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# **'Let People Vote on Whether** Nuclear Tests Shall Go On'

## **Danger of Radioactivity Held Great in Minnesota**

By Tom Leonard MINNEAPOLIS, June 6-The

Midwest is one of the most radioactive areas in the world as regards the presence of strontium-90, a cancer-producing chemical which is part of the fall-out fol- mum safe strontium-90 concenlowing nuclear-weapon tests in the U.S.A.

This fact was cited by a University of Minnesota scientist, Dr. William O. Caster, in an article in the local press, May 17, in which he alerted the people of the state to this menace. Caster is an assistant profes-

sor of physiology and is currently studying the biological effects

of radiation under Atomic-En-people all over the United ergy-Commission (AEC) and States; ultimately these and any Public-Health-service grants. such tests endanger the lives of

"About 1955," said Caster, "acmankind everywhere. cording to my calculations from "In the interests, therefore, of AEC figures, this area reached humanity-interests which tranabout 10 percent of the maxiscend those of state and nation -we petition that you end thermo-nuclear racial suicide." tration. In the next 10 or 15 years we will reach the maximum

value compatible with public health and welfare, even without further bomb testing."

blows from west to east, and the Midwest is the first area of reasonable rainfall you hit. The strontium is washed out of the atmosphere, gets in our soil and

**Report US Fallout** 

He went on to say that "After the Nevada bomb tests, the wind Of Strontium 90 **H**ighest in World

The United States has then gets in all foodstuffs and of Strontium 90 than any other higher known cumulative fallout

AFFECTS CHILDREN WORST Strontium is absorbed into the Holifield (D-Calif.), chairman of bone when consumed, and accordthe Joint Atomic subcommittee ing to Caster, can produce canand reported by Robert Allen cer in "about 30 years." He said in syndicated column, his that the menace is not "imme-June 10. diate" for the average member

A direct product of nuclear tests, Strontium 90, is absorbed bones four or five times faster and food. Like calcium, it forms deposits in the bone structure.

Several days later, during a to fatal cancer of the bone. In sufficient quantities it leads

With its accumulation measur-

class and by the tendency of the University students. They ran off cumulative fallout far higher the newly organized American D-



JOYCE COWLEY, Socialist Workers Party candidate for Mayor of New York.



NEW YORK, June 12 - Despite sweltering heat, over 500 New Yorkers gave their answer to Sen. Eastland groupment question; the struggle of the unions. Conservatism gro struggle on the working come from a group of Minnesota have the fearful distinction of tonight by turning out for the first public meeting of

### **Socialist Workers Nominee Calls for Nationwide Ballot**

JUNE 13 - Joyce Cowley, Socialist Workers Party candidate for mayor of New York, today demanded that the American people be given the right to decide by referendum vote whether nuclear tests are to be continued or stopped. The text of Joyce Cowley's . statement follows:

"I call for a national referendum in which the people of America will decide whether the U.S. government shall continue or stop nuclear - weapon tests.

"These tests endanger the lives and health of future generations as well as our own, and all of us in the country today should have a voice in deciding the question.

"Irresponsible politicians who still attempt, in the face of ominous evidence and mounting public protest to minimize the danger of the tests, should not have the power to gamble with the world's future.

"Two thousand leading U.S. scientists, who signed a petition demanding an immediate end of the tests, have declared that 'each over the world.'

## SWP Convention Discusses Socialist Regroupment Tasks

By Murry Weiss

tions. NEW YORK, June 9-The 17th National Convention of the So-cialist Workers (Party concluded the said, "has been precipi-"The ferment in radical circialist Workers (Party concluded tated by the world crisis of Stahere today after a three-day linism which has produced reper- tancy are further fed by the conmeeting which focused its main cussions in American politics tradictions of the open-shop attention on the regroupment through the crisis within the CP." South which undermines job sesituation in the radical movement.

The convention vigorously de-bated and discussed a full agenda of problems: the international situation (with particular atten-tion of the Soviet orbit); the re-corroupment question: the struggle for Negro equality; prospects of still predominates within ororgani

| world and U.S. objective condi-| ing; these are all symptoms of trend.

"These sub-currents of mili-Describing the extent of the curity and earning power of the the public of this danger to chil- THREE CITIES ferment in the ranks of the CP workers outside the South. Run-

of the population but warned: "Growing children, however, abthan adults."

press interview, he again warned dren. He intimated that one of

### country in the world, according to an Atomic Energy Commission report submitted to Rep.

zation in the U.S.; the socialist ganization and finances; and the tions." situation in the world socialist movement. In addition, the delegates devoted their evenings to the work of commissions and working class: panels on the trade unions, civil liberties, youth, and socialist literature.

### CONDITIONS IN U.S.

Farrell Dobbs, National Sec- ing speedup, leading quite often retary of the SWP, gave the to wildcat strikes; dissatisfaction ized by the labor-democratic coamain Political Report to the con- with the general bureaucratic lition still prevail generally," he vention, devoted primarily to the policies as revealed through the added. regroupment process. In the opposition to the dues increases, course of his report and summary the running of rank-and-file Dobbs placed the struggle for a slates against machine candiregroupment of revolutionary so- dates and the overflow attendcialist forces in the context of ance at the UIAW caucus meet-

ganized labor and the whole radical movement remains generally press and publications, party or- isolated from the mass organiza-

Dobbs carefully cited the the mass movement." symptoms of growing restiveness In assessing these develop-

and discontent of the American ments, the reporter said: "But these prospects, gratifying "Apprehension over creeping though they are, must not be unemployment, underlined by the overestimated; they do not yet growing support to the 30-40 designify the beginning of a mass mand; resistance to the man-kill- labor upsurge." The policies of the labor bureaucracy, "symbol-

Dobbs analyzed the regroupment process as an integral part of the struggle to imbue the la-(Continued from page 2)

civil rights movement to upset a crude petition on a "ditte the national political equilibrium. All these manifestations indicate a growing political potential for to President Eisenhower and Senthe formation of a left wing in ators Humphrey and Thye, both of Minnesota, the petition reads as follows:

"Gentlemen:

west is the globe's top radioactive the Pacific.

that of our children, and that of dangerous Strontium level.

Eastland is powerless to cite, procedure prescribed by the re-

than the average. Albuquerque, Forum for Socialist Education. racists and their Big-Business additional amount of radia chine with the object of gather-N. M., leads with 34.9 mil- Dedicated to free and un-sponsors, civil-rights attorney tion causes damage to the ing 10,000 signatures. Adoressed licuries. Salt Lake City, Utah trammeled discussion of all so- Conrad Lynn hailed formation of health of human beings all has 34.6, and Grand Junction, cialist viewpoints, the American the American Forum as Colo., has 27.7 millicuries. The Forum has drawn heavy fire warning to the powers that be heavy dosage in these three from the witch-hunters for its that they are going to have a

areas is attributed, first, to their insistence on the right of Com- more difficult time of it." proximity to the Nevada nuclear munist Party members, as well In the light of recent disclo- testing site and, second, to their as members of all other radical Norman Thomas stated his op-

sures made by a University of location in relation to the hydro- tendencies, to participate. Minnesota scientist that the Mid- gen testing site at Eniwetok in

fallout area, we unge you, in the In one breath the compilers interests of our personal safety of the report insist that these that it "is very much interested Thomas argued, "to include ever and that of the generations to figures indicate no peril for come, to take every measure in these particular areas or the your power to bring about the country as a whole. But in the immediate and permanent end of next breath they concede that gestion" of Senator Butler (Rthermo-nuclear testing. The tests no scientific conclusion has been in Nevada endanger our health, reached on just what is the

from the Justice Department forum body. "This is no time," in the possible Communist con- a few Communists. . . . To put trol" of the organization. This Communists on your board concame as a reply to the "sug- fuses public thinking." GREETING FROM BRITAIN Md.) that the Justice Depart-

A letter to the meeting from

**Wohlforth Reports** 

**On Youth Interest** 

**In Forum Project** 

Speaking as the first youth

representative on the Na-

tional Committee of the

American Forum, Tim Wchl-

forth said tonight: "Through-

put the country I-found a real

interest in the regroupment

discussion. The radical youth

feel that a lot has changed

and they want to know how

they can get together in a

militant socialist youth move-

ment. And new elements are

being attracted by the new

sign of life in the radical

movement. These discussion

"I attended a very success-

Berkley where all tendencies

From the British Socialist ment initiate action to determine if the American Forum falls letter of greetings which under the scope of the Commundeclared, "Now more than even ist Control Act. (Continued on page 3)

NO RETREAT Vigorous applause greeted A.

J. Muste, chairman of the American Forum, as he opened tonight's meeting by reiterating that the organization would not retreat before the "undemocratic that the American Civil Liberties Local 600 — for aiding the Union had informed him that if anti-union efforts of the East-he is hailed before a Congressional committee, the ACLU "will regard it as a duty and an

honor to provide for my The meeting heard addresses on the purpose of the American Forum by three of its national committee members and then went on to questions from the floor addressed to other New York members of the national committee present on the platform.

meetings provide a wonderful The noted educator, Dr. opportunity for these newly-Stringfellow Barr, told the interested people to consider meeting that although he was a the differing views as they non-socialist he wanted to help are presented on one platbuild the American Forum beform. cause "I am sick of the political apathy in a country that makes fal meeting of the Indeit dangerous to even ask quespendent Socialist Forum in tions, no less search for were represented and most of

Dorothy Day, editor of the those at the meeting were young people. I also found a Catholic Worker stated that the members of the American tremendous interest in the American Forum itself, Forum, are by and large agreed on the kind of a society we especially among Socialist need. "Our problem," she con-Party youth. American Youth tinued, "Is how to achieve that are beginning to move toward society. These are the great the radical movement and matters for our discussion." the regroupment discussion is In a slashing attack on the really aiding this process."

"They warned that children for twenty generations to come will be born position to the Eastland attack physically and mentally Coinciding with tonight's on the American Forum and set defective. This is the opinmeeting was an announcement forth his own opposition to the ion of scientists with a close working knowledge of the effects of radiation.

> "The politicians in Washington. in a shameful effort to defend the tests, have questioned the competence Forum movement came a warm and attacked the integrity of these world - famous scientists. Secretary of Defense Wilson dismissed their warnings with a joke about the greater danger of smoking cigarettes. The safety of all of us, and the future of humanity itself can be jeopardized by the arbitrary decision of such men.

"The Soviet Union has already expressed willingness to come to an agreement with the United States to end nuclear tests. "In a recent Gallup poll 63% of the American people questioned said they thought this country and the USSR should come to such an agreement.

"This is an indication of how the American people feel about the matter, and I am confident that in a national referendum they will vote against all 'calculated risks' (as the Washington politicians and brass hats themselves call the tests) which lead to catastrophe.

"I will make the democratic right of the American people to decide the question of further nuclearweapon tests a main issue in my campaign."

## **Reuther to Punish for Using Legal Right**

DETROIT-In a ten-page ad- Board and the Public Review questions under protection af- Eastland is powerless to cite procedure prescribe ministrative letter sent June 5 Board, and/or the Convention in forded by the Fifth Amendment. these UAW members for con- cent Reuther edict. to all United Auto Workers' lo- order to insure compliance with Watts and Orr likewise refused tempt of Congress and must sub-International President, outlined CIO Ethical Practices Codes." actions to be taken against any official of the union who utilizes U.S. Constitution in defending which held that use of the Fifth himself and the union against Amendment did not imply guilt the anti-labor investigations now in any way.

being conducted by Senate committees in Washington.

Reuther's administrative order provides: (1) the trial procedure of provocative "Communist hearof the UAW constitution shall ings" conducted over the past not apply in such cases; (2) instead, a hearing shall be conducted by the local union execu-

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Facts. tive committee; (3) if the officer brought before the executive committee cannot prove his innocence, he shall be removed from

the letter and the spirit of the to cooperate with the committee, mit any evidence of wrong doing ministrative order, Carl Stellato and evil" attack of the witchcal unions, Walter Reuther, UAW UAW Constitution and the AFL- but did not utilize the protection against them in open court, had denounced Paul Boatin — a hunters. Muste also announced Reuther's administrative order, non-cooperative witnesses had punishing for use of the Fifth the aid and assistance of Carl the protection guaranteed by the Amendment, came three days aft- Stellato, Local 600 president, at er a U.S. Supreme Court decision | the hearings. Another group of UAW mem-

EASTLAND HEARINGS

Reuther's order is the direct and immediate result of a series several weeks in Washington by the Senate Internal Security Committee headed by Eastland

their plants. All invoked the from Mississippi. On May 14 the Fifth Amendment rather than Eastland committee called betestify for Eastland's benefit. A fore it Paul Boatin, Walter Dorfourth, unidentified, {UAW; memosh, and John Orr. All are ofber appeared before the commitficials of UAW Ford Local 600. tee at these hearings as a co-John Orr, is vice-president of operative witness. the local. Also brought before the

committee was Jimmy Watts, MORE SUBPENAED editor of the local's paper, Ford

On May 28 the Eastland committee again turned its attention

Boatin was a sympathetic wit- to UAW Ford Local 600. Three ness for the Eastland Committee. more members from that local He confessed past membership were subpensed to appear. They office; (4) action of the local in the Communist party and were Mack Cinzori, James M. executive board is subject to a listed the names of others who Simmons, and Harry N. Philo. vote of the membership of the were in the party with him. All are minor officials of the lolocal; (5) any action by the lo- Walter Dorosh refused to co- cal, and all refused to cooperate, cal union is "subject to review operate with the committee in claiming protection under the by the International Executive any way, refusing to answer Fifth Amendment.

of the Fifth Amendment. These where they have an opportunity recent convert to Reuther in to confront their accusers. REUTHER TAKES OVER bers were ordered to appear be-

Committee on May 23. They were administrative ruling was the stitution. This statement by Stel-Edith Van Horn, from UAW public announcement, June 7, by lato was subsequently read into Dodge Local 3, Max Trachtenberg, the UAW president of DeSoto the record of the Eastland Comfrom UAW DeSoto Local 227, and Local 227 that Max Trachtenberg mittee hearings by committee Hyman Fireman from UAW lo- had been removed as union stew- counsel Robert Morris. Morris cal 160. Miss Van Horn and ard in the trim division of the commented for the record, "This Trachtenberg are elected mem- DeSoto plant. This action was is an extraordinary position for bers of the union committee in taken without benefit even of the Mr. Stellato to take.

REUTHER

land Committee. In a signed Reuther now assumes the per- enitorial in Ford Facts, Steirato secution of these UAW members also defended the democratic where Eastland is forced to leave rights guaranteed by the first defense." fore the Senate Internal Security off. The first result of Reuther's ten amenaments of the U.S. Con-

Before Reuther issued his ad-

inve-point procedure laid down by Keuther. Stellato adoed in his announcement of compliance, however, that the gemocratic practice of assuming a man is in-

exactly contrary to what Reuther has demanded.

STELLATO'S PROCEDURE

Since receipt of Reuther's latest order in the matter Steiato has announced that all members of UAW Ford Local buy who sought protection under the Fifth Amenament will be brought before the local executive board for a hearing in accordance with the

nocent until proven guilty will govern all hearings of UAW Local 600 executive board. This is

answers."

### THE MILITANT

Monday, June 17, 1957

## Is Gates Handing The CP to Foster?

### By Harry Ring

The New York State Communist Party - until rethe group led by William Z. Fos-

know.'

DW ALSO AT FAULT

He then warns International

Affairs that such reporting can

only tend to shake the confi-

dence of your readers in the

ability of your journal to give

As managing editor of the

Daily Worker, Max could well

heed his own sound advice. While

sound political estimates."

The character of this interna-

ter. This new gain will be used spective of stifling all discussion by Foster and his associates to or criticism of the Kremlin bufurther their aim of re-Staliniz- reaucracy coincides with an international drive to re-monolithing the party. ize the Communist parties, as tes-

Foster's newest victory came when on June 7, the N.Y. State tified to by the French, Italian, British and Canadian conven-Committee announced the election tions. of Benjamin Davis as state chairman, George Blake Charney as tional campaign is made clear in state secretary and William Weinstone as educational director. Davis is Foster's chief lieuporter and Weinstone is a Dennis

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man. This "equal" three-way split of key posts, for all practical purhamstrung. Yet the decision flows from the insistence of the Gatesites at the recent state convention, where they had a maiority, that all three tendencies be equally represented on the newly-elected state committee. The strategy was motivated by the truly utopian conception that such organizational concessions

to Foster would bring "unity" to the factionally-torn party.

### FOSTERITES TAKE OVER

That such strategy can only serve to hand control to the Fosterites was demonstrated at the recent Kings County convention in New York. There, after a hassle on the issue of personnel for the new joint leadership, the such publications as Internationlocal Foster people simply elected al Affairs have not hesitated to their own county leadership. This brushing aside of the agreedupon three-way leadership divistate committee where the Fos- guilty of a variation of the same That is the first task posed. ter-Dennis combination refused defect. Despite an ample supply to act in the matter.

The increasing Fosterite control of the party apparatus has been paralleled, and even aided, by a steady exodus of members from the party in the post-convention period. The membership loss has been accompanied by a continuing decline in the circulaincreasing lack of ability to raise funds to keep it going. At the two-third mark in the \$100.000 than \$16,000 has been contributed. any-either inside or outside the Labor Party, and a bold program These heavy losses spell out party.

the inability of any section of the

## **A Political Document from Hungary**

leadership — is now being handed on a silver platter to 29,000 words long. It is a serious attempt at a theoretical ap- foundation for their criticism. Leninist answers. . . praisal of the Oct. 24 Hungarian revolution from a Marxist- For instance, on what basis Leninist point of view.

Throughout the courtesy of Francois Fejto, a writer for France- French press sound forth Observateur, and author of a book on the Hungarian revolution, we against Soviet aggression, while obtained the loan of a copy of the Hungarian document. The it sends such touching greetings tion would not necessarily get the Twenties was not ripe for translation from the Hungarian of the excerpts below are by to the fighter-bombers appear- its start in an advanced coun- the realization of Socialism. balls are not in our line. We Robert Dixon. While some of them duplicate excerpts that ap- ing over defenseless Egyptian peared in France Observateur, other portions appear in transla- cities? tion for the first time. - Editor. ... Soviet communism, mainly

... It is difficult to predict corridors of the paralyzed party oppositions within the party. Alan Max's open letter of pro- what will ensue from the shoot- centers. The Opposition "pretest in the June 4 Daily Worker ing-up of Budapest, the abduc- pared" the revolution, but - not demonstrate in any positive tenant, Charney is a Gates sup- against the report on the CP con- tion of Imre Nagy, the latest with the exception of a few way the truth of their asservention in the March issue of actions of the Kadarite counter- members - perhaps no one was tions, because they could not International Affairs, the Eng- revolution. But one thing is more surprised than the Op- validate their conceptions, and lish-language magazine published clear: October 1956 exposed position itself. On the 23rd of Stalin settled accounts with in Moscow. Taking issue with its with startling suddenness, more October they paraded proudly them in short order. Opposiposes, leaves the Gates forces assertion that "the convention than anything hitherto, the and triumphantly down the tional communists abroad also consisted of a rejection of 'revi- complete moral and ideological streets, but in the evening they had no way of backing up their sionist' attempts to derail the bankruptcy of the Soviet-com- could only look on with open- continued struggles against party," Max points out that a munist world movement. The mouthed impotence as suddenly Moscow with arguments based number of CP organs abroad Hungarian October finally laid onrushing history set out on unhave sung this same tune and he bare what the Russian revolu- foreseeable paths. The people comments sarcastically, "How tion of 40 years ago had acted independently of the Op. impotent fury at the Stalinist these publications happen to car- degenerated to. That is why our position, for the Opposition had system - went over to bourgeois ry such similar reports, I do not revolution can have world-his- in essence always been inde-

torical significance, but only if pendent of the people. . . Acthe adherents of socialism cording to some hospital statis- frame-up trials: "whoever turns everywhere come to grips with tics, young workers furnished against us is selling out to the

the real lessons of the Hun-80-90% of the wounded, the university students [mass base] garian October. As against Stalinist terrorof CP Opposition] counting for the criticisms of the Yugoslav communism and the Social- about 3-5%. These figures show CP and of Togliatti, finding be carried through, it would proletarians of several other also needed Stalin.

more convincingly than any both inadequate as an explanademocracy cuddling up to capitalism, new roads are projected argument what responsibility tion of Stalinism. - Tr.] rests on the Opposition for in the international labor movement. Hungarian socialists can letting slip the opportunity for take on a role in hammering independent and serious organ-

the First

World

out such a new orientation ization. which the socialists of no other ... The main question, in any make political estimates with a nation are in a position to do. case, involves the Soviet Union. fine disregard for facts, the Dai-To do this, however, it is neces-Not simply because Soviet guns ly Worker, ever since it threw in sary - among other things sion was later protested to the the towel on Hungary, has been to clear up our own history.

> **OPPOSITION PARALYZED** of facts, the Daily Worker edi-

tors have never presented any found [the CP opposition] not has been a function of the hand, quoted other writings of political conclusions that might bring them into further collision on the barricades, but in the Soviet Union. . .

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bor movement with the program

for a socialist reorganization of

American society. To carry out

now preoccupying the radical

workers, he said, are a necessary

prelude to unifying all revolu-

tionary socialists in a single par-

obbs declared. 'We are entirely

He outlined the view that such

socialist goal, must be "firm in

revolutionary principles; inter-

with Foster. This, of course, is all right with Foster. He is determined, regardless of cost or consequence, that the party must be reduced to its tion of the Daily Worker and an previous state of blind apologist for the Moscow bureaucrats. Such a goal can not be realized by a process of free discussion. of workers' democracy, independfund drive for the paper, less And that's why he doesn't want ent political action through a

Foster's attitude toward disparty leadership to cope with the cussion is perhaps most clearly such a program we must have a political crisis which wracks the revealed by his attitude toward party. The intensive discussions organization. Unanimous state- the American Forum for Socialments by the party leadership ist Education. Lack of Fosterite have proclaimed that the nation- participation in the American al convention hammered out a Forum has made it an open sedraft resolution that provided the cret throughout the radical move- ty. "We do not make a fetish of party with a "new look" and the ment that he wants no part of it. the organizational question."

worked out in the socialist pro-

KEY IS IN THE UNIONS

Citing the situation in the bu-P. Cannon, a veteran of the revreaucracy-ridden American labor olutionary socialist movement in the United States. Cannon evalu- movement, Cannon declared that magnificent display of solidarated the current situation and in his opinion the pivotal point the work and decisions of the of the socialist revolution in convention from the historical America would be a democratic perspective of an earlier re- revolution within the unions. groupment crisis of American When the American workers rise radicalism—the one which broke to take back their rights in the their Stalicist locitor from the a phrase which drew from cameras in Budapest, accused of

We publish below excerpts from a mimeographed document | The capitalist press and bour-| both Trotskyism and Stalinism | position want? To bring back | a revolution and the possibility signed "Hungaricus," dated December 1956. It was written by a geois science have said and are were Leninism; the actual out- the capitalists and landowners? of Socialism, - i.e., of the orperson who, in the days prior to the October 1956 revolution, saying many true things about growths of the contradictions in Not even Stalin dared to say ganization of production on a belonged to the opposition (anti-Rakosi, anti-Geroe wing) of the the Soviet Union. It would be Lenin's life-work, the separat- this, at least not as long as Socialist basis. He writes in his Hungarian Communist party. Representative excerpts from the well, if we examined these writ- ing out of the two extremes. To they were still discussing. The usual grade-school teacher mandocument were first published in the Jan. 31 issue of the French ings without prejudice. But the question of whether or not Opposition was on the right ner, but he does answer the socialist weekly, France Observateur, which informed its readers capitalist criticism cannot be it was possible to build social-track here. A transitional so-question correctly. Several that the document "was circulating at the present time among objective, and furthermore there ism in Russia, Trotsky's answer ciety had to be created, until months later he was saying the cently the major stronghold of the Gates wing of the CP intellectual circles in Budapest." The entire document is about is often lacking any moral was no, Stalin's yes; both were the revolution conquered else- exact opposite, (how. and why.

#### LENIN'S FORMULA with what moral right can the

after Lenin's death, always had

The Russian Oppositionists could

on practice. Many Opposition-

ists — in their bitterness and

positions. Stalin could say, point-

ing to these latter, and to the

bourgeoisie.'

TWO VARIANTS

It was a genial insight (on WHAT STALIN WROTE Lenin's part), that the revolu-

even more easily than in an ad- wrote in Problems of Leninism. vanced country, since it solves As he was later forced to admit sion, republic, etc.). . . . We Problems of Leninism on the Russia we are not dealing with in one country, especially a just some "one country" not peasant country: "But the overthrow of capitaleven with just some one backward country, but - consider- ist power and the establishment immediate application of Soing the majority of the popula- of the proletarian power in one cialism cannot express the intention - with a gigantic peasant country does not mean the assur- tions of a peasant people, there empire.

. . . One of Stalin's favorite socialism. The main task of So- the building of a system of lies points in the repeated struggles cialism - the organization of to conceal a system based on with the Opposition was the one production on a Socialist basis force. In such a situation a that "what need was there" for the October revolution, if not problem be solved, can the teractions developed. For Stalin to build socialism?. . . This ultimate victory of Socialism be to prevail over the Opposition, [Hungaricus then takes up argument is nothing more than achieved in one country, without the support of the apparatus a debater's trick. October had to the combined efforts of the was required. But the apparatus have been a crime to let slip leading countries? No, it cannot. a historical opportunity waiting For the overthrow of the alongside Stalin out of a spirit till the creation of conditions bourgeoisie the efforts of one of self-defense, as it received for Socialism might bring about country are enough - this is nothing but criticism from the workers - peasants power. . . . shown in the history of our Opposition. The Opposition on Stalin later maintained that if revolution. For the ultimate its part had to aim its fire at they did not build Socialism, victory of Socialism, for the or- the apparatus, already organized then there would be capitalism, ganization of production on a by Stalin in Lenin's lifetime, the proponents of both pos- restoration. He chided Zinoviev, Socialist basis, the efforts of one as the main obstacle to debate saying he wanted the return of country, especially such a and to party democracy — to the possibility of Socialism in Lenin and not without justifica- capitalism. He picked up Lenin's peasant country as Russia, are the vindication of the Opposi-Hungary back for a long time tion. Lenin's last writings tended thesis that "small-scale produc- not sufficient, for that the ef- tion. The Opposition accused to come, but because our whole to support the Opposition and tion gives birth to capitalism forts of the proletarians of more the apparatus of degeneration,

where, or the conditions were we will come back to later) and ready for Socialism internally. won the victory for his posi-

tion. What would have happened if Trotsky's, or later Bukharin's, . . . Summarizing: Russia of point of view had come out on We don't know, crystal top? try — that was proved by his- This Lenin hinted at in his last do know what were the contory. But the revolution and writings, the Opposition said sequences of Stalin's coming out the victory of Socialism are two it openly and clearly. Let us on top: misery, terror, a torrent different. things. A proletarian- leave as a final proof, more of lies, all (and a great deal led revolution can conquer in a accurately, as an amusing illus- more) that was sketched by backward country also, as Lenin tration, the fact that that was Khrushchev with such paslater recognized, can conquer also Stalin's opinion in '24. So he sionate ardor at the 20th Con-

gress. . . . . . The handful of communthe long overdue tasks of the under prodding from Zinoviev, ists had two ways open to them bourgeois revolution (land-divi- he wrote the following in to maintain themselves in the sea of the (peasant) people: must add that in the case of possibility of building Socialism either to express the aims of the people or by means of a repressive apparatus to act as

a brake on the people. As the ing of the complete victory of remains no other recourse than - is still ahead. But can this whole tissue of complicated in-

The apparatus also advanced countries are needed." the apparatus clung all the more Stalin here properly separates passionately to Stalin.

(To be continued)

## WP National Convention British Electrical Union **Hits Terror in Hungary**

### By Peter Fryer

LONDON - The event of the week in Britain has been the ists' "support" for such aspects and trial by the Kadar adminisity for the Hungarian workers they think they can make use of. rorist"-the first, it seems, who seen at the annual conference of the Electrical Trades Union.

Not for many years have the ian struggle, and rightly demembers of this union given such scribed it as a "workers' revolu-leaders sensed that the mood of written more in embarrassment,

for the past half-year-was its) The day after the ETU deciabsolutely principled stand, with sion was reported, the Daily Telno concessions to the imperial- egraph reported the discovery of the Hungarian struggle as tration of a real, live "White Ter-These electricians saw the work- has been discovered by the reing-class nature of the Hungar- born AVH.

This is an old man of 70, now on trial before the television the delegates was to defy them, dismay and sorrow than in an- 1919. Where this "White Ternot in 1956, mark you, but in been frequently advanced by ref- tried before for his crimes is a mystery; and it is a curious commentary on Kadar's propaganda tion camps of Hungary are full machine that it is forced to add some color to its charges about raking up a real White Terrorist from the 40-year-old past. These things make the ETU decision all the more welcome. It is a message that will sooner or later reach the ears of the men of Csepel and Dunapentele and give them comfort and new courage to withstand the orgy of "treason" trials that is now sweeping Hungary, including poor unhappy Magyarovar, the scene of last October's worst massacre on the part of the Stalinist police, and now delivered over to the AVH for new and dreadful acts of revenge.

gro question, following the con-| Rights, should be concretely vention.

gram for the democratic rule of

work-packed, three-day conven- the workers in the U.S. tion, was the concluding speech

A highlight of the enthusiastic,

given by SWP chairman James

. . . The exploding revolution internal development for 12 years Trotsky; Stalin, on the other daily." All this is falsification and Lenin. If we view it theoretically, dogmatism. What did the Op- the possibility of the victory of

After [Lenin's] death, possibilities were open for choice, both theoretically and practically. Let us be 'objective: shot up Budapest, and thus set sibilities (variants) quoted from

basis for moving forward. But the decline and isolation grow more precipitous. Why?

#### SILENCE ON ISSUES

For the sake of illusory "unity" cided not to pursue its differences with the Fosterites. This course serves to stifle programmatic discussion throughout the A PRIME NECESSITY ranks. Thus the Gatesites agreed done" the Kremlin's crushing of ican radical movement today. the Hungary revolution, thereby | Who would argue that it is any and at the same time choking Party? Even if convinced of the off the possibility of any further correctness of its own particuinternal discussion of this vital

issue. Since the national convention, influence today's socialist-minded during the last year in particuwhich resolved none of the problems confronting the party, the ready to put its views to the test circulation, publication and sale Gates wing of the leadership have of confrontation with all those shouted themselves hoarse about contending with it. And for the the need to "get down to work to members of the CP there is a bring our program to the people" special urgency to the discussion ning of a new circle of friends and have vainly appealed for an of conflicting views for which end to "factionalism" in the par- the American Forum is now proty. The logical climax to the viding a vehicle. Failure to clari-"anti-faction" campaign came fy and to arrive at correct posi- ing the discussion with many exwith the reported declaration by tions on precisely the great is- amples from local party experia prominent Gatesite that the sues now under debate through- ence that showed the new, if lim-Gates group itself was responsi- out the radical movement is what ited, opportunities that the parble for the present factional situation in New York.

Meanwhile, it becomes increas- thoroughgoing, democratic disingly apparent that Foster's per- cussion can provide the way out. its response to the proposal that

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ject to the American Forum or to of the party that will emerge CP participation in it? Com- from the regroupment process." posed of every shading of socialist thought, its sole function is a party, in order to succeed in its with Foster, the Gates faction de- well-expressed in its recent statement, "A time for questions-A search for socialist answers."

But on

Such a discussion is the num further compromising the party less the need of the Communist the growing activity of the party lar viewpoint, no section of the radical movement can expect to an ascending curve of results,

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what reasonable

grounds can the Fosterites ob- flexible as to the ultimate form

national in revolutionary outlook; and, combine full internal democracy with unity in action.' to "neither condemn nor con- ber one need of the entire Amer- ORGANIZATION REPORT The Organization Secretary of the SWP. Tom Kerry, reported

in all fields. His report was a masterful presentation of the facts and statistics which showed WORKERS' DEMOCRACY workers and youth unless it is lar, in the field of socialist press of books and pamphlets by socialist publishing houses, re-

cruits to the party, and the winand sympathizers.

The delegates responded durclarification and organizational unification. led the members of the CP into ty was now straining its utmost their present impasse. Only a to seize upon. The convention was particularly enthusiastic in wherever possible, branches

broaden their activity to promote revolutionary socialist participation in elections.

perialist "democracy" have been Under the point of the interallowed to misuse this revulsion diers" among the delegates. national situation, the convenlong enough, he said. It is time tion approved the main line of a number of resolutions prepared that socialists vigorously carried by the outgoing National Comthe message of genuine demomittee. Among these was the rescracy-the democracy of the selfliberating movement of the workolution, "The New Stage in the Russian Revolution," adopted by ing class-to the American peothe National Committee meeting ple.

in April 1956; the resolution on He urged the party to spell out in detail its concept of workers "The Hungarian Revolution and the Crisis of Stalinism," adopted democracy-in program and in life. And the first place where a by the NC meeting January 1957; and the "Crisis in the Middle socialist conception of democracy East," also adopted by the NiC should be practiced, Cannon contended, is in the workers' revoluin January. tionary party itself. In this con-

DISCUSSION OPENED nection he pointed to the experi-The convention approved the ence of the convention as a demline of the National Committee onstration of workers' democracy resolution on regroupment. It in full-blooded, living form, in also approved the resolution on the spirit as well as the letter. "The Class Strüggle Road to Ne- Cannon thought that workers' degro Equality." It was decided that mocracy, which would be a reva full discussion, both literary olutionary extension and expanand in the branches, would be sion of the democratic safeopened on all aspects of the Ne- guards guaranteed by the Bill of

sarv steps to ensure these rights. and prevent any usurping clique **Russian** Revolution. of fat-salaried officials from re-

Cannon noted that the revolugaining power, the anti-capitalist tionary regroupment in 1917-19. which gained its immetus and inmore than half accomplished. sniration from the Russian Rev-The dynamic power of the fully olution, brought together in the democratized mass organizations voung Communist Party of the of the industrial workers in the U.S. elements from all the or-U.S. could never be matched by ganized redical tendencies-the the tiny group of billionaire mo-Socialist Party, the IWW and even the Socialist Labor Party. single day without the aid of a which would have deleted the fol-He pointed out that Louis C. labor bureaucracy. Fraina, one of the most influen-

The convention ended on a note tial figures in the early years of of high enthusiasm. But it was the American Communist movenot the enthusiasm of the widement, began his socialist activieyed, unrealistic, day-dreaming ties in the sectarian ISLP. variety. It was youthful enthu-

siasm; but not of youth untempered by experience in the class 'As in 1917-19, Cannon said, the struggle. The age-level of the current regroupment will gather together the active revolutionists dropped significantly for the first who have demonstrated their detime since the beginning of the termination to stand up to all cold war. But the delegates were the pressures of the imperialist all either battle-tested veterans ruling class. These forces will of a decade's struggle against the find their way to programmatic witch-hunt reaction of American

imperialism, or new fighters gates then went on to pass by a gained in the very heat of that Cannon commended the convendifficult struggle. tion for its decision to open a Many delegates had records in campaign of propaganda and ed- the class struggle dating back to ucation on the vital question of the IWW, the pre-World-War-I workers' democracy. He noted socialist movement, the early

the widespread revulsion among years of American Communism, workers of all political beliefs the foundation of the American to the horrors of the Stalinist po- Trotskyist movement, the stormy lice dictatorship in the Soviet class battles of the Thirties, the Union and Eastern Europe. The Second World War, the post-war freely elected by the Hungarians. purveyors of capitalist and im- strike wave and the cold war.

There were no "summer sol

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and they did everything they ger, claiming that this view was rorist" was under Rakosi's rule could to cushion the blow—even merely "a proposition that has is a mystery; why he was never revolution in this country will be to the extent of holding the discussion on Hungary in private ugees." session, which was as unprecedented as it was unexpected. But rank-and-file Communist at this moment of Communists

revolution in Hungary."

SCORE BRUTAL ATTACK

Party members were among the and other workers, many of them "White Terror" last October by delegates who by 174 votes to delegates to workers' councils, nopolists, who couldn't rule for a 154 defeated an amendment who 'are being "re-educated" by Kadar's A. V. H. lowing words from a resolution:

It was appropriate that the Brit-"Conference welcomes the fi- ish electricians should take this nancial assistance and solidarity decision only a few days after a shown by the Executive Council report about conditions in these towards our Cypriot brothers but prisons, a quite circumstantial reis disturbed by the Executive port, had appeared in The Times. Council's attitude towards the According to reliable estimates, shooting down of the workers at it said, over 50,000 political pris-Poznan and its belated protests oners were being held in atroconvention delegates had indeed against the attempt by Russian cious conditions: troops to suppress the workers'

"Inhuman overcrowding seems to be the worst part of it. Rooms intended for 80 persons are now occupied by 200. Sanitary condi-As if this was not clear and tions are said to be indescribable, unequivocal enough, the deleit being impossible for the pris-

Well, the jails and concentra-

oners to keep themselves clean. large majority-on a show of They sleep crowded together on hands vote, the platform evidentstraw paillasses spread on racks ly fearing a count-a resolution or shelves. . . . Judging by the condemning "the brutal attack of battered and sometimes mutilated the Soviet armed forces on the condition of some of the neople Hungarian people" and adding: who have since been released from "We demand that all Russian these places, the treatment there forces be withdrawn from Hunseems certainly to be no better gary unless their presence there than in the bad old days of Mr. is agreed to by a government Rakosi."

### We pledge our support to the SZIGETHY SUICIDE

Hungarian people in their efforts And only a few days earlier to obtain a government of their The Times had reported that Atown choice, free from outside tila Szigethy, a National Peasant intervention. We also demand Party MP and Imre Negy supthose imprisoned or deported for porter, who was vice-chairman of their part in the fight for Hun- the national committee in Gyor garian independence be released during the revolution, had after and returned to their homes." | three weeks in the hands of Ka-And then the final bitter pill dar's police broken his glasses, for Stalinist Frank Foulks and cut an artery with a piece of Stalinist Frank Haxell, the pres- broken lens, and then when taken he has decided that he must leave ident and secretary of this 230.- to the prison hospital, leapt from 000-strong union: "Copies of this a third-floor window to his death. motion to be sent to the USSR I met Szigethy in Gyor soon and Hungarian Embassies in after arriving in Hungary, and I

London and to the British For- came to respect him as an honest, upright man, devoted to the cause of the revolution, trusted

A WORKING-CLASS STAND and loved by the clothing work-What was so splendid about ers and engineering workers of this message of sympathy and the town. I felt his death as a steady flow of resignations that support for the Hungarian work- personal blow, though he is only has followed the Congress. King ing class in its ordeal—and read- due of thousands, whose lives Street is remolding the party to ers will understand the profound have been snuffed out by this satisfaction this decision gave yellow terror that Kadar and its heart's desire, a tight, hard those of us who have been bat- his masters have brought to core of blindly devoted, unthinktling on the Hungarian question Hungary.

MORE CP'ERS QUIT

Besides the ETU vote there have been two other body-blows to King Street (British CP headquarters) this week: the resignation of two former members of the party national Executive Commitee. And not two "spineless" intellectuals, either, but two of the party's most solid mass leaders: Brian Behan and Jim Roche.

Behan was on the EC until the recent Congress. He was dropped from the slate of names recommended for election to the new EC because he had been so critical of the leadership in the preceding year. He received, however, 188 votes, and came very near to breaking the slate. Now the party.

Roche, a popular and respected figure among the clothing workers of Yorkshire, has held a whole range of party offices since he joined the CP 27 years ago.

These are only two among the ing and uncritical members.

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**Reuther Gives Assist to Eastland** 

The way Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers, seeks to "defend" the union movement against government control is to do the union-busters dirty work himself. His latest move against UAW officials who invoke the Fifth Amendment (see story, page one) is a case in point.

A long and growing list of minor UAW officials are now being called before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee to answer whether they "are now or have ever been members of the Communist Party."

The immediate purpose of the Eastland committee is to create the impression that the UAW is infiltrated with "Communists." The further aim of the Eastland committee is to enact restrictive legislation governing union elections. Eastland would limit the choice of candidates in union elections in as undemocratic a way as the choice of candidiates is limited in the state of Mississippi.

Instead of denouncing the Eastland committee and calling for an all-out fight against it, Reuther has turned on the very victims of the racist senator. He has cited all officers of the union who invoked their legal rights under the Fifth Amendment to appear before their local union executive boards to prove that they are not members of the Communist Party and are "fit" to continue in office. Thus Reuther completes the process started by Eastland. Where Eastland

would pass legislation interfering with the right of the membership to elect whom they please, Reuther simply proceeds to impose such restrictions himself.

It should further be noted that Reuther's latest edict is a breach of faith with the union membership. For in 1954 Reuther recognized the validity of using the Fifth Amendment. He said: "We recognize fully that to waive the privilege of the Fifth Amendment involves the risks of incurring abuse, mental torture, the possible eventuality of being forced into the distasteful role of informer on one's friends and former associates, and finally, the possibility of being cited for contempt of Congress."

But what is perhaps the shabbiest feature of Reuther's decree is that many of the individuals involved in the Eastland hearings have opposed Reuther's union policies. By his latest edict, Reuther shows — as he has on a number of occasions in the past — that he has no compunction about using the government witchhunters to strike at inner-union opponents and to strengthen his own bureaucratic control over the union.

### **East Germany Showed the Way**

This week marks the fourth anniversary of the June 17, 1953 general-strike uprising of the East German working class. It was the first major revolutionary action of the workers in the Soviet orbit on behalf of workers' democracy, and it thereby showed us the pattern of the whole subsequent course of developments.

Undoubtedly, the East German uprising also contributed profoundly to shaping the events that followed - the Vorkuta strike of political prisoners in the forced labor camps of Northern Russia, the Poznan general strike, the October days in Poland, the Hungarian revolution and the widespread ferment among the workers in the Soviet Union itself, which in the last analysis is the explanation for the appalling revelations of Khrushchev at the 20th Congress.

To many workers, who went along with Stalinism up to the Khrushchev revela-

grievances." But alongside of this came the sinister slander, that we also heard after Poznan and Budapest, that the legitimate grievances of the workers were exploited by the spies and provocateurs of imperialism.

For us, as for all revolutionary opponents of American imperialism, it is, of course, not a question of proving that Wall Street did not try to advance its own interests through these uprisings. On the contrary. The hand of Western imperialism was to be seen at every turn. What is decisive, however, is the complete failure of the imperialists to realize their aims.

The East German uprising, for example, took on the scope of a general strike movement of 2,000,000 industrial workers in every corner of the country. The workers raised clear demands for an end to the speed-up, for democratic

Taiwan. During the last war, the their regimes both economically Japanese ruling class, whose govand politically. But they cannot ernment included Kishi as an imdo this so easily. The working portant minister, aimed to "orpeople are strongly organized, and ganize" the whole Asian area unthey could confer on their counder Japanese domination. The try the same kind of industrial) productive forces of capitalist development as in China, were Japan could not develop without

Washington, D.C. at the end of

On his tour, which began May

20. Kishi visited Burma. India.

Pakistan, Cevlon, Thailand and

June.

### COLONIES NEEDED

new colonies in Asia.

to wait many years before being theless, the Japanese capitalist in Southeast Asia were politicalable to improve their living economy needs Southeast Asia as ly stable, Wall Street's money Now that Japanese economy is standards. On the other hand, no- a market and field of investrecovering from its terrible dewhere in Southeast Asia can the ments. So Kishi decided to visit feat, it again needs more marnative capitalist class develop the India, Burma and the other coun- Japanese capitalists would be left kets, more raw material resources, various national economies with- tries to find out if it was possimore territory-in short, it needs new colonies. But the Japanese out severe exploitation of the ble to realize Japanese aims in capitalist class lost its powerful workers and peasants.

The Japanese capitalist class military force after the war, and



Fidel Castro (center), leader of Cuban guerrilla force fighting hated Batista dictatorship, is shown in mountain hideout. The anti-Batista movement has mass support throughout Cuba. In Santiago, for example, the entire populace is reported to be struggling at all costs to end Batista's bloody



### On June 6. Mrs. Natalia Sedoff Trotsky, issued a dencies among workers in the and, above all, the events of the statement in Mexico again denying certain newspaper great industrial plants of Buenos Bolivian revolution since 1953. ica. allegations about her recent visit to the United States. Aires-the most powerful sec-

of life among capitalist countries

Japan had no real, powerful labor movement. The working peocapitalists are trying to stabilize ple did not influence Japanese political events. They were only an object of capitalist exploita-

### CHINA'S INFLUENCE

tion.

italists in Southeast Asia do not countries could realize political

his trip he was astonished to find ple who informed him that "com-

fluence in these countries. He the area. He became alarmed

found it hard to understand why that if America and Japan do

the leading people-the capital- not give political and economic

ist class-of the Southeast Asian "aid" to the native capitalists in

countries have so strong a sym- Southeast Asia, they will not be

pathy for China. Perhaps, in his able to maintain their regimes

tions with the Soviet bloc than east Asian capitalists were to

dustry. Therefore, the best solufor 80 years. From 1868 to 1945, tion is to unite the three elements, Southeast Asia would es-

out in the cold.

the area. And in the course of

that China has a very strong in-

mind, he found it illogical that

capitalist governments i should

with capitalist Japan.

tablish its own industry with the help of American money and Japanese technology. This has been the program of the Japanese ruling class for a number of years. Of course, if the native cap-At the present time, the cap- italist class in Southeast Asian

would flow into these countries

On his trip to Southeast Asia,

Kishi met many important peo-

munist forces" are "infiltrating"

against the "red offensive."

Alas! Kishi has run into an-

United States will fail - that Kishi will not get many dollars from Washington.

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When Japan and all other countries of Asia shall have become workers' and peasants' states, Japanese industry will be used to develop the Asian economy and improve the living standards of the Asian people. There will no longer he any capitalists, hureauthey to 'take political power. In have a working class that will stability, Kishi's program would crats or landlords. The Asian, this way they would not have wait 80 years in misery. Never- work. But then, if capitalist rule people will rely on Japan's advanced technology, and Japan will become merely one partan economically advanced part without Japanese urging, and the for the time being-of an Asian Socialist Federation. Within a short span of years, most Asian people will obtain a high standard of living as industrial development spreads from Japan throughout all Asia.

Capitalist Japan today is in a blind alley. On the other hand, Southeast Asia under native capitalist rule cannot go forward or back. It is becoming ever clearer that a resolution of these contradictions does not rest with conferences of leading people of have developed friendlier connec- other roadblock. For if the Souththe U.S., Japan and Southeast Asia, but with the struggle of ask for large-scale help from the working people of these coun-What Kishi, the bureaucratic the U.S., the small amount of tries for state power.

servant of the Japanese capital- authority they enjoy among the Kishi and his friends in Washists, fails to understand, is the masses would exhaust itself rapington thus have many problems real situation in these countries idly. Working people would not to talk over, but they cannot -namely, the coming struggle tolerate the new colonial exploit- solve them. Only the Asian workfor power between the native ation that American "aid" really ing people\_including the Japanese workers-can do that.

## **Report Latin American Trotskyist Conference**

#### (Special to the Militant)

capitalist class and the mass represents.

A conference of Latin American Trotskyists, with delegates from different countries, was held recently. It was a meeting of adherents of the International Committee of the Fourth International-the orthodox Trotskyists. The most positive accomplishment of the conference was class participation in the national the elaboration of a unified policy for Latin America.

The Activities Report gave evdence of the rapid advance of limits imposed on the nationalist the orthodox Trotskyist tendency in various Latin American countries.

In Argentina, Trotskyists have established themselves as one June 16, 1955; the general strikes of the strongest political ten- of the Chilean workers in 1955;

American working class was on [ The Trotskyist conference conthe offensive in the immediate cluded that the next stage of the post-war period, but is now gen- class struggle in Latin America erally in retreat, except in Bo- will be of a defensive character livia. Two great gains characterize the development of the work- union movement. unification of ers' movement during the last 15 unions on industry-wide and nayears. These are: (1) a considerable extension of union organiz- the living standards of the workation; (2) a significant working ing class. In analyzing the Bolivian rev-

independence movement. In the olution, the Trotskyist conference process, the working class made estimated that the government of heroic efforts to overcome the Silles Suazo represents an entrenchment of reaction. Nevermovement by a leadership tied theless, the situation continues to to the capitalist class. Clear exbe revolutionary, as the working amples were the armed mobilizaclass still retains its arms.

tion of the Argentine workers on Finally, the Trotskyist conference resolved to publish a theoretical magazine for Latin Amer-

-namely, reorganization of the tion-wide bases and defense of

tions and the Polish and Hungarian uprisings, the East German events of four years ago are a dark and bitter memory. Many of these workers swallowed the lies about the East German uprising that poured out of the Stalinist slander factory. Now they must wonder. In the light of all that has happened and all that we have learned in the last few years, isn't it necessary to go back and pick up the thread of truth?

In East Germany, back in 1953, the workers uprising was followed immediately by panicky admissions by the Stalinists of the "legitimacy of workers'

rights, for the removal of the Kremlin's troops.

At no point did the workers manifest the slightest sympathy for a return to recent visit to New York. These capitalism in any form - for the old items are not based on fact. I slavery. The movement pointed to the future not the past.

The pattern of the four years is a pear before any such commitpattern of struggles by the Soviet work- tee. This was not as some newsers for a democratic workers' revolution against Stalinist bureaucratic tyranny. This movement did not play into the hands of Western imperialism. It ushered doing so." a new powerful force into the world socialist revolution.

fessor John Dewey. "If this com-

mission decides that I am guilty

in the slightest degree," Trotsky

stated, "I pledge in advance to

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executioners of the GPU."

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new edition. In this work, Trot-| under the chairmanship of Pro

Mrs. Trotsky declared: "The I

press is again carrying news country. Unofficially however, items in connection with my it was believed that since her visit here was proving unprofitable from the government's was not invited to appear before any Congressional committee, and, as is known, I did not apunnecessary." In short, the govpapers now report, because I was intimidated by any organization or individual, but because I never had any intention of

Mrs. Trotsky's statement refounded. futes remarks made by Rep-

resentative Walter (D-Penn.) **Prosecute French** Chairman of the House Un-American Activities Committee that somebody had scared her **Trotskyists for** out cf appearing as a "cooperative witness" before his witch-hunting body. Walter's **Stand on Algeria** allegations were printed in the May 28 New York Times.

#### On June 4, Trotskyism was At the outset of Natalia scheduled to go on trial in Sedoff Trotsky's visit to the France for its uncompromising U.S. in April, a rash of stories defense of the Algerian national appeared in the daily press independence revolution. Four claiming that the purpose of her leading members of the Intervisit was to give information to nationalist Communist Party place myself in the hands of the various government bodies about were slated for trial before the "Communism." Mrs. Trotsky's categoric denial of these stories Appeals in Paris. The four are was carried only by the New

Pierre Lambert, Daniel Renard, York Post in its letter column. Gerard Bloch and Stephane Just. Similarly, her latest statement from Mexico, has been for what they wrote in La kept out of the daily press, although it was quoted over a independence struggle in gen-New York newscast on June 8. era! and in support of the Al-

gerian National Movement in olutionary socialist program for A NEW CONCOCTION particular.

Meanwhile in obvious refer-Since the beginning of the naence to her June 6 statement, tional independence revolution

Rep. Walter was quoted in the in November 1954, no less than June 10 New York Post as again 27 issues of La Verite, news claiming that Mrs. Trotsky had originally offered to testify, but paper of the Internationalist had "obviously been scared to Union. By Anand Mishra. 56 death." A Mexican newspaper, seized by the French police pages with appendix. 35 cents. has parlayed this into an allega-Thus, as the May 31 La Verite says, the trial of the four wil The author deals with the con- tion that the Soviet embassy in "an entire political bring ditions that led to the Stalin Mexico City threatened Mrs. line . . . up for review - and cult, with the defeats inflicted Trotsky with death if she an entire epoch: the first 14 by Stalinism on the world work- talked. months of a war for cclonial

The premise for Walter's reconquest." claim is contained in his declara-On June 4 also, hearings of Jacques Privas and Pierre Frank, tion that Mrs. Trotsky had suddenly decided to leave the U.S. associated with La Verite des The circumstances under which Travailleurs and likewise on

she left this country were ex- trial for writing on behalf of Order the above from Pioneer plained clearly enough by the Algerian independence, will take Publishers, 116 University Place May 27 New York Post. "Of- place before the 16th Appeals MAIN GAINS

ficially," wrote Mitchell Levitas, Court of the Seine.

tion of the Argentine working class. In the last union elections "she was not asked to leave the (September 1956), the Trotskyists won in more than 20 large factories and lost by a scant margin in as many others. In the point of view, Mrs. Trotsky was metal workers strike of January 1957, which involved 250.000 given to understand that her workers, the Trotskyists elected continued residence here was

a number of militants to the naernment unofficially deported tional strike committee. Re-Mrs. Trotsky, when she made it flecting their growing influence, the Argentine Trotskyists now abundantly clear to the witchhunters that their original envisage publishing a weekly paper with a circulation of 10,000 hopes to utilize her for their to 15,000. nefarious aims, were totally un-

### CHILE AND PERU

In Chile, the Trotskyists have formed an organization whose cadre is 90% working class in composition. Publication of their were directed to them. monthly newspaper is now on a regular schedule. And what is most heartening, they are exerting a certain amount of influence among the industrial workers. Thus, in two important unions, gain approval for several of their cast aspersion on the Forum as youth, and the widespread inresolutions in which a class- an apologist for dictatorship in terest he found among radical struggle point of view was set the Soviet Union or elsewhere, youth for the American Forum. it is not well taken." The very

In Peru, after the persecution purpose of the forum, Zaslow sion, A. J. Muste declared again: forth. and jailing of Trotskyists under explained is precisely to discuss 11th Chamber of the Court of Odria, the POR (the Workers this and other questions ccn-Revolutionary Party) has begun fronting the socialist movement.

persecution."

to reorganize. Outstanding mili-DOBBS ON UNITED FRONT tants of the APRA have begun Asked if the Socialist Work-All four are being presecuted to come over to the Trotskyists, ers Party viewed the American who are making headway on the as a "united front," Verite, in support of the Algerian basis of their policy of building Forum Farrell Dobbs replied that it an independent revolutionary somight be viewed as such in "its cialist party.

The general political report determination to use the rights analyzed the policy of U.S. im- set down in the Constitution,' perialism in Latin America. but that it definitely was not a Yankee imperialism aims not on- political united front in that it confined itself solely to a free ly at economic domination but also at limiting and curtailing discussion of issues. He said there the political independence of the was a basis for united front Latin American countries. The action among radical tendencies most concrete proof of this is to on such issues as civil liberties, be found in the military pacts civil rights and the defense of Congress secret-session speech; which force the countries of the continent to go to war when the

U.S. government wills it. through other vehicles. In order to counter U.S. colo-Asked if he believed that the nialism, the Trotskyist confer-Communist Party can play a ence resolved to push for a Latin progressive role in the regroup-American conference of unions ment process, Dobbs said that to mobilize the working class for aside from any opinion on this struggle and to form a Latin-America-wide trade-union fed- the SWP "defends unconditionally their right to participate in the forum." Pointing to the SWP's differences with the CP,

The report noted that the Latin Dobbs said, that while he did not

eration.

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consider the CP's program a contribution to a socialist soluwe need to forge links between all socialists, both nationally and tion, the collective process of internationally." The message discussing all points of view, can also expressed admiration at advance the socialist movement "your courage in the face of as a whole.

#### **BLUMBERG's VIEWS**

Included in the meeting's Agreeing there are "grave panel of American Forum nadifferences" between the CP and the following: Joseph Starobin, SWP, Albert Blumberg said that tional committee members were while the CP felt that these dif-Farrell Dobbs, David Dellinger, Albert Blumberg, Doxie Wilker- ferences should be discussed, George Stryker, Tim they viewed the main purpose Wohlforth, John T. McManus, of the forum as helping "to take Clifford McAvoy and Milton the question of socialism beyond Zaslow. A variety of questions its present limited circles."

The audience responded with Replying to a question as to gratification as Tim Wohlforth, why the American Forum has a leader of the Left Wing of not taken an official stand on the Young Socialist League just "civil liberties behind the iron returned from a national speakcurtain," Milton Zaslow declared ing tour, described the growthat if the question "is meant to ing interest in socialism among say we are determined to operate on the principle of non-exclusion of any socialist tendency."

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### The Negro Struggle

By John Thayer

### Langston Hughes Describes Blacklisting of Negro Artists

Langston Hughes, one of America's great Negro writers, spoke earlier this month at the National Assembly of the Author's League of America. The text of the Hughes talk appears below, as reprinted from the National Guardian: Bruce Caton spoke of the writer's chance to

be heard. My chance to be heard as a Negro writer is not as great as your chance. I once approached the Play Service of the Dramatist's Guild as to handling some of my

plays. No, was the answer, they would not know where to place plays about Negro life. I once sent one of my best known short stories, before it came out in book form, to one of our oldest and famous American magazines. The story was about racial violence in the South. It came back to me with a very brief little note saying the editor did not believe his

readers wish to read about such things. Another story of mine, which did not concern race problems at all, came back to me from one of our best-known editors of anthologies of fiction with a letter praising the story but saying that he, the editor, could not tell if the characters were white or colored. Would I make them definitely Negro? Just a plain story about human beings from me was not up his alley, it seems. So before the word man I simply inserted black, and before the girl's name, the word brownskin-and the story was accepted. Only a mild form of racial bias. But now let us come to something more serious.

Censorship, the blacklist: Negro writers, just by being black, have been on the blacklist all our lives. Do you know that there are libraries in our country that will not stock a book by a Negro writer, not even as a gift? There are towns where Negro newspapers and magazines cannot be sold - except surreptitiously. There are American magazines that have never published anything by or about Negroes. There are film studios that have never hired a Negro writer. Censorship for us begins at the color line.

As to the tangential ways in which many white writers may make a living: I've already mentioned Hollywood. Not once in a blue moon does Hollywood send for a Negro writer, no matter how famous he may be - when you go into your publisher's offices, how many colored editors, readers, or even secretaries, do you see? In the book review pages of our Sunday supplements and our magazines, how often do you see a Negro reviewer's name? And if you do, 99 times out of a 100 the Negro reviewer will be given a book by another Negro to review seldom if ever, "The Sea Around Us" or "Auntie Mame" - and yet a reviewer of the caliber of Arna Bontemps or Anne Petry or J. Saunders Redding could review anybody's books, white or colored, interestingly.

Take lecturing: There are thousands and thousands of women's clubs and other organizations booking lectures that have never had, and will

## **Helen Sobell on Husband's Case**

PHILADELPHIA, June 7 -Nearly 75 people listened attentively tonight as Helen Sobell told of the long legal battle to obtain a new hearing or freedom for her husband, Morton Sobell, now serving a thirty-year prison not have, a Negro speaker - though he has written a best seller.

We have in America today about a dozen topflight, frequently published, and really good Negro writers. Do you not think it strange that of that dozen, at least half of them live abroad, far away from their people, their problems, and the sources of their material: Richard Wright — "Native Son," in Paris; Chester Himes — "The Primitives," in Paris; James Baldwin - "Giovanni's Room," in Paris; William Denby — "Beetle Creek," in Rome; Ralph Ellison — "Invisible Man," in Rome; Frank Yerby — of the dozen best sellers — South France; Willard Motley — "Knock On Any Door" - Mexico.

Why? Why? Because the stones thrown at Autherine Lucy at the University of Alabama are thrown at them, too. Because the shadow of Montgomery and the bombs under Rev. King's house shadow them and shatter them, too. Because the body of little Emmett Till drowned in the Mississippi River and no one brought to justice, haunts them, too. Because the Jim-Crow schools from New York to New Orleans Jim Crow them, too. One of the writers I've mentioned when last I saw him before he went abroad, said to me, "I don't want my children to grow up in the shadow of Jim Crow."

And so let us end with children. And let us end with poetry - Since somehow the planned poetry panel, of which I was to have been a part, did not materialize. So, therefore, there has been no poetry in our National Assembly. Forgive me, then, if I read a poem. Its about a child - a colored child. I imagine her as being maybe six or seven years old. She grew up in the Deep South where our color lines are still legal. Then her family moved to a Northern or Western industrial city - one of those continual migrations of Negroes looking for a better town. There in this Northern city maybe a place like Newark, N. J., or Omaha, Neb., or Oakland, Calif. The little girl goes one day to a carnival, and she sees the merry-goround going around, and she wants to ride. But being a little colored girl, and remembering the South, she doesn't know if she can ride or not. And if she can ride, where? So this is what she says:

> Where is the Jim Crow section On this merry-go-round, Mister, cause I want to ride? Down South where I come from White and colored Can't sit side by side. Down South on the train There's a Jim Crow car. On the bus we're put in the back - But there ain't no back To a merry-go-round! Where's the horse For a kid that's black?

New Data on Role of Women in Industry WOMANPOWER. A Statement by the National Manpower Council | would encourage them to take | jobs and housework (it has been with Chapters by the Council Staff. Columbia University Press, jobs. The fact is, however, that estimated that the working wife

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ers in Salt of the Earth, the independently-produced, full-length

motion picture which depicts in magnificently artistic fashion

the inspiring struggle of Southwestern metal miners and their

wives in a strike. The Militant Labor Forum is holding a

three-day showing of the film at 116 University Place, New

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New York. 371 pp. \$5.00 Women comprise one-third of the United States labor force but receive only one-fifth of the national income, and as long as this basic inequality remains, the revolution in women's employment will not be fully achieved. But the changes that have occurred in the lives of American women in the last sixty to seventy years do have a profoundly revolutionary character, since they strike

at the basic causes of women's inferior status which lead to the exploitation of women in both marriage and employment. More than seventy years ago Engels pointed out that the real reason for the inferior position

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low value placed on the domestic concluded: "To emancipate woman and

and remains an impossibility so tects and natural scientists. Tolong as the woman is shut out day the figure remains about from social productive labor and 5%. This seems extraordinary restricted to private domestic la- in view of the fact that women bor. The emancipation of woman will only be possible when woman stead of one-sixth, of the total can take part in production on labor force. A number of differa large, social scale, and domes- ent factors tend to exclude them tic work no longer claims any- from professional work as well thing but an insignificant part as from top managerial positions. of her time. And only now has First, there is the classification that become possible through of jobs. Some jobs are considmodern large-scale industry, ered "women's work," others are which does not only permit of traditionally "men's work." To-21st District Office, that their too many privations in order the employment of female labor day's classified columns, which over a wide range, but positively are always headed "Female

demands it, while it also tends Help Wanted" and "Male Help towards ending private domestic Wanted," prove that the most

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## **Rarick Again Offers Aid To M'Clellan Committee**

DETROIT. June 8 - Don | Dues Protest Committee headed | tions of union democracy on the Rarick, Dues Protest candidate by Rarick.

against David J. McDonald for the United Steel Workers' presi- Rarick has switched his stand its possession 700 Rarick ballots dency last winter, told a rally of his supporters in District 29 after the union elections last these in the accurate H here tonight that he would February, he announced he would gladly cooperate with the help the labor-"probers." Then, McClellan "Anti-Rackets" Sen-ate Committee. The Senate body sion with members of a rank-has started an investigation into and file annual file count. He also has started an investigation into and-file committee in 14 steelthe misuse of funds by the worker locals in the Youngstown union's international officers in area, Rarick stated he had the steel workers' election cam- changed his mind and would paign. Tonight's rally was spon- give no aid to the Senate body. sored by the Rank-and-File In his speech tonight, Rarick Committee of Local 1299 to raise sought to justify his latest decifunds for the committee's or- sion to appear next week as a ganizing drive in the big Great cooperative witness before the Lakes Steel local and to give McClellan committee by telling financial aid to the National of a number of outrageous viola-

part of the McDonald machine.

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This is the second time that He stated that his group had in these in the count. He also TWA strato-cruiser which cost the union \$27,000 during Mc-Donald's feverish campaign in January to line up support for his candidacy.

Rarick also revealed that a Dues-Protest leader on the West Coast had been fired from his job, and blacklisted from the steel industry, while his wife had been harassed by threatening phone calls. He assured his supporters that the McClellan committee agents would soon be in the Detroit area to investigate unfair election charges at Local 1299. Dues-Protest supporters

here were denied watchers at the polling place and were about two-and-a-half million averages a 79-hour week, 40 on local cops supporting the Mc-

While the bureaucratic crimes of the McDonald machine are real enough, Rarick's turning to the McClellan committee as a olution in marriage relationships solution runs counter to the long-term aims of the rank-andfile workers who supported the Dues - Protest movement. The Dues-Protest campaign in last winter's election aroused the fighting spirit of broad strata them the means to express their resentment against the union

bureaucracy's collaboration with the steel corporations.

The Local 1299 caucus, for example, has attracted many young white and Negro workers, Mexican-Americans and old-time -Joyce Cowley militants. The caucus is in the process of mapping out a program to bring democracy down to the shop-steward level and of demanding radical changes in the contract all the way to reducing the retirement age in the steel mills.

The rank and file of Local 1299 have already gone beyond the limited program of the national Dues-Protest leaders who

call only for some democratic reforms in the union's constitution. The local caucus is also turning the attention of its sup-

caucuses that are growing

Rarick and the other Dues.

Protest leaders are thus con-

fronted with the task of lead-

ing a national movement in the

steel union going beyond their

porters to the need to carry its program directly to the floor of union meetings. In this it typifies the many rank-and-file

throughout the steel union.

### - Langston Hughes Phila. Meet Hears NLRB Attacks Los Angeles **Building Trades Hiring Hall**

### By Don Phoenix

LOS ANGELES - members of the Building-Trade unions read with seething anger an announcement in the local press last month by Henry W. Becker of the National Labor Relations Board's 3-

hiring hall agreements would that workers in the building term in Alcatraz. Mrs. Sobell "11 in in the building "eliminate discrimination" respect by the bosses." sneaker at a One building-trade unionist labor by changing it more and against non-union workers. The aim is to force the unions to put it this way: "If the adminopen up their hiring halls to non-istration wants to declare war union workers and thus weaken upon the building trades methe labor movement. As Becker chanics who build the roads, hosputs it, his office is determined pitals, schools, factories, homes to enforce "open" conditions in and office buildings in Southern California, this is a good way the Southlands' 11 counties. This union-busting declara- to go about it. Just let some have re-entered socially production by the Board is well-timed guy without a union card try to tive labor. As Engels foresaw, with the fact that most of the work along side of us and we'll this came about principally bebuilding trades are now nego- ail leave the job and go fish- cause modern industrial civilizatiating new contracts. It is ap- ing!"

women which is difficult to fully rated or widowed. realize at the present time, be-

the inferior position of women the birth of a child, whereas of women in our society was the and other highly skilled jobs. labor they performed, and he PROFESSIONS UNCHANGED In 1890, women constituted

about 5% of the lawyers, docmake her the equal of man is tors, dentists, engineers, archi-

workers are now one-third, in-



In Seattle Metal Strikes **By John Blair** 

SEATTLE — The recently concluded metal trades strike here provided a splendid demonstration that interunion solidarity really pays off for all concerned. Strike

**Solidarity Brings Victory** 

action began when Hope Lodge -79 of the International Associa-|gap between the journeymen and tion of Machinists shut down all non-journeymen. Enough local

have not only left domestic work women with children under six the job and 39 at home), it will driven from the union hall by to participate in social produc- are working, and they usually be difficult for them to prepare tion, but that they have also be- do so because of urgent financial for or accept highly skilled jobs Donald-Shane machine. come to a large degree financial- necessity-extremely low income or professional work, and they ly independent of their husbands. of the husband, unemployment or will remain a low-paid, doubly This will mean a change in the incapacity of the husband, or be- exploited section of the working relationships between men and cause they are divorced, sepa- class. Only a corresponding rev-

The United States provides and in the traditional concepts cause the consciousness of wo- fewer maternity benefits than of "men's" and "women's" work men has lagged behind the any country in the civilized in the home, as well as the exchanging situation, and most of world. It is also claimed that pansion of services which replace domestic work, can really them are not completely aware maternity leave, with both job liberate women and make possiof their independent status and and seniority guaranteed and of the number of years they will other types of maternity protec- ble the fullest development of of the steel workers. It gave remain in paid employment. This tion would encourage women to their abilities.

In this summary I have only is one factor that contributes to return to their jobs soon after highlighted some of the signifiworkers and especially to their they ought to stay home for at cant material in Womanpower, a book which is an indispensable LOCAL 1299 CAUCUS exclusion from the professions least a few years. Again, it is source of information for anyobvious that women in the lowest income groups, who are forced one seeking to understand the to return to work, would benefit changing position of women in a most from such protection. changing society.

As long as working women face the double responsibility of

was the principal meeting sponsored by the Philadelphia branch of the Socialist Workers Party. All proceeds were contributed to the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell.

The first speaker of the evening was Jean Frantjis, Philadelphia chairman of the Sobell Committee. She spoke of past activities of the Committee and the need for a new effort that will bring all the facts in the Sobell case before the people of this city.

A documentary film strip, "Was Justice Done?", issued by the Sobell Committee was shown. After the film, Helen Sobell was introduced with the reading of one of her poems, "Courage." The collection of \$112 expressed the warm response of the audience to her appeal for support in the fight for justice.

Myra : Tanner Weiss, staff writer for the Militant, was the concluding speaker. She described what the Rosenberg-Sobell trial of 1951 revealed about the nature of the FBI and the "legal" crimes | made | possible by the witch-hunt hysteria.

Calendar **Of Events** 

### Detroit

Friday Night Socialist Forum. June 21, 8 P.M. "Government-Controlled Unions or Workers' "Democracy?" 3737 Woodward.

### New York

""American Youth for Socialism holds open meetings every Tuesday night at 8:00 P.M., at 116 University Place. A short business meeting is followed by an interesting educational discussion, Tuesday, June 25: Earl Owens will review Rosa Luxemburg's classic pamphlet: Reform or Revolution.

parent to even the most naive "It seems to me," said an- also because domestic labor has person that the statement by other, "that these pygmies in more and more been turned into not qualified for certain types Becker about the "open" employ- the government are now so drunk a "public industry" - nursery of work, although this study inment policy of the NLRB is a with power and arrogance that schools, restaurants and frozen dicates the basic abilities of men go-ahead signal to stall or break they are trying to see how far dinners, laundromats and diaper and women are similar in all down negotiations with the un- Labor can be pushed before it service, etc. ions until a strike or lock-out fights back. I've carried a card for over thirty-five years and develops.

Government employment agen- thought that I was building secies would then supply the boss- curity and protection on the job, es with scabs. And after the now this fink administration is

strikebreaker could apply to the WANT TO FIGHT union that he scabbed on and the union would have to put alty of some oppressive fine by current anti-labor drive of the

the NLRB.

trade workers have sweated so ment that intervenes for the bosshard to build up. NOT SLAVES

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Some of the more outspoken ers the clearer it will become members of the building-trade that strike actions are not enough unions are now saying, "We are It will become clear that labor not slaves! We don't have to also needs a political party of work with scabs; We've worked its own to combat government too many years and suffered union-busting.

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pay a lot better. place is not that more women are working, since most of them have TRADITIONAL CONCEPTS always worked, but that they The failure of women to break into the professions and other types of highly skilled work in large numbers is not due entirely to male prejudice. Women, too, tion requires female labor, and are conditioned by traditional concepts to believe that they are

Womanpower records the the army, especially during the change. This authoritative study is the most comprehensive and detailed report that I have seen

almost every type of work exon women's employment and for cept that requiring exceptional strike or lock-out is over, accord- trying to destroy all that we old anyone seriously interested in the muscular strength. In the Soviet ing to this new NLRB decree, a timers worked so hard to create." question, it is a fascinating book. Union, for example, there is no In 1890, only half of the wo- shortage of doctors comparable men in this country worked at to that in the U.S. because large The members want their un- any time in their lives and their numbers of women are entering

him to work or suffer the pen- ions to fight back against the average participation in paid emthe medical profession. ployment was eleven years. To-Another factor that discourgovernment, but they are not day, 90% of all women work at ages women from entering pro-Thus, with one stroke of the yet sure how to fight back. They least part of their lives, and tofessions or supervisory jobs in pen some labor-hating NLRB know how to fight the bosses day's school girl can anticipate bureaucrat hopes to destroy all on the economic front with strike about twenty-five years in paid the protection that the building- action, but fighting the govern- employment. Of the 28 million women who work in the course of es isn't that easy. But the more a single year, 60% are married

> openly as an agent of the employyears of age. NEW PATTERN

that the government intervenes and more than half are over 40



her duty to provide them.) forties. Today, the median age for marriage is twenty, and young women bear their last child at the age of twenty-six. This child enters school when the mother is only thirty-one or thirty-two, and large numbers of mothers then return to the labor force where they remain for

twenty to twenty-five years (38% of mothers with school age children are now working).

of the shops under its jurisdic- support for the militants swelled tion after failing to get satisfac- up to defeat the proposed settleimportant qualification for any job is to be the right sex, and it tion from the bosses' Washing- ment. is significant that the jobs which

ton Metal Trades Association as Meanwhile the bosses tried to to wages and fringe benefits. The pull a fast switch on the Molders main grievance centered around by arriving at a settlement with the issue of shift differential pay. the Machinists. But this boomer-Action by the Hope Lodge di- anged when the Machinists acrectly affected the members of cepted the offer and then refused Molders Local 158 which has con- to go through the Molders picktracts in three of the plants etlines.

struck by the Machinists. When the Machinists walked out, the ing made it clear to the bosses Molders were also in the midst that they could not shake the of negotiating a new contract, solidarity of the ranks of either With half their ranks affected by union they finally came through the Machinist walkout, the Mold- with a satisfactory settlement for ers' membership voted to respect the Molders as well.

their picketlines.

MOLDER GRIEVANCES war years) women have been suc-

The determination of the Moldwith the Machinists was strength- time for overtime, an immediate democracy. er rank and file to stand solid ened by their own major grievances against the bosses. Just crease in 1958, as well as subprevious to going on strike, the stantial improvements in fringe Molders had twice rejected con- benefits. Solidarity really paid

tract terms, including a damag- off. ing wage gap between journeymen and non-journeymen and a proposal to cut back overtime pay from double time to time and a

half. industry-assuming that they After rejecting these proposals, have an opportunity to do sothe Molders voted to strike the is the difficulty of combining the three shops where their memheavy demands and responsibilibers were already inactive as a ties of such work with what is result of the Machinists strike described as their "responsibili-This provided the affected memties" in the home-i.e., taking bers with strike benefits, boosted care of the children, cooking, their morale and badly shook the washing dishes, mopping floors. morale of the bosses.

come a public industry-not by a new offer to the Molders cona long sight. Nor can many peotaining some concessions but still ple atford a servant. When the wife is working and the husband helps with the housework, he generally feels that he is helping with her work. (The law still enmeant a throwback for them and titles a husband to his wife's domestic services and considers it, at the striking Machinists.

LACK OF CHILD-CARE AID Many of the public facilities which would help women-especially child-care facilities-are not provided. There are no federal child-care programs and on- all" rang out in the AFL Labor

ly three states and two cities operate publicly financed child- years. care centers. There is still gen-Additional support for rejecteral disapproval of mothers ing the employers' proposal came working, especially mothers of from the many Negro workers

children under six and it is who are most directly concerned This means that many women claimed that child-care centers with the need for closing the pay

limited program of constitutional reforms - a national movement that would link the battle for union democracy with a battle against the arrogant and profit-bloated steel bosses. By his decision to use the Big-Business dominated McClellan committee in his campaign for

democratic reforms in the union, The determination of the Mold-Rarick is turning away from er ranks to stand fast with their that task. He is turning away brothers in the Machinists' union won them a closing of the wage from the kind of militant struggap, continuation of the double gle that alone can secure union

6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-cent increase, a larger in- NO FRIEND OF WORKERS

Sen. McClellan, himself, is hardly a champion of workers' democracy. He has maintained

his seat as a Senator from Arkansas on the basis of the disenfranchisement of white and Negro working people, who are disqualified from exercising their elementary voting rights by means of poll-tax qualifications.

McClellan is responsible for the "right-to-work" law in Arkansas. Concurrently with his moves to investigate election corruption in the steel workers' union, he is campaigning for passage of "right-to-work" laws in Northern industrialized states.

ANOTHER TROJAN HORSE

The Dues-Protest leaders would do well to take warning from this that these enemies of labor are as anxious as David J. McDonald to place a halter on the steel workers' struggle for democracy in their union and to prevent them from taking the offensive against the steel barons. Nicholas Mamula, the Dues-Protest nat'l campaign chairman, has warned supporters to be alert to "Trojan horses" (meaning McDonald's henchmen) entering the movement. The McClellan Committee is an even more sinister and dangerous Trojan horse for the new and aggressive rank-andfile movement in the steel workers' union.

America's Road to Socialism The Coming American Revolution The employers countered with Socialism on Trial The IWW - The Great Anticipation Militants in the Molders' local Eugene V. Debs 40pp took a strong stand against the

American Stalinism and holding out on the overtime rate. Anti-Stalinism Molders' officials tried to per The History of American suade the membership to accept Trotskyism the new offer even though i

would have struck a heavy blow

The Struggle for a proposed settlement, declaring Proletarian the need for solidarity with the Party Machinists. The old battle cry of "An injury to one is an injury to

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