment: (1) "The minimum The barbaric Jim Crow system achievements of Negroes to wage law was raised to \$1.00 an as it now exists in the South praise in their columns." hour." (2) "Bi-partisan support The Southern ruling class was for the essential elements of a terrified as this movement constructive foreign policy has threatened to take over political been restored." (3) The Adcontrol of the whole South. In ministration's give-away program

It was not the Negrophobes who took over the reins of gov-ernment in the Southern states its desperation to retain eco-nomic and political dominance it resorted to all the fraud, viowhen Reconstruction was de- lence and bribery that had been ed as a serious threat to our free stroyed but the former slave- used so successfully to defeat institutions.'

Reconstruction. The attitude of On the minus side of the ledger Traditionally their social at- noblesse oblige toward the Negro are found these crucial issues: titude to the Negroes differed people was junked as soon as it (1) "The civil rights program of from that of the poor whites. was seen that racism was the the Congress has been totally Moreover, they pretended an at- haters among the poor whites. The Populists performed heroic despite the desperate and growfeats in the ensuing battle. When ing need of the nation's children to inferiors." In fact they hoped lynching was at its height in for school rooms and for well- its leaders. to use the Negro vote to coun- Georgia, Watson led his party paid and well-trained teachers." terbalance the vote of the poor in a campaign to "make lynch (4) "The tax load on low and

law odious to the people." When middle - income families has not This explains such seeming a Negro Populist who had made anomalies as the fact that Gen- 63 speeches for Watson in the an unfair portion of the nation's eral Wade Hampton, who "re- Georgia campaign was threaten- tax load." (5) "The infamous deemed" South Carolina from ed with lynching, two thousand Taft-Hartley Act has remained Reconstruction, appointed at least armed white farmers, some of unchanged; and no step has been 86 Negroes to office during his whom rode all night, came to taken, through amending the administration and that Negro his defense and guarded him for Taft-Hartley Act, to halt the

candidates ran on the Democra- two nights until the danger had

lina counties.

tic ticket in several South Caro- passed.

Though the Democratic wooing THE DEFEAT But Populist victories at the of the Negro voters in the polls met with ballot-box stuff-Eighties did not bring the Negroes over in a mass to that ing. As the hope Populism had party, it did split their vote, lull aroused in the poor whites faded, the vacuum left was filled with them and cause the decline of the hate the subsidized racists the Southern Republican Party were so assiduously spreading. which had led Reconstruction. POPULISTS

(Continued from page 1)

Then the triumphant Southern ruling class disfranchised the for concrete proposals for action. Washington. It was Randolph's Normaci last the spectrum of

provided by the 75-cent minimum when it was established in 1949. Democratic Party Labor Salesmen

mum is now six-cents-an-hour less than it was in 1949.

crats "slowed down" the giveaway program would be more impressive if it were not for the candalous record of the "costplus contracts," "dollar-a-year" men, the "deep freezes" and "mink coats" of the Roosevelt and Truman administrations.

same purchasing power that was

### FOREIGN POLICY

Pointing with pride to the "bipartisan" foreign policy is prob- time." ably the most shameful part of the report.

It was this same bi-partisan foreign policy that hurled an unwilling American people into the Korean war. It armed and fi-French imperialists against the Indo-Chinese people. It installed an anti-labor military dictatorship in Guatemala. It kept Franco and a host of other foul reactionaries in power throughout the world. And despite the present "peace" maneuvers, which are but a breathing spell, American bipartisan foreign policy is stockpiling the H-bombs that threaten vorld civilization.

Perhaps the most far-fetched Democrats stopped McCarthyism. Where could he have been during the 83rd Congress when the Democrats made international spectacles of themselves by crawl-Democrats wound up that session flank" McCarthy that culminated with the leading liberal Democrats ramming through the police. Take only one point in the is what Reuther calls a "dis- state Humphrey-Butler Communist Control Act of 1954?

appointing failure" and a "blank." What do the "accomplishments" Reuther concludes that, "It is a \$1.00 an hour minimum wage gress, during its second session, during the election campaign they enact a program responsive to rule 22 which permits filibuster- pledged to support labor's demand the people's good." But out of his for a \$1.25 minimum. The CIO own mouth comes the facts that When the opening day of the itself has proven that in view of prove that the only real hope for promises to the Negro people and minimum - just to maintain the pendent party.



was - and still remains - so soil. After the American viccontroversial a character that tories he plunged into the strugcity sponsorship of a memorial gles of the English and French is out of the question at this masses against their tyrants. It On the basis of what they expressed his basic viewpoint by

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the Post had a point in feeling Hounded from both these counthat Mayor Reynolds was carry- tries, he returned to America to ing the witch-hunt to a ridicu- find his still consistently revolunanced the "dirty war" of the lous extreme in vetoing the tionary view quite unpopular statue. About all we were taught with the now conservative rulers about Paine was that he had of the country. During his last New Rochelle, N.Y. on the ground

question. I looked back to an tacks on every reactionary inof Reuther's claims is that the article written about Tom Paine stitution, left its mark on the by Jean Simon in the March- consciousness of the rulers of April, 1952, issue of the Marx- America and their spokesmen. ist magazine Fourth Internation- Theodore Roosevelt, for example, al. What I read convinced me called him a "filthy little athethat from the viewpoint of those ist." When first proposed, his who champion today's rotting name was voted down for the class whites had no such fear, with the most violent Negro- bills of urban consumers of sheet, taken by itself, is a terrible Senate Rule 22. This sell-out on fear? Where was he when the capitalist system of exploitation Hall of Fame. In 1942 the Fairand injustice there is certainly mont Park Commission in Philalogic to the mayor's stand. delphia gave Providence its pre-Tom Paine was a revolutionist cedent by also refusing authorwhose deeds and writing would ization for the erection of a certainly put him high on the statue of Tom Paine.

witch-hunters. And the fact is at the attacks leveled against that Mayor Reynold's slam at him by the reactionaries. He been eased and they still carry and what do we get? For years consist of? The Democrats passed to be hoped that the 84th Con- Paine is just one small part of stood up and fought to eliminate a long record of violent attacks them from the social scene.

promised to make a fight on the law. Leave aside the fact that will heed the people's voice and on that heroic figure that began Those who today simply sit during his lifetime and did not and bemoan the assault of reaction would do well to consider end with his death. Tom Paine was not one of the a bit more of what Tom Paine. silk stockinged leaders of the told the embattled revolutionary revolution. He came from the troops:

ranks of the people. He expres-"These are times that try sed their aspirations and spoke men's souls: The summer soldier their language with powerful and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the sereloquence.

His pamphlet, Common Sense, vice of his country; but he that vas a flaming call to action that stands it NOW deserves the love played a major role in mobiliz- and thanks of all men and wong the American people for the men. Tyranny, like hell, is not fight. Published Jan. 10, 1776, it easily conquered; yet we have for the first time spelled out a this consolation with us, that fully rounded and conscious revo-lutionary program. Its enormous glorious the triumph."



natural gas." (3) "No school con- indictment, not merely of the the very first day of Congress struction program was enacted, Democratic Party, but of the sealed the doom of any civil rights with a red-baiting orgy to "outpolitical course that has been legislation not only for 1955 but foisted on the union movement by for next year as well.

'failure'' scoreboard-the 'blank" on civil rights. Fill in the "blank" liberal Northern Senators had Senate's opening day to change

drive by reactionary employers 84th Congress came, not only did increased living costs it would be labor is to break with the Demofor anti-union laws in the various the liberal Senators betray their necessary to establish a \$1.06 crats and build its own inde-

**Protest Mississippi Verdict** |ish, to call on him to lead a | serves as a station on the modall these mass meetings was the March on Mississippi and others ern Underground Railway. Re-May 7 Lynching Reverend George W. Lee,

# Men's Souls" By Harry Ring "These are times that try men's souls," dolefully.

declared the liberal N. Y. Post on Sept. 23, as it reported that the author of that famed quotation, Tom Paine, is now too hot to handle in Rhoded

effect is indicated by the fact Mayor Reynolds of Providence, that over 300,000 copies were R.I., has rejected the offer of a sold at a time when the populastatue of one of the most honor- tion was less than three million. And he did not confine his ed fathers of the American Republic. "It is my feeling," said struggle against the reactionary the mayor, "that Thomas Paine monarchist system to American

was in England in 1791 that he taught me in public school about toasting "The Revolution of the

Tom Paine, I felt that maybe World.'

been one of the leaders of the days in the country he helped to American Revolution and that found he suffered constant harhe had written a number of rassment. The campaign against works with such reasonable titles him reached its climax when he as Common Sense. The Rights of was denied the right to vote in

Man. and The Age of Reason. But the mayor's contention that he - a revolutionary citithat Paine not only is but also zen of the world — was an alien! was a controversial figure got Paine's tireless fight for every me to look a bit deeper into the progressive cause, his savage at-

Tom Paine never whimpered "subversive" list of today's

It was at this point that the Negroes lest the specter of Any and all proposals for ac-Populist movement — that radi-cal movement of the farmers rise again. With this defeat of the farmer rise again. With the farmer rise again rise again rise again. With the farmer rise again rise again rise again. With the farmer rise again rise again rise again. With the farmer rise again rise again rise again. With the farmer rise again rise again rise again rise again. With the farmer rise again rise a which all students of U.S. his- the workers and poor farmers in March on Mississippi, a March frightened the Roosevelt admin- troit. Willie Reed, an 18-yeartory know about in its Western the South came the total Jim on Washington, etc. The princi- istration into issuing the FEPC old Negro youth also accepted phase — hit the South.

The Southern Populists made supporting legislation that we tried to tone these down. no pretenses of paternalism to- know today. It is the hideous ward the Negro. They approach- tombstone of a defeated political ed him on the basis of common revolution.

This book ends with an ac- the great Harlem meeting-"Be self-interest. It was an approach toward racial equality based on count of the gains made by the a precinct leader, or go see him poverty and the struggle against Negro people in the South since and tell him you want to see those who impoverished both the mid-Thirties. The author that the Democratic Party gets calls this the New Reconstruc- that mess cleaned up in Miswhite and Negro.

Tom Watson, principal Popu- tion and implies, without demon- sissippi." While such proposals list leader told the two races: stration, a steady, gradualistic received polite applause, they in view of the revival of lynch "You are made to hate each solution in the future. While evoked no real enthusiasm. other because upon that hatred many important facts are is rested the keystone of the brought out in his description Randolph on the platform at arch of financial despotism which and analysis of the changed sitenslaves you both. . . the color- uation in the South, there is one ed tenant is in the same boat glaring omission. This is a failure with the white tenant, the color- to assess the impact of the rise ed laborer with the white labor- of the CIO and its organization er. . . the accident of color can of millions of Negro workers.

make no difference in the inter- Woodward, a materialist of ests of farmers, croppers and the Beard school, is the leading laborers." He promised Negroes authority on the South in the that "if you stand up for your period between Reconstruction rights and your manhood, if you and the turn of the century. This stand shoulder to shoulder with book, like his others, will be of us in this fight" the People's exceptionally great value to par-Party will "wipe out the color ticipants in the Negro struggle line and put every man on his and to students of American citizenship irrespective of color." history.



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threat at the beginning of World for her.

dolph made no reply to the urg-Instead their proposals were on the line of those made by action.

NAACP head Roy Wilkins to RESOLUTIONS PASSED

law in the South. The presence of A. Philip

the Harlem meeting led the chairman, Rev. David L. Licor

**Till Lynch Racists** Smear NAACP Part of the smokescreen of

lies with which Mississppi officials and the white-supremacist press have tried to becloud the Till lynching is the fantastic concoction that the mutilated body fished out of the Tallahatchie river was put there by the NAACP to give bad publicity to Mississippi's "good" race relations.

In summing up for the lynchthe truck used to carry 14-yearers, Defense Attorney Whitten old Emmett Till's tortured body declared that a sinister outside from the lynch scene to the group like the NAACP could river. have planted young Till's ring Collins disappeared before the

on the mutilated body found in trial. He was secretly impristhe river. This is an old oned in the Charleston, Miss., trick. As old as a pursued jail to prevent his testifying. crook shouting "stop thief." Where he is now is not known Many strikebreaking corpora-Another potential witness against tions that have had strike the lynchers vanished before the leaders beaten and shot declare trial and has not been heard that the union has done the from since.

### DEATH THREAT

publicity. Several months before Stalin's GPU assassinated Moses Wright was given a Leon Trotsky, it staged an undeath threat by the lynchers the successful machinegun attack night they entered his home and on his home in the course of dragged off his 14-year-old which it kidnaped and murnephew. Milam ominously asked dered one of Trotsky's young the tenant farmer how old he followers. The Stalinist press was, and was answered, "I am tried to cover up by shouting 64." Milam then warned: "You'll Trotsky had staged the whole never live to be 65 if you tell thing himself to gain public what you saw here tonight." sympathy. The Mississippi Another witness, Mrs. Amanlynchers and their defenders da Bradley (no relation to Till's are following the same tactic. mother, Mrs. Mamie Bradley) Guilty of the fiendish child refused offers to help her out murder, they try to blame the of the state after the trial and victims - the Negro people went back to the plantation on and their leading organization, which she lives and works. Later that night she fled to Mound Bayou, the all-Negro town, which

Crow system and the maze of pal Negro leaders, however, order. This time, however, Ran- Diggs' offer of asylum in Detroit. Reed had testified to hearings to organize another such ing sounds of beating and screaming coming from the barn where young Till was murdered and of seeing the lynchers there,

This kind of active treachery

The New York mass meeting one of them wearing a pistol. unanimously passed two resolu-No matter how much evidence tions that were presented to it was put onto the court record, First was the demand for a the lynchers were never in danspecial session of Congress callger of punishment. A recent sured to pass an anti-lynching law vey shows that in the 18 Delta counties of Mississippi, white people get heavier punishment

Second was a demand that for killing a deer out of season U.S. Attorney General Brownell than they do for murdering a immediately investigate the Negro.

whereabouts and physical well-The whole trial demonstrated being of two Negro witnesses to the viciousness of the Jim Crow Till's murder who were repeated- system and the impossibility of ly referred to in testimony at justice in the present-day South. the trial, but were never called. Negroes in the county, where They have disappeared and the the trial took place, outnumber resolution expressed alarm for whites three to one. Yet no the trial walked up to the Negro

their safety. Dr. T. M. Howard, militant Negroes are allowed to vote in Tallahatchie County. Since the Negroes are allowed to vote in Negro leader of Mound Bayou, jury panel is taken from the Mississippi, gave a standing- list of registered voters, all jurroom-only meeting in Baltimore | ies are "lily white." some information about Leroy

South.'

ABUSE AND INSULT Collins, one of the missing witnesses. Collins, an employe of At the trial, segregation was one of the lynchers, had been iron-clad. Even a U.S. Congressordered to wash the blood off man was forced to sit in the

comment on the heart-rending Jim Crow section. Officials at testimony of Mrs. Bradley about the identification of her son's August 13 Lynching

broken body was: "If she had tried a little harder, she might Lamar Smith, 63 - year - old have got out a tear." Negro farmer, was shot to

The lynchers, Milam and Brydeath by three white men on the courthouse lawn in Brookant, on the contrary, were treathaven. Mississippi, for "meded with deference and respect. The white supremacists raised a dling in politics." There were defense fund for them. All the 30 to 40 eyewi'tnesses standing lawyers in the area volunteered within 30 feet of Smith and to serve on their defense. They his lynchers. Yet the grand were not guarded and never jury was unable to "find" one were handcuffed. They were alwitness and failed to indict lowed to play with their children either for murder or manin the courtroom. They were slaughter. This lynching as given the run of the judge's perwell as the Lee and Till lynchsonal quarters in the court for ings have been "looked into" their own convenience. Admirers by the FBI as a result of came up and shook their hands. NAACP demands. Militant After 67 minutes of discussion leader of the all-Negro town of the jury unanimously endorsed Mound Bayou, Mississippi, Dr. their crime. T. M. Howard, who produced five prosecution witnesses for the Till trial, recently said of

The tremendous anger of the Negro people and the horror of these FBI investigations: "It organized labor over the Till is getting to be a strange thing lynch case must not be allowed that the FBI can never find to dissinate without achievement. out who the killer is when a It must be channeled into a procolored man is killed in the gram that will smash the whole brutal, corrupt Jim Crow sys-

Negro leader in Belzoni. Mississippi, who refused to be intimidated by threats from the White Citizens Councils into removing his name from the voting registration list, was shot to death by a group of white supremacists. Belzoni officials at first tried to cover un Lee's murder by listing it as a death in an auto accident. When forced by widespread publicity in the Negro and labor press to admit Lee was murdered, the authorities claimed they had no clues to the murderers. Negro witnesses to the crime fled Mississippi in fear of their lives. The NAACP located them and relayed their testimony to the FBL. Though the identity of the lynchers is an open secret in Belzoni, and though the FBI has the in-

formation, no steps have been

taken to punish them.

to Negroes.



Indignation and anger at the sold sixteen papers at a union acquittal in Mississippi of the meeting, Jackie Booth and Dot murderers of young Emmett Till Mack sold eighteen Militants and

is running high three Trumbull Park pamphlets throughout the at an open air Forum: Ed Larcountry. Several sen and Larry Haines sold twencorrespondents ty papers and six "Struggle for have reported the Negro Equality" pamphlets at events in their a youth meeting of the National Association for the Advancement cities which are printed elsewhere of Colored People. The next in this issue. The week 72 Militants were sold at literature agents various points in the city. This week we sold 220 Militants and tell us what effect these events twenty pamphlets at the NAACP had on the sales. Protest Rally on the Emmett Till murder. Fortunately we had

John Tabor of New York says: 'A protest meeting on the Till extra papers, but we could have murder was held in Harlem by sold 300 more if we had them." the Sleeping Car Porters Union. The report from Detroit parallels the report from New York. The Militant was sold so fast it was hard to keep up with it. The first batch of 185 were sold

Allen Winters writes: "Three salesmen took the current Milipress table and said, "Hello, in twenty minutes. One of our tant to sell at the NAACP meetn----rs." Mrs. Bradley, when on best pluggers, Johnny Adams, ing called to demand justice in the stand, was addressed by sold 147 papers, which is a record the Emmett Till case. The 31 papers they took with them were sold in about five minutes, so they went back for more. Tom Johnson, Bob Himmell and Sherry Cohen sold a total of ninety papers as well as 49 copies of "The Struggle for Negro Equalreported our Militant sales for ity." They did not have to "sell"

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a while, but business goes on as the paper-they simply held it usual. The last three week-ends up and people lined up to buy. have been especially notable. No other political group sold or Marge Rains and Lou Griffin distributed anything there."



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prosecution and defense attor- for recent times. Twelve sales neys alike as "Mamie" since the people sold a total of 490 papers. Jim Crow code does not permit The papers seemed to melt out of our arms. We are planning "courtesy" titles, such as "Mrs." another mobilization next week with a thousand papers." The jury foreman's sneering Chicago reports: "We haven't



# ... Fighting Negro-Labor Alliance

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and maintaining white supremacy? And don't they know that in the one-party South if the act of voting means anything at all it means the right to participate in Democratic primaries? And hasn't anyone told them that if a Negro in Mississippi persists in trying to exercise this right he risks being lynched? Where have they been all their lives? These are truths with which every school child is familiar.

If the labor leaders are unaware of the political problem of the Negro in the South, they can scarcely be ignorant of the problems the unions face in organizing a South which is becoming increasingly industrialized. The "solid South" is today the citadel of the open shop. The "runaway shop" has become a union problem of prime importance. Union organizers are terrorized, beaten and sometimes murdered. The recent action of a Tennessee mayor is symbolic of the attitude of the "South" toward labor unionism. This good Democrat armed his cops with machine guns and ordered them to "shoot to kill" peaceful pickets on strike against the Southern Bell Telephone Company.

A series of articles on the South have recently appeared in the New York Herald-Tribune written by special correspondent Homer Bigart. Writing on Mississippi, Bigart disclosed that the White Citizens Councils maintain a vigilant watch against what they dub "subversion." "Down here," declared Bigart, "subversion equals integration." He could well have added, that "down here" subversion also equals union organization which the good Democrats of the White Citizens Councils are determined to "keep in its place."

It is true that the Republican party, the favorite party of Big Business, is no better and the Negro people would be ill advised to seek any solution to their problems in that direction. But are these the only real alternatives, either Republican or Democrat? If so, the struggle would be hopeless indeed! We are told, of course, that the Democratic party of the South is funda-

mentally different from the same party of the North, and the word Dixiecrat is coined to indicate this difference. But the what it has been from the begindifferences that exist are surface differences which serve to conceal but do not alter the essential identity.

The so-called liberal Democrats of the perialists. North, the self-styled "friends" of labor and the Negro people, are a gang of patent frauds. Admitting their impotence as a minority in Congress, they have capitulated without a fight to the Southern main antagonists, Dulles of Wash-Bourbons and have tried to cover their ington and Molotov of Moscow, cowardice on every important issue with became more restrained, genial a Niagara of insipid rhetoric. Both the and "correct." And to be sure we Northern and Southern Democratic politicians serve the same master, each in their own way.

The struggle against the Jim Crow system and for full equality is essentially a political struggle — that much is true. But that is not the end all and be all of wisdom, as the union leaders preach. They have it in their power to initiate the action that can stay the hand of "Judge Lynch" and lead the labor movement and the Negro people, up the road of emancipation. They need only say, in labor's authentic voice, speaking loud enough and clear enough for all to hear: We will no longer besmirch the name of the American labor movement by supporting a political party that is directly responsible for perpetrating such fiendish crimes as the wanton murder of young Emmett Till. From this day forth, labor must break with the Democratic party and launch its own independent political party based on the unions and finding its staunch allies in the Negro people and all those who suffer persecution and degradation under this political system.

Those are the words that the Negro people are waiting for and which they will welcome with great acclaim. If the present leaders of labor are unable or unwilling to utter them, it will be incumbent on the ranks to find new leaders who will - for the very existence of the organized working class depends upon it.

things since Geneva were going to the sessions of the General be different, both the words and the deeds of the first week have made it clear that nothing has really changed. The UN remains ning — an arena of struggle between Western imperialism and the Soviet bloc, with the control firmly in the hands of the im-

One change, however, must be noted. The reader can judge its

hose who had the idea that

mination and the end of colonial exploitation. Two thirds of the world's popweight. The choice of language, ulation is waging a war for its the facial expressions and the independence and freedom from general deportment of the two the great capitalist powers. This is a mortal challenge to the West-

Assembly. Here the world of

reality - of colonial struggle

against imperialism - intruded

shanply into the peaceful co-

existence rhetoric of the speech-

makers. The colonial people have

up to now taken seriously the

purposes of the UN as stated in

ern imperialists. Whenever a colonial victim of can expect a busy social season these imperialists appeals to the as the upper crust socialites vie United Nations, all the weight

Japanese Protest Air Runway

### CHINA EXCLUDED ness dealt with the agenda for

The very first order of business after the election of the chairman, was the perfunctory voting down of the resolution to seat China. The one-time sleeping giant of the East, now a great power by virtue of a revolution that swept out imperialist control and capitalist rule, will not be allowed to sit at the council tables of the UN.

its charter; namely, to provide The butchers and hangmen of the means to achieve self deterthe colonial peoples declared with straight faces — that China its independence in a revolution was unacceptable because it be- against British tyranny. But lieved in violence! The U.S. delegation presented the resolution pressed. The copyright to the barring China, postponing the issue for another year. This gives | Washington for use on ceremonial Washington a trump card in its future bargaining sessions with Mao.

peril. It was the turn of the Algerians Next in order was the attempt of the Greek delegation to bring next. This oppressed colony of the issue of Cyprus to the As-France had its case presented by sembly floor. The Cypriots bit- 14 nations of Asia and Africa led terly resent the alien British hand by India. The spokesman of the that rules them. They want to rapidly disintegrating French claim the right promised in the colonial empire took the UI United Nations' charter - the floor with blood in his eve. right to decide their political fate He warned and threatened that by a free vote. But London is the North African colonies were letermined to hold on to this possessions of France and what strategic Mediterranean island took place there was solely and so the hopes of the Cypriots French internal affair and that for justice from the UN have been if Algeria found a place on the UN agenda it would be a direct

The Greek spokesman in the violation of the sacred UN JN was in this case interested in charter. The French imperialists ar ause it is expected that a great waging a bloody, desperate but majority of Cypriots would vote doomed war against their colonial to become part of Greece. He subjects in North Africa. They made a special appeal to the can only carry on this war with United States delegation to give the help of the United States. In them the right to be heard. In Africa, France counts on U.S. past sessions of the UN the U.S. military supplies as in the UN position was to abstain in full it counts on the bloc of votes conconfidence that the UN would bar trolled by Washington.

apartheid of the South African conference at Bandung and the white supremacists, the bloody opcapid spread of colonial revolt in pression in Malaya, the terror in Africa, increased the confidence Morocco and Tunisia, the holding and power of colonial spokesmen on to Goa by Portugal - none of and abstention became risky. On this is permitted to reach the this occasion Lodge, Washington's floor of the UN. spokesman led the fight to keep the Cypriot case off the floor and HIGH STAKES cast the U.S. vote with France

The American billionaire mo-Britain and their stooges. nopolists have high stakes in the The Greek speaker in his apolonial world of Africa and Asia. peal for U.S. support reminded A recent issue of the South Lodge that the United States won African weekly, New Age, commenting on the tremendous growth of American interest in Lodge was singularly unim-Africa said, "You can hardly place your finger on Africa's 111/2 revolution of 1776 remains in million square miles of territory without finding the name of a occasions only - would-be imita-U.S. firm.' tors are warned to do so at their

At one time the dollar aims of American monopoly capital could be served in apparent harmony with the march of national movements for freedom against the European colonial powers. In a certain sense the troubles of the European capitalists was Washington's opportunity. Now, however, Washington faces a different problem. It is propping up ts Western capitalist allies by the sheer weight of American military and dollar power.

No choice is left to the Washington policy makers but to cast off all pretense and to take the side openly and unashamedly of

the European colonial powers. The U.S. delegates at the UN can no longer afford sanctimonious abstention on the burning colonial issues that come up. It must now take the iniative openly and publicly before the entire world to bolster the disintegrating imperialist system.

# **REVOLUTIONARY ANTI-STALINISTS** NOT LISTED IN KREMLIN AMNESTY

By Carl Goodman Soviet Union in regions least During the course of its nesuited for human settlement begotiations with West German cause of climatic or other physi-Chancellor Adenauer, the Soviet cal factors. Among those coming under the Government granted an amnesty amnesty are Soviet soldiers who to virtually all citizens who algave themselves up to the Gerlegedly collaborated with German armies, as well as entire ethnic groups such as the Cri-According to the Sept. 19 N.Y. mean Tartars, Volga Germans Times, more than half of the and other national groupings in prison if they returned and prison and exile population of the Caucasus and the Baltic.

from the amnesty decree. Mil- signed as a prelude to freeing ed resolutions on the "Rise of lions of people were forcibly up- nearly 10,000 Germans convicted the Colonial Bourgeoisie" and rooted during World War II and and imprisoned in the Soviet

as 90% of the population of the tween West Germany and the Soviet Union will be restored. The Soviet government also invited Soviet citizens abroad who gave themselves up to the Ger-

man armies or served in German armed forces to return free of liability. It promised those who committed "severe crimes against the Soviet state" a maximum sentence of five years in pleaded guilty.

The London newspaper Sunday Observer recently reported that the Soviet Government is releasing large numbers of prisoners from forced labor camps in Arc-

# Working Class Candidates for 1956

The decision of the National Committee of the Socialist Workers Party to enter the 1956 presidential election campaign came at a time when the country was rife with speculation about the affect on the political scene of Eisenhower's heart

The Democrats were elated — they had practically abdicated as an opposition vanguard party for leadership formed workers state." party and conceded the victory of Eisen- of the future mass radicalizahower if he chose to run again.

Authoritative spokesmen for the capi- CHANGE IN WORLD talist ruling class hastened to reassure the The plenum of the National "The Soviet Union Today" as exiled to Siberia on the charge Union for war crimes. Their

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**SWP Plenum Meets** 

Protests against a new runway planned by the U.S. Air

Force mounted to a climax in Sunakawa, Japan, as local police

clashed with residents who resisted attempts of government

workers to survey land to be used for an airfield extension. The

Japanese have been staging sitdown strikes and throwing rocks

at American servicemen at the base.

Stalinist leadership as a "de-In addition to the resolution

on China the plenum also adopt-

man forces in World War II.

the Soviet Union may benefit The amnesty decree is also de-

dashed once again.

self determination for Cyprus be-

attack.

For that section of the American capitalist class that benefited most from the lavish bounty of the Eisenhower Republican administration the news of the president's illness loomed as a political calamity of the first order. Some were so temporarily bereft that they threw large blocks of stock into Wall Street depressing the market in what will go down into history as the Eisenhower stock-market crash.

The Big Boys recovered rapidly enough, however, to pocket a handsome profit on the subsequent rise in the market, with no one hurt much except the little suckers shaken out by "operation panic."

The Republicans were sad — they had counted on the Eisenhower popularity to carry them to victory in 1956.

"business community" that regardless of Committee of the SWP devoted the outcome, the so-called "free enterprise" system would persevere.

All of which serves to underline the point made at the recently concluded SWP National Committee meeting by presi-discussion was the tremendous dential candidate Farrell Dobbs, that the changes that have taken place in party must "patiently explain" that the the world since the end of the

working people can solve none of their war. basic problems through the capitalist political parties.

The main task of the Socialist Workers in August 1945 to date, there Party in the 1956 campaign, said Dobbs, have occurred gigantic upheavis to bring once again to the working peosive changes in the relationship ple of this country the message of socialism as the only road to peace, security and prosperity for all. And to achieve this capitalist nations; between capgoal, the working people "must build their own independent political party and create onial world; in Europe, Africa, the Americas and Asia. a workers and farmers government."

# **Crisis of Education System**

There is widespread alarm over the crisis in the educational system. This year 700,000 children will be deprived of fulltime schooling. The teacher shortage grows steadily. Science and mathematics courses have been dropped from 1,500 high schools for lack of teachers.

The country needs at least \$14 billion for new schools — merely to keep pace with the growth of the student body. The scope of the problem is such that only a vast federally-financed program could even begin to meet it. Every day new voices are added to the demand that a federal program be enacted.

In answer to this pressure the government has called for a series of regional conferences to precede a national White House conference on education on Nov. 28. This was undoubtedly called with an eye to some face-saving device for the 1956 elections since all attempts to pass an aid bill in Congress have failed.

One such regional conference on education took place Sept. 19 in New York City. Here are some of the keynote remarks by the chairman of the conference, Kenneth C. Royall:

"I am sure that today thousands are streaming into college not actually for educational purposes but for social or athletic or other purposes which bear little relation to real education."

Having thus assigned the low level of interest in the academic purposes of college to the bad motives of the students, Royall goes on to propose that we should

"cut the cloth of the educational garment" to fit the limited school budgets: "We United States. Every tremor, should cut our specifications for less essential functions of the schools." he argued. He wound up his tirade with the snide question: "Are the schools acting as baby sitters?"

It is to the credit of the educators present that they rose in numbers to refute the chairman. In addition they forced the holding of a session devoted to Street financed counter-revoluthe question of federal aid to education, a tion in Guatemala. And, of all point which had not been included on the the great upheavals taking place agenda.

Who is this Kenneth C. Royall? He is a years, the greatest was the vicformer general in the U.S. Army, he served China. as Secretary of War under Truman and in that office he naturally did not hesitate to recommend billions of dollars for military expenditures. Yet he has the gall to propose limiting the school program to a at the SWP gathering. In his extension into other countries level even below its present critically report to the plenum, Morris inadequate condition.

The pauperization of the schools stands out even more starkly against the background of the announcement that the Defense Department is struggling to pare its | tor into world affairs, a factor expenditures to a measly \$33 billion in which must be taken into conorder to balance the budget for the 1956 election. In the mad scramble for electionyear "economies" an even bigger squeeze will be made on appropriations to education.

All we can expect from the capitalist politicians is a continuation of the policy of billions for war preparations and peanuts for education and welfare.

parts of a general resolution on a large part of its time to initinternational affairs with other iating a discussion having as its sections to be added later.

aim the "task of solving new Further discussion in the party problems in a new historic peron important theoretical quesiod." The basic premise of the tions related to the international situation was provided for by the plenum.

The resolution on the Third Chinese Revolution, after mak-In the period of a single decade, from the explosion of the oncrete development of the revfirst atom-bomb over Hiroshima

olution and the social transformations it brought about concludes with the following sumals bringing in their train decimary:

"The of forces on a world scale: be Chinese Revolution, the social The crowd applauded. tween the capitalist and nontransformations it brought about, the blows it delivered to world answered those who attacked italist imperialism and the col capitalism, have been second him for leaving his constituency, only to those of the 1917 Revo-

American imperialism emerg-Question" has been the main Mississippi and what happens in ed from the war as the dominant axis in world politics for nearly New York or Michigan. I feel four decades; it now has found that I represent all the people, capitalist world power. The task of maintaining capitalism as a its extension and deepening in and the murder of a 14-year-old world system devolved primarthe Chinese Question." ily upon the ruling class in the

"World imperialism which ould never come to any lasting in Detroit." every shock, every explosion anyagreements with the Soviet Unwhere in the world had its imion is even less capable today mediate reverberation in this of coming to any lasting agreecountry ments with the Soviet Union

Every serious problem in the and China who have been thrown world at once becomes an Amertogether into an alliance which ican problem, from the struggle

neither Peking nor Moscow dares of the workers and peasants of upset. Indo-China against the French

not waged all-out war against racists, that state should be encolonial oppressors to the Wall them up to now, it is for one reason and one reason only-the test of strength on the Korean in the world in the past ten battlefield convinced them that

they could not win such a war at this time. This is the chief the United States?"

reason for today's stalemate, which can only be temporary. plunge into all-out war or the Chinese revolution will find its

"One thing is certain, there is no solution along the course of STAY AND FIGHT the Peking and Kremlin bureauracies. Their narrow nationalist course, their co-existence line, that he believed a campaign to brings them into conflict with force Negroes out of the South the needs of the world socialist had been undertaken by the racrevolution, but it will not save them from imperialist assault. | ical relationship of forces.

The main line of analysis and The interests of the working the political conclusions of the class in the capitalist countries, draft resolution on the "Third just as the interests of the workers of China and the Soviet Union are expressed in the pro- are too great in Mississippi for gram of the permanent revolu- them to allow themselves to be plenum voted to designate the tion, the program upon which forced out," Diggs advised, say-Fourth International is ing the Negro people were makof the Chinese revolution under founded."

collaboration with the enemy, release is part of the agreement They comprise perhaps as much | whereby diplomatic relations be-

# ...Record Turnout at Detroit's Meeting

(Continued from page 1) not going to stop. "Mississippi plantations. Not so much to see may yet have a Negro governor," he predicted. the black Congressman as to at-

tend the trial under the security He described spiriting two ing a thorough analysis of the that the presence of a black Negro witnesses away "in the Congressman offered." dead of night to the sanctuary "You didn't know when you of Chicago." "These were not roted in last year's election that sophisticated Negroes," Diggs you were providing security for said, "but the kind who have been born and bred in Missisour brothers in Mississippi," impact of the Third cried Diggs. "Remember that." sippi and are used to addressing white people only with 'yassuh

and nossuh.' And here they were The Michigan Congressman pointing the finger of accusation at white men. I hope Negroes "Some people refuse to see the will be impressed by their courlution in Russia. The "Russian link between what happens in age.'

Detroit's great protest dem onstration was virtually entirely Negro. There were almost no white faces in the crowd, not Negro boy could not be more even a sprinkling. The only white persons on the platform were my concern if it had happened

members of Diggs personal He stated his intention to make guard. the protection of the civil rights Many large donations were made and the baskets passed of anybody, "black or white, anywhere in the land," his busiamong the crowd came back filled with bills. The only time the ope. ness. Again the audience aplabor movement was mentioned plauded

Diggs charged that since half was during the announcement of the population of Mississippi the collections when several has been disenfranchised by the groups of union workers were listed among the contributors.

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both parties grinning at us ir New York and Michigan and slamming the door in our faces in Mississippi," he declared. He did not mention his own party affiliation.

The Political Biography Of Walter Reuther (From Socialist to Democrat) A high point in Diggs' speech Friday, Oct. 14, at 8 P. M. came when he told the audience The Strange Career Friday, Oct. 21 at 8 P. M. ists because of the close numer-

"When you write your relatives down there tell them 'drop your buckets where you are'! The potentialities for Negroes ing progress and that they were

Siberia. tic Russia and newspaper credited interviews with Austrian and Japanese war prisoners recently freed from Soviet prison camps for the information.

POLITICAL PRISONERS

There are no indications, however, that the Kremlin is freeing any political prisoners, who number millions in the slave labor camps. These include Trotskyists, anarchists, religious pacifists, Titoist sympathizers and other workers and youth devoted to the cause of Socialist construction.

All of them were ardent enemies of Nazism. Today they continue to uphold the program of defense of the Soviet Union against U. S. imperialist attack and capitalist restoration. They fight the Stalinist dictatorship ecause of its oppressive rule against the working people and advocate a regime of workers' democracy. Yet the Kremlin framed them as "saboteurs," "Nazi agents," or 'spies." "agents of U.S. imperialism' during successive purges in the Soviet Union and Eastern Eur-

Innocent victims of show trials staged by the Stalinists in Eastern Europe in 1949-1953 were accused of being "Titoist fascists." During the course of his visit to Belgrade last May, Nikita S. Khrushchev, Secretary of the Communist Party of the

Soviet Union, himself admitted that Kremlin charges of "fascist" made by the Kremlin against Yugoslav Communist Party leaders had been "fabricated.

Following this admission, Farrell Dobbs, National Secretary of the Socialist Workers Party sent a cable to Khrushchev demanding that "in interest of USSR and world working class you release from prisons and slave-labor camps all victims of this frame-up.'

Dobbs also demanded that Khrushchev invite an international civil liberties commission to review the facts of all Stalinist frame-ups, including the Moscow Trials of the 1930's.

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CHINESE REVOLUTION The question of the Chinese Either U.S. imperialism will revolution, therefore, occupied a central place in the discussion and end capitalism forever.

Stein stressed that "we cannot understand the world situation unless we understand the Chinese revolution." The Chinese revolution has injected a new fac-

sideration in any assessment of

Chinese Revolution and its After-

After extended discussion the

state which emerged as a result the

future development.

math" were adopted.

# The Negro Struggle

# A Step in the Right Direction

Several columnists in the Negro press have criticized the top leadership of Negro organizations in this country for not being active enough in the struggle to preserve civil liberties against the witch hunters. The point made by these perspicacious columnists is that Negro leaders and the Negro people should not think that defense of political freedom from the "loyalty" purgers and the Attorney General with his subversive list is an issue unrelated to the struggle against Jim Crow.

The fight for civil liberties and the fight for the civil rights of the Negro people are two inseparable parts of a common struggle. However, perhaps because of a division of labor that has grown up, the shortsighted and dangerous notion has been developed that these were separate battles.

The daily experience of both the civil liberties' and the anti-Jim Crow civil rights' fight demonstrates the falsity of this idea.

On Aug. 1 Georgia's racist Board of Education declared: "Any teacher in Georgia who supports, encourages, condones or agrees to teach a [racially] mixed grade, or any teacher who is a member of the NAACP, any allied organization or any subversive organization, shall have his or her [teaching] license revoked and forfeited for life."

The obvious inspiration of this attempted anti-integration "subversive" list was the federal government's "subversive list." The Georgia racist figured.

People fired on "loyalty" charges, have in countless instances been unable to get jobs in private industry, are barred in some places from unemployment compensation due them, have been ordered out of housing projects, have even been denied the necessary licenses to tune pianos.

In Mississippi the White Citizens Councils noted all this. They are now applying this technique of the witch-hunt to ruin any Negro who signs a desegregation petition or who registers to vote. Such "subversives" of the Dixiecrat Way of Life are fired from jobs, blacklisted, denied credit, etc.

Thus the spreading of the methods used to suppress those who believe in radical, economic and political changes in capitalism to those who demand radical changes in the racist system of the South, has underlined the indivisibility of the fight against the witch hunt and the fight against Jim Crow.

That the leaders of the Negro struggle are awakening to the need to participate more actively in the fight against the witch hunt is seen in the formation on Sept. 25 of a new organization. It calls itself Americans for Traditional Liberties It is headed by 82 prominent figures, a sizeable number of whom are identified with the fight for Negro equality.

For example among the founders are A Philip Randolph, President of the AFL Sleeping Car Porters: Arthur B. Spingarn, President of the NAACP; Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, President of Morehouse College; Prof. J. Saunders Redding of Hampton Institute; Russell P. Crawford, President of the N.Y. Branch of the NAACP; and Prof. Frank Dorey of Howard University. The Braden Case

Americans for Traditional Liberties have listed nine major evils in present day America. These include not only discrimination and segregation but the witch hunt with its use of "loyalty" purges, subversive lists, paid informers and guilt by association. While their attack on the witch hunt is not as basic as is needed, it is a step in the right direction and the prominent participation of Negro leaders is a welcome sign indeed.

ACKET LINES

A long, bitter strike in a company town, where the union couldn't even rent a headquarters and had to use a church bus instead, ended in victory for the CIO Textile Workers. The town is Tuxedo, North Carolina. Strike against Green River Mills began April 6. Settlement included all the benefits of a union contract over open-shop conditions, plus wage boosts of 5 to 20-cents an hour, averaging 121/2 cents.

# Our Readers Take the Floor

### ly attacked. Finally, their new Suggests Cartoon home was dynamited!

Editor: Local legal authorities, instead of moving against the lynchers, Today is our 55th Wedding Anniversary. (My wife is 83; I indicted Carl and Anne Braden am 85 years old.) We celebrate segregation (including 2 trained by appealing (as widely as we social workers) for - "Conspircan) for help in moving America ing to damage property (by away, a terrified look on his owards complete Desegregation. bombing) — to achieve a politi-

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cal end - communism." An example: A white news-To help undo this mad injuspaper man, Carl Braden, is out tice — and to help preserve of jail on a \$40,000 bond -America's reputation for fair pending appeal from his sentence play - we urge our fellow citito 15 years in prison, plus \$5,- zens to write Mrs. Anne Braden (at her Louisville address, given 000 fine. (He spent 8 months in above) for full, free information, jail before his friends could including nine photographs. (We

raise the monstrous \$40,000 bail.) have also, voluntarily, contrib-What crime? Carl and his uted \$15.00 thus far towards the necessary, large Defense Fund.) noble wife Anne Braden (ad-Thus we hope that others may dress: P.O. Box 1302, Louisville, be led — as we are led — to Kentucky) bought a modest help remove this terrible stain house in a semi-rural commufrom our country's soul. nity, two or three miles outside Sincerely,

Louisville. They sold it to a Charles F. Heller refined colored man, his wife Founder-President of World Fel CONFLICT? lowship, Inc. and the World Fel and two small children.

The colored family was fierce- lowship of Faiths

out, "I'm going over there. What right has he got to talk to my friend like that?" OHIO BOSSES RAISE FUND TO "Sit still!" the addee for the still of the addee for the still of the still o BEAT

# Negro Girl, 18, Accosted; Cops Put Her in Jail

### By John Black

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 24 — Like everywhere throughout the country, people here have followed with passionate interest the details of the Mississippi trial which followed the kidnaping and murder of p

the 14-year-old Negro youth Em; been responsible for the whole mett Till, for "whistling." affair were released until the

Newspapers in this city have, hearing. The three members of of course, editorialized about the the Taylor family, however, were need for a fair and just trial. thrown in jail pending trial. In But the daily press has shown jail Miss Taylor has complained no interest in the case of Miss that she was subjected to much Thelma Taylor, 18-year-old Ne- foul language by the matron gro Pittsburgher employed in a and the cops.

When the case was finally peauty shop on the Northside of heard the judge fined the parents

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Last Saturday, Sept. 17, Miss and the two white louts \$10 each. - and held Miss Taylor for fur-Taylor, who had worked late, had to pass one of the many ther court action! The charge saloons on the Northside on her against her will probably be "reway home. Two white men in sisting arrest."

their early 20's standing outside Mr. Taylor, a steelworker, is tavern, accosted her and made an usher at the Macedonian Bapwhat she has described as an tist Church. He told his story to obscene and indecent proposal to his minister, Rev. Harvey. The her. She vigorously resented this following Monday, at the regular and told the two fellows so. She business meeting of the Church, Here is an idea I would like told them that they only dared the case was presented and the

talk that way to her because she congregation voted unanimously to set up a \$1,000 Legal Defense was colored and demanded that In the left background the fig- they let her pass. Fund to aid any member of the Church needing help in similar

COPS ARREST VICTIM cases of injustice at the hands When they continued to abuse of the authorities.

for protection, and his left arm her and prevent her from going AROUSED ANGER on her way, she called for help poised to hurl an H-Bomb.

The police treatment of the The amazing sight he beholds to a passing police car. The two in the foreground is the stirring cops left the car and began to young woman was bad enough. The shameful acquittal of the of a chained giant, a symbol of question her — instead of the two men. She told them what lynchers of 14-year-old Emmett the revolutionary colonial peoples who are struggling to break had happened but the cops were Till in Mississippi coming on top not interested in her complaint of this local case has greatly the chains of imperialism. aroused the anger of the Negro In the middle of the picture and began to arrest her.

With bitter indignation Miss population of Pittsburgh. and slightly in front of Money-Democratic Mayor David Law-Taylor told the cops, "They killpags is the Kremlin bureaucrat, rence, of wage-tax notoriety, has ed a little colored boy in Mis-Bulganin. Although his eye is on sissippi for whistling at a white repeatedly boasted of the amithe giant, his head is turned able race relations which Pittswoman, but up here in Pittstowards Moneybags to whom he burgh colored women can't be burgh is supposed to have enis saying, "I tried to explain." His arms and open palms are protected from rotten white men joyed during his administration. The names of the four cops instretched downward and out in when the police are around." exasperation.

By this time another squad volved in the Taylor case are The title might read: "COEX-ISTENCE OR THE FINAL lor's parents, who had been call- the Mayor and the other city ofcar appeared and also Miss Tay- known. It remains to be seen if ed by a friend, arrived on the ficials will do even the barest

minimum - suspending them scene. Minneapolis, Minn When her parents saw the po- for their brutal racial bigotry, ice choking their daughter, the pending a thorough investigation ather intervened by saying: of the case at a public hearing: 'Don't choke her. Arrest her if | This case and many others inyou wish but don't abuse her." volving police brutality have The police then arrested him and been called to the Mayor's atthe mother, too. In the process tention. With elections coming

# Off-Duty Cop By Ben Haines

I rode home from work the other night together with five of my shopmates who are Puerto Ricans. We stopped at a bar on New York's Lower East Side for a few beers. We had worked overtime and it was one o'clock in the morning.

The talk got around to the problem of discrimination against the Puerto Rican people in New York, particularly those with dark skins.

"You know," one of the fellows said, "we have discrimination in Puerto Rico, too, but its mostly from the rich people who are white. There are some places they won't let a man with a black skin go." "Yes," said another, "but if they dared to stop me on the street in Puerto Rico I would slap their faces — here in New York it's different. Here they insult you even on the street."

The conversation continued but it became strained.

then motioned to the one in our group nearest to him to come over and talk with him. He began to ask all kinds of personal questions and acted as if he were questioning a "suspect." The rest of us sat waiting with tension mounting.

thing, then moved on.

"Cop," muttered three or four voices.

The off-duty cop ordered a drink and

"Sit still!" the older worker told him.

Editor:

to suggest as appropriate for a

cartoon on peaceful coexistence.

ure of Moneybags is backing

face, his right palm extended

# After 23 Weeks, Southern Strikers Win

own.

THE MILITANT

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The oldest worker in the group whom I've known ever since I went to work in the auto assembly plant, moved next to me at the bar and pressed his brown arm next to my white one.

"You see," he said, "the color is different; yet you and I can be good friends. Why shouldn't it be that way with everyone?"

At this moment a new customer walked into the bar. He was at least half drunk. On his way to the other end of the bar he paused as if he were going to say some-

"he's got a gun and he'll use it."

"I don't care. He's got no right to do that, we're not bothering anyone."

At this point the bartender intervened: "It's all right officer. All these people are

my friends." "Are you sure?" the cop asked suspiciously.

"Yes, they're all good people. Come on and have a drink."

The cop hesitated drunkenly and then turned back to his place at the bar. A few minutes later I passed by him on

ber ballot. the way to the rest room and said, "Why are you bothering us? We're just having a few beers on the way home from work."

"Beat it!" said the off-duty cop in a thick voice.

# Notes from the News

"WHICH IS BIGGER - Chevrolet's shop rule No. 30 or the U.S. Constitution" asks Local 262 of The United Auto Workers. The Local is fighting the two-week layoff penalty against Al Millstein, editor of the Local paper, The Forgeman, who wrote an article exposing the high number of accidents resulting from speed-up in the bumper shop. Management suspended him without filing specific charges. "If the editor can be penalized for exposing a safety hazard in the plant, any member, any committeeman or officer can likewise be punished or fired for speaking out verbally in print," the statement said, charging a violation of freedom of the press.

SMITH ACT VICTIMS still get harsh treatment in spite of the "new look" in international politics. Max Weiss is being held on \$50,000 bail pending a hearing on his extradition to Chicago. Jacob Mindel, 74-year-old victim, is still in jail at Danbury, Conn. Although he is suffering from a serious heart ailment and is eligible for parole his case is still under consideration. Pleas for his release have come from many sources, including Bertrand Russell, noted British philosopher. Sylvia

# **Their Morals and Ours** By LEON TROTSKY

All the "moralistic" arguments of anti-Marxists - from the hoary charge that Lenin and the Bolsheviks were "amoral" to the current accusation that the guiding Marxist maxim is that "the end justifies the means" - are answered in this classic work.

25 cents 64 pages Order from PIONEER PUBLISHERS 116 University Place New York 3, N. Y. Stein, wife of Sidney Stein in Federal Detention House in New York City, has asked the Federal Prison Bureau to allow him to see his father who Stein, wife of Sidney Stein in Federal Detention is 81 years old and ill. When Stein's mother died he wasn't allowed to attend her funeral.

A CATHOLIC WORKER salesman won a reversal by the New York Court of Appeals from a lower-court conviction for selling literature on the streets without a license. He was defended by an American Civil Liberties Union lawyer.

NEGRO FLIERS are available for air line emalso want to be home at this ployment the Urban League has announced. The crucial moment. announcement, in effect, tests the seriousness of a "decision" made by the President's Committee on Government contracts to act against job disand decided to work. crimination by airlines, railways and steamship companies. The League has on file the names of 100 Negro fliers with broad flying experience, some with as much as 11,000 hours flying time.

"HOW BIG IS BIG BUSINESS?" asks columher answer in part: About half of the Western World's industrial output is produced by the United States - and almost one half of this, is corporations represent less than two-tenths of one it was my 31st birthday. percent of U.S. industrial enterprises, yet they rake in 66 percent of the net profits of all industrial companies. The giants are getting bigger all the time; GM is the biggest of them all with Standard Oil of New Jersey, Bell System, du ed." Pont and U.S. Steel following in that order.

FARM SURPLUSES are now at the \$5 billion mark, the Department of Agriculture has anto store it. Henry Wallace, who served as Secabroad.

### DRIVE FOR \$50 JOBLESS PAY CIO

YOUNGSTOWN, Sept. 28 - | to put the initiative measure on | a stock argument of the bosses the ballot. Ohio employers have swung into

action against the CIO's cam- PLAN SMEAR paign to raise unemployment com-The employers' committee is pensation to a decent minimum. raising a war chest in order to Recently the State Board of smear the CIO proposal. The

Elections announced that the CIO had secured enough signatures on its petition to place the the slush fund will come to \$2

jobless pay issue on the Novemmillion. The Big Business controlled press has already opened an of-The CIO measure would raise. fensive against the CIO's proates to \$50 a week for 39 weeks posal. For example, the lead edi-

from the present \$33 for 26 torial of the Sept. 18 Youngstown weeks. The labor organization Vindicator denounced the proposed obtained 130,000 signatures, with raise in jobless benefits as "fan-77,000 valid signatures required tastic." The editors - repeating

claim that the increase would encourage workers to loaf.

J. B.

In addition, they complain that the CIO is using the initiative provision of the Ohio Constitution as a tool in the interests of

The Vindicator, of course, is the order of the day. areful not to cite the real reason he employers oppose a hike of unemployment compensation rates to \$50. (This rate, by the way, is well below regular wages at union scales.) They fear that such a hike will serve as pressure on employers paying below unionscale wages. Furthermore, it gives the workers just a shade more security and would force the employers to pay a greater tax.

war. The bosses resort not only to their slush fund and newspapers in order to fight the measure but to the two major parties as well Democratic Governor Lausche has spoken out against the CIO measure. So has the Republican party.

The labor movement has no Department. party of its own through which campaign to carry the proposal. The blame for the handicap

to campaign for the proposal and mobilize the workers' votes on election day. This hampers its falls squarely on the leadership which has steadfastly opposed the building of a labor party and ment tied to Democratic and

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fancy this shows how anti-Comit actually strengthened the popular impression that Eisenhower alone was working to ease the war threat. Thus most anti-war sentiment in this country went by default to Eisenhower and is

Miss Taylor was manhandled, up here, there will be many opher clothes torn and she was portunities to question all city officials seeking re-election about called insulting names. The two white men who had their conduct in this affair.

# President's Illness Staggers GOP

patronage will also give them (Continued from page 1) in the world and weapon situa- dominance in the party over the Southern Senators. tion made the war drive again

Thus prospects, barring unforeseen political developments of Specifically this meant the major proportions, are for a ending of the Korean war, the Democratic Presidential and Con-

war in Indo-China, the begin- gressional victory in 1956. Labor ning of some sort of modus viv- leaders will once again have alendi with China and the Soviet leged friends in control of the Union. These things have all government. Labor bureaucrats been more or less accomplished will enter the White House by or begun in the three years Eis- the front door and once in a enhower has been in office and while get called by their first the public has generously, but

names by the "chief." mistakenly, credited him per-But the rank and file workers sonally for "keeping us out of will want more tangible benefits.

It is safe to predict that they The labor bureaucracy, mean- will not get anything more subwhile, has done everything in its stantial than they did from Trupower to strengthen this im- man — who counterbalanced his pression. Chained to the defense few concessions with frequent of the Truman administration's government strikebreaking. And record, the labor bureaucrats once the prosperity bubble bursts speak more belligerently on for- a Democratic Administration will eign policy than does the State quickly demonstrate its true class nature to a radicalized

While the labor officials may American working class. In an article discussing labor's munist they are and allows them political prospects in view of to charge that Eisenhower is Eisenhower's illness, the New being taken in by the Soviets, York Times of Sept. 26 says: "They (labor leaders) do not want to be in a position where Democratic leaders can say that labor has no place else to go. Yet that is almost the way it is." That is the way it is if the Republican Party is the only the principal factor in his "popalternative to the Democrats. But election of a Democratic administration and then four years.

Inside the Democratic Party of disillusionment with it may well convince the rank and file the leaders of the big city machines of the North and the that there is another place to go -that is into independent politlabor leaders are jubilant. The defeat they suffered at the hands ical action by forming a Labor

of the Southern Democrats over Party. policy in Congress appears to be now undone. The Southern wing, which prefers to control Congress, and thus the Democratic Party, but to have a Republican President with whom it can make deals, ran the 84th Congress so that the Democratic campaign in 1956 would lack the legislative record needed to beat Eisenhower.

ularity."

THEY SEE VICTORY

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children, with a sixth one due any hour, and you had the chance to make some extra money by working overtime? It's a tough decision either way. You want the extra money even main Brooklyn powerhouse of though your bones ache, but you the BMT subway. "I don't know what we'll do," the young widow said, "We had Felix Beechel, 32 years old, of \$100 in the bank that we were Brooklyn had to make this choice saving for a down payment on keeps the powerful union movea house. I can't stay in the No matter that it was also a apartment. Every time I look at Republican politicians. Sunday and he had worked all something I can see him there Saturday night. He needed that working.' The family and friends are America's

overtime money. So he went to the phone to call his wife, the chipping in to help the victims. nist Sylvia Porter in the New York Post. Here is last time he would ever call her. Two children, Philip, ten, and "I told him the baby was due William, seven, will stay with a any minute," Mrs. Beechel sob- friend. James, five, and Jo Ann, bed to reporters, "I pleaded with three, are staying with one of produced by about 500 corporations. These 500 him to come home. Besides that Mrs. Beechel's sisters. Patricia, 12. will stay to help her mother. "He tried to joke with me a After the funeral they will stay little," she added. "He said, with another sister.

'Look, it's a lot of money and Thus ends another working we sure can use it.' So he workclass tragedy. For the company, however, it is just another in-

Felix was a hard-working surance statistic. There are and family man. In his off hours he will be other Felix Beechels to fixed the apartment, building carry on the thankless struggle closets, putting in shelves, paint- for existence and maintain the nounced, and it costs about \$967,000 a day simply ing, to make the home neat and flow of profits and dividend paycomfortable. Now the family ments which must never stopretary of Agriculture under Roosevelt and helped was moving out entirely. Felix never that is until a Socialist institute the farm price support system, has called Beechel lost his life that day, order eliminates the desperate for a program of feeding the hungry, at home and Sept. 25, 1955 in a slide of 25 choices that lead to such grim tons of coal in a bunker in the tragedies.



By Robert Chester

What would you do if you were the father of five

plan is to dun each employer in a "minority" group (namely, the the state 75c, per employe. At working people.) that rate. the State CIO estimates,