# Radio-TV "Equal Time" Rule Imperiled

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## Democrats, Republicans Seek Total Monopoly of Free Broadcast Time

#### By Harry Ring

JULY 1 — A deliberately fraudulent interpretation of a recent FCC ruling is being used as the smokescreen for Vol. XXIII - No. 27 a high-powered propaganda drive to destroy the "equal-

time" provision of the Federal+ guise of a news program it Communications Act. Republican and Democratic must give equal time to his op-

leaders have joined with the ponents. broadcasting industry and the There is strong evidence, how-FCC itself in a Congressional ever, that the FCC regarded the drive to deprive independent Daly case as a weak one, deand minor party candidates of liberately selected it for its long their present minimum access overdue decision and then elabto TV and radio and assure the orated its ruling in order to major parties a total monopoly hold the law itself up to public of these channels to the public. ridicule.

The barrage against the Backed up by the manufact-equal-time regulation is center-ured "furor" around the Daly ed around a recent FCC ruling decision, House and Senate in favor of Lar Daly, a candi- committees will soon report out date for Mayor of Chicago in 1958 who demanded TV time on the basis of several appear-ances by the incumbent on news programs. News accounts and Section 315 of the Federal Comindignant editorials have al- munications Act to exempt most universally presented the news broadcasts from the secruling as a decision that broad- tion's equal-time proviso and casters must now assume the to permit the broadcasters rath-"impossible" task of providing er than the FCC to determine equal news coverage to all can- what constitutes a newscast. An even more sweeping atdidatés.

But the FCC merely did in tack on equal time is contained the Daly case what it should in a bill introduced by Senator have done a long time ago. If Vance Hartke, an Indiana Demruled that when a station gives ocrat who is being short-changa candidate free time in the ed if he isn't on the broadcasters' payroll.

Harbor Strike In Ceylon Shakes Govt.

COLOMBO, CEYLON, June 6 A harbor strike here has Hartke would also exempt

by the Trotskyist Lanka Sama rest with the broadcasters. Samajist Party-led United Port Hearings on the various bills This announcement came after Workers' Union over the issue were completed in the Senate a three-judge federal court voidof a monthly wage. The other Communications Subcommittee ed the state law which Governor port unions have also come out. June 25. (See extracts from Faubus used last fall to close The Government has ordered testimony by William A. Price the schools and block integra-the Army and Navy to work in the port and representatives of the New York United Inde-the port and representatives of the New York United Inde-11 unions meet today to decide page 4.) The House Comon the steps to take. These merce committee opened its unions, with a million mem- hearings yesterday. bers, struck on March 3 against At these hearings, the broad-

The Bandaranaike govern- equal time gleefully flayed the the lower House in the face of claims that it means an end to unprecedented labor unrest. It radio and TV coverage of elec-

Among other things, his bill

entire school district is called "integrated.") to a standstill and has raised "bona fide news documentary, Little Rock, on June 25, the new to a standstill and has raised the possibility of a general **panel discussion, debate or sim-**strike. school board officially announ-ilar type program." Judgement ced plans to desegregate the

U.S. News and World Report.

scares, trouble in the schools, eral government's witch-hunt forthwith.

# For Stiff Civil Rights Law

**Biggest Boondoggle** 

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## **Few Schools** To Integrate Next Fall

Little change in Southern school integration is expected next fall. The sixth year of integration under the Supreme Court's May 17, 1954 order will still see 2.5 million Negro pupils

in segregated school districts would deny equal time to presand only a half million in "inteidential and vice-presidential candidates who polled less than grated situations." Of this half million only a small percentage four per cent of the popular will actually attend classes tovote in the previous election or gether with whites. (Even if only filed nominating petitions repone Negro student is going to a resenting less than one per cent former lily-white school, the of the vote in the previous election. Approximately 62 million votes were cast in 1956.

There will be several key contests next fall nevertheless. In The port strike was initiated of what is "bona fide" would schools according to the July 6

attend the reopening of the Litthe Public Security amendment. casters and other opponents of the Rock schools. "If forced integration does come," he de-

The U.S. Supreme Court, 8 to of such procedure, the specific legations by faceless informers ment has a bare majority in Daly decision with hypocritical clared, "it will also bring bomb 1, on June 29 declared the fed- authorization may be expected that his former wife, Jean, divorced eight years before, had of the Civil Rights Commission children. for another two vears and The N. Y. Times dispatch of bought books, associated with would give it power to inspect itiate and pay for such legal great deal of friction outside the industrial workers illegal. Un- June 29 explains: "This consti- people and gone to a dinner schools." In 1957, Faubus' simi- fortunately the basis of the rul- tutional question has been all of a suspected, unorthodox state election records. But it action. lar "warnings" about violence ing is technical rather than con- pressed on the court for a dec- political nature. Moreover, over would give this window-dress-The Douglas bill could be a ing committee no more power were the screen behind which stitutional, so that a redrafted ade, but it has avoided the issue his denials, it was asserted that help to Negroes in the South if racists organized to forcibly pre- "loyalty" order by Eisenhower by deciding every case on some Greene secretly agreed with than to investigate and report. the Attorney General aggres-To date it has been a marvel vent nine Negro children from or a new law by Congress, other ground. The court did so "Jean's wild theories." Without ively exercised the power. But of impotence — its first year the Douglas bill severely limits attending Little Rock's Central couched in different terms but again today . . ." In the ten letting Greene question his se-High School. Intervention of achieving the same end, may years the court has dodged the cret accusers, or indeed without was spent in getting organized, the chances by providing (1) its second in being defied with that aggrieved parties must federal troops enabled integra- subsequently be accepted by the issue, thousands of workers in ever being able to question them impunity by racist officials. first send in signed complaints plants with defense orders have itself, the board found him Other inoffensive provisions Other inoffensive provisions — which many Negroes fear to nibbling at the edges of civil do; and (2) that the Attorney Whether Greene will get his rights are found in both bills - General may act only in cases "conciliation" service for where he establishes that the whether he will be immediately areas beset by integration dis- aggrieved individual is too poor putes, penalties for interstate to go to court himself and is still lily-white. In Florida, Dade whole procedure of firing em- the present Supreme Court rul- executive order or law, is not hate bombers, etc. under force and duress. vet certain. The Douglas and Celler bills. Though the Democratic and The particular case ruled on Federal loyalty officials exbacked by the Northern liber-Republican politicians hope to was that of W. L. Greene, an pressed confidence that most of als, differ from the others clear the civil-rights issue out aeronautical engineer and exec- their program will weather the mainly in including the Part of the 1960 campaign, and III compromised out of the though the Negro-labor-liberal finances to fight his screening. 1957 Civil Rights Law. This leadership will hold up a

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**Congressmen Consider** Token Gesture as Race **Opens for 1960 Votes** 

### By George Lavan

The biennial sham battle on civil rights is underway in Congress. As in 1957 there is a good likelihood something bearing the label "civil rights" will be passed. That

it will be worth much more than the paper it is written on sfar from likely in view of First Death Penalty the composition of Congress and the motives of the Democratic For White Rapist and Republican politicians.

The Negro people's agitation and pressure for their rights, which are being violated wholesale throughout the South, is the central issue of U.S. domestic politics. But none of the bills introduced in Congress attempt to cope with the situation — all are designed to get the issue out of the way of the 1960 conventions and presidenial elections.

Bills have been introduced by administration forces, the Southern overseer of the Senate — Lyndon Johnson, and the inefectual Northern liberals. All bills are extremely weak and limited with the liberals' bills slightly less weak than the others - as is to be expected in view of their large Negro and labor constituencies.

The administration and John-

# **Of Negro Woman?**

A 19-year-old Marine in South Carolina may be the first white man ever to be given a death sentence in the South for raping a Negro woman. The death penalty for rape has always been used exclusively against Negroes charged with rape of white women.

An all-white jury in Beaufort, S.C., last week, however, brought in a guilty verdict against Private Fred Davis accused of raping a local Negro woman.

No recommendation of mercy was made by the jury. This makes a sentence of death mandatory by South Carolina law. Davis has a record of previous assaults against white women and



(Continued on Page 4) might collapse any day.

## **Durban Negroes Fight Poverty and Jim Crow**

What was behind the incredibly savage South African police attack on the Negro residents of the Cato Manor ghetto in the city of Durban June 19 and 20?

The pitched battle between 500 cops armed with sub-machine guns, revolvers and clubs heart of the rioting. . . and the 23,000 unarmed Afri- In a similar vein, the June 23 cans in Cato Manor erupted New York Herald-Tribune re- County school board has assign- ployes on secret denunciations ing, all this will continue. when the police swooped down ported: "The Cato Manor erup- ed four Negroes to enter a white would be unconstitutonal anyon the area to destroy home- tion . . . shows that many of elementary school in Miami next how. But these fine words count made stills operated by the the urbanized Africans have September. There will be no in- for nothing now. The legal conwomen there to add a few cents been driven to extremes of frusto their substandard incomes. tration and aggravation-partly Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, that neither Congress nor the The infuriated women respond- from causes of their own maked to the police action by ing, largely from the injustices ea to the ponce action by ing, largery from the injustices and their allies masses and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices in deorgan, a feetal to ask for event in- Negro masses and their allies masses and their allies masses and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices and their allies masses and their allies masses and their allies masses and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices and their allies action by ing, largery from the injustices action by ing, lar down state-operated beer halls, caste system which pervades to submit a desegregation plan, cross-examine. their accusers. signed by him. It took him a persons in the United States re- threatening to violate civil ten compromise. Their anger Five African men were killed South Africa.'

by the police and 24 African men and women injured. tion of their illicit liquor stills

The move to destroy the stills that angered some of the womwas just one injury too many en into starting the riots, this is to the people of Cato Manor but one of dozens of African who have long suffered hunger, grievances. .

of them:

"The disabilities from which disease and brutal repressions as a result of tyrannical white those in Cato Manor suffer under South African law are mulrule. titudinous. Here are just a few

#### AVERAGE WAGE

"Africans in the 'locations' Poverty is general in Cato can own their own shacks but Manor. The average wage is cannot own the land on which less than \$10 a week. A continthe shacks stand. There is no uing rise in the cost of living privacy. Police can enter their has reduced the people to nearstarvation levels. a warrant.

Although reports of the police "Every male African must be assault at Cato Manor in the in possession of a 'reference major American dailies are pre-book' containing his personal ing conditions at Cato Manor record and credentials. To be again putting its head in the are so shocking that the most biased correspondent could not help but report are to be used and credentials. To be caught without it means arrest. This 'pass' system is being gradhelp but report some of the ing considerable resentment. facts.

internal affairs of the unions. The extent of this "resent-The Teamsters Union, for a The people of Cato Manor ment" is described in the New "live in crowded squalor," re- York Times dispatch. "No white ported the June 22 New York ventures into Cato Manor on struggle against all government- trol over the organization of the favor of a "moderate" labor able encroachments of the gov-Times. "Their shacks are of tin foot at night. Even during the control-of-unions legislation. The and tied together with wire. day, the deeper a white gets Teamsters hailed the stand of should be allowed to do so. By Kennedy-Ervin type. Refuse litters the streets and into the area the more sullenly National Maritime Union presiand grudgingly do the Africans dent Joseph Curran, and United crats imagine they will appear erate" measure is again amend**a** stench hangs over the area.

"African women scream at make way for him. The police Mine Workers president John their children as they tend their warn whites who are driving L. Lewis, that "you cannot comcooking pots. The children, that if by chance they are in- promise with the headsman's ers. themselves, naked or half-nak- volved in an accident, or knock axe" when it comes to governed, are often rickety-legged and anybody down, they must not ment interference in the unions. The moment the union busters labor in Congress from again unions for the capitalist war pot-bellied. There is little for stop, but should report the ac- Now they have shifted their po- get the debate on the ground of voting for such amendments as government. In return for the put themselves at the service of domestic crisis of capitalism them to eat. Tuberculosis is cident to the nearest police sition and are proposing amend- how the government shall con- every single one of them did the no-strike pledge that they gave the imperialist ruling class. Un- sharpens, the capitalist class station. rife.

incidents of various kinds, a program against three million tion to take place that year.

Elsewhere in the South, new

Mississippi or South Carolina. President authorized those run-In Georgia, a federal court has ning the program to deny vic-

"Although it was the destruc-

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high court.

A ray of hope that the court been fired, harassed and intimi- guilty. tests are expected in Virginia. may later adhere to the Bill of dated; moreover, the FBI has In Texas, the NAACP is suing Rights is seen by some people in been permitted to set up a net- old job back with back pay or "This poverty was at the for integration in the big cities, the fact that five justices joined work of labor spies in the naall of whose school districts are in an opinion implying that the tion's plants and unions. Despite refired on the basis of a new

tegration whatever next fall in tent of the present decision is utive with enough patience and high court's ruling. He was fired on Navy orders from a plant whose main defense

hower are notorious supporters charges. These proved to be al- million dollars or more.

into effect this fall.

By Murry Weiss

dependence of the unions.

The fact is, however, that the

that can only increase the al-

ready ominous control of the big

business government over the

the

Officials nion After the sad experience of of rights" in place of the one for union independence suffers tions. the labor movement with the introduced by Senator McClel- accordingly.

After the Kennedy-Ervin bill

consequences of supporting the lan. (See June Teamster maga-"mild" Kennedy-Ervin "labor zine.)

passed the Senate 90-to-1 with The immediate motive behind the McClellan "bill of rights" reform" bill, one would expect that the union officials would these moves appears to be the amendments included, the AFLhesitate a long time before again estimate of the union leaders CIO officials felt the noose anating from the top bracket of satisfied with this arrangement. venturing to back legislation that there is no immediate dangtightening around their necks. prevacy. Fonce can enter their that is supposed to do a "mod- er of this session of Congress This was a frightening experierate" job of strangling the in- passing any labor control legis- ence for them. After a period of unions. Second, it discloses the officials were crushing union delation. The labor officials are squirming they came out in real policy and character of the mocracy in the course of carry-

sharp opposition to the bill in present leadership of the labor therefore trying to get them-AFL-CIO leadership is once selves into what they regard as its amended form. In the first a position of strength for the period of their belated opposinoose and asking for legislation propaganda battle over the issue tion the AFL-CIO leaders con-

of corruption in the unions. In accordance with their anti-union features of the bill unions - it only wants to be inwhole mentality the union bur- (and arguing, of course, that it cluded as a partner in the ex- over the unions. Only the coal capitalist government and the eaucrats think only in terms of would weaken the fight against ercise of that control. The labor Communism). Now they have how the government of the capwhile, had organized a head-on italists shall exercise its con-adopted a "positive" position in self in every way to the inexorworkers and not whether it control measure of the original arguing the "how," the bureau-But what if this new "mod-

more reasonable and this will ed to beef up the government appease the anti-union crusad- intervention and control claus-

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would permit the U.S. Attorney crumb as "half-a-loaf," A New York Times article General to ask for court in- Negro masses and their allies

but this is not expected to go Since both Congress and Eisen- year just to get a statement of ported a taxable income of one rights. At present the aggrieved will continue to make civil individuals themselves must in- rights the key issue.

**Oppose Gov't** and have drafted their own "bill | the main point and the struggle | have no answers to these ques- | bureaucrats received "mainten- | Department, the union officials ance of membership" clauses lined up behind the fight against Two fundamental aspects of and other devices designed to the "red menace." And again the class struggle between labor insure them against a rank and they used this intervention of and capital are reflected by this file union upsurge. the government into the unions to beat down all opposition to The big business government shows the powerful pressure em- and the union officials were the consolidation of their rule. With the government witch hunt monopoly capital to curb, crip- The government never dreamed

raging, the union officials pickple and ultimately smash the of complaining that the union ed up the anti-communist club and went after all opponents or potential opponents and drove ing out their bargain, and the them out of the movement.

Thus, during World War II union officials never complained The fact is that the labor about government interference and during the cold war, two interrelated processes took place: so long as this interference serfined themselves to exposing the pose government control of the ved to strengthen their positions (1) the bureaucracy fell increasand assure their dictatorship ingly into the embrace of the miners in 1943, the auto work- government gained a firmer grip ers in 1945, along with hundreds on the top echelons of the union of thousands of other workers movement; (2) the crushing of didn't like the arrangement and union democracy proceeded pledge with massive struggles. labor's independence from the capitalist government.

## BOSSES WANT MORE

From the point of view of eaucracy and the capitalist gov the capitalist class, the basic

With the beginning of the cold contradiction in this set-up is war the union officials again as follows: As the world and (Continued on Page 4)

"New Deal" and the Truman Despite this the war witnessed a deepening of the process of intermeshing of the union bur-

legislative struggle. First, it

bureaucracy does not really op-

movement.

es? And what is supposed to During World War II the la- ernment. This is a first-class blunder. prevent the so-called friends of bor bureaucracy policed the ments to the Kennedy-Ervin bill trol the unions they have won last time? The union officials to the government, the union der the pressure of the U.S. State

bureaucracy accommodated iternment against union indepen- broke through the no-strike alongside the curtailment of

## dence during the Roosevelt

'Fair Deal."

POLICED UNIONS

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Page Two

## **Pacifism and China**

#### By Leon Trotsky

Is it possible to prevent a nuclear war in any other way than by overhauling our economy and converting it from a capitalist to a socialist structure? Many well-intentioned people would say yes. In their opinion another war is so horrible to contemplate that it cannot be permitted to occur. At the same time, they believe that it is utopian to seek a socialist victory in America and the other major capitalist powers. Consequently they confine their "peace" efforts to pacifist demonstrations and propaganda against war in general.

To many people, the issues in this debate may seem to be fresh. Actually they are very old. The same arguments were used on the eve of World War I and again on the eve of World War II.

The following brief presentation of Trotsky's views on the subject are, therefore, of timely interest. In response to questions from a journalist, Trotsky gave his opinion on the value of the peace propaganda that was being pushed in 1937 primarily by the Communist International (Comintern).

He also indicated his attitude toward the war raging at the time between Japan and China, and the role of the Chinese Communist Party which was supporting Chiang Kai-shek. The reader can judge for himself how closely Trotsky's forecasts, dated Sept. 25, 1937, were confirmed by events.

For a fuller treatment of this entire subject see "Three Wars in One" by Daniel Roberts in the current International Socialist Review. -Editor.

The so-called peace organizations, including the working class organizations, do not in the least constitute an obstacle to the war. The numerous peace conferences, organized mainly by the Comintern, are purely theatrical enterprises without the least effectiveness; in time of war all these peace leaders, all these pious and humanitarian ladies and gentlemen, will return to their governments to support them in the war as they did in 1914-1918.

. The only political factor which today hinders the outbreak of war is the fear, on the part of the governments, of the social revolution. Hitler himself has said it many times. We must draw the logical conclusions from this: the more revolutionary the working class, the more are these latter prevented from carrying out their designs to make a new division of the world by armed force.

At the same time we must carefully distinguish between the imperialist countries and the backward countries, colonial and semi-colonial. The attitude of the working class organizations in and toward these two groupings cannot be the same. The present war between China and Japan is a classic example. It is absolutely indisputable that on the part of Japan, it is a war of rapine and that, on the part of China, it is a war of national defense. Only conscious or unconscious agents of Japanese imperialism can put the two countries on the same plane.

That is why we can only feel pity or hatred for those who, in the face of the Sino-Japanese war declare that they are

The war is already a fact. The workingclass movement cannot remain neutral in a struggle between those who wish to enslave and those who are enslaved. The working-class movement in China, Japan and in the entire world must oppose with all its strength the Japanese imperialist racism in London and with how bandits and support the people of China to combat it, is by Gerry Healy, and their army.

This does not at all suppose a blind confidence in the Chinese government and in Chiang Kai-shek. In the past, above all in 1925-27, the general was already dependent upon working-class organizations in his military struggle against the Chinese generals of the North, agents of foreign imperialism. In the end, he crushed the working-class organizations by armed force

in 1927-28. We must learn the lessons from this experience which resulted from the fatal policies of the Comintern in participating in the legitimate and progressive national war against Japanese Algeria, Cyprus, Kenya and invasion, the working-class organizations Nyasaland, have strengthened must preserve their entire political independence of the Chaing Kai-shek government. The Communist Party of China again, as in 1924-25, is making violent efforts to turn over the Chinese working- district, inhabited by some of the class movement politically to Chiang Kaishek and the Kuomintang. It is a crime all the more horrible because it is being committed for the second time.

At the same time, the remedy does not lie in the working-class organizations declaring themselves "against all wars" and folding their arms in an attitude of passive treason, but rather in participating in the war, aiding the Chinese people materially and morally, and simultaneously educating the masses of peasants and workers in the spirit of total independence of the Kuomintang and its government. We do not attack Chiang Kai-shek for conducting the war. Oh, no. We attack him for doing it badly, without sufficient energy, without confidence in the people and especially in the workers.

A pacifist who has the same attitude towards China as towards Japan in this terrible conflict is like one who would books. identify a lockout with a strike. The working-class movement is against a lockout of the exploiters and for a strike of the exploited. At the same time, strikes are often led by misleaders who are capable of betraying the working-class movement during the strike. This is no reason in 1936, the fascist General for workers to refuse to participate in the Franco was quick to use Moorish strike but it is reason for mobilizing the working masses against the defections and the treason of the leadership. It often hap- is the same sort of pretext that pens that during or after a strike the or- anti-Semitism was in East Longanized masses change their leadership. don in the thirties. It is simply a This can very well happen in China. But means of dividing working peothis change can be favorable for the peo-ple on racial lines, and so pre-venting them from organizing in ple only if the Chinese and international common action to improve their working-class organizations support China conditions.

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(Attacks on colored people in Notting Hill in London have become as notorious throughout the world as racist outrages in Little Rock or Poplarville, United States, or in Durban, South Africa. The following article, dealing with the source of general secretary of the Socialist Labor League. It is reprinted from the May 30 Newsletter,

weekly publication of the League. - Ed.)

### I. Fascism Offers a Scapegoat

Fifteen years after the horrors of Belsen, Buchenwald and the other fascist concentration camps, the menace of fascism is once again raising its head in western Europe.

De Gaulle's victory in France a year ago, and the brutal atrocities against colonial peoples in the fascist demogogues in their belief that the hour is approach-

Notting Hill is a training ground for the fascists. In this poorest of the white population of the metropolis, and by 10,000 colored immigrants, the fascists have for months been active, trying to whip up racial tension

Notting Hill is a slum landlord's paradise. Many of its buildings are old; whole streets are in decay; yet exorbitant rents are charged and overcrowding is rife.

Nobody has bothered about thirties. the people who live in Notting Hill. To the official leaders of the Labor Party they are "backward" people. To the capitalist press they are "rowdies." To sociologists they are subjects for high-powered "investigations." Yet there is nothing unusual about Notting Hill. When poor whites living a hand to mouth existence look around for a way out of their difficult conditions

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they do not turn to history They provide ready-made maerial for the fascist demogogues who tell them that the cause of their troubles is the "niggers' or the "spades."

But in reality the fascists care nothing about color. In Spain, troops against the working people of Spain.

For the fascists the color bar

## The Struggle Against Racism in London

## **British Labor Hits Tests**



Part of crowd of 12,000 that demonstrated last year in London's Trafalgar Square against nuclear tests. The rally was called by the British Labor Party. Currently, left-wingers in the party are agitating for Britain's complete unilateral nuclear disarmament. A conservative union, the General and Municipal Workers Union, has also demanded recently that Britain stop the manufacture of nuclear weapons and bar them from British territory.

Never in a million years. The the names contained in the red book of Captain Ramsay we Tory government is the agency should find that a considerable by which the big business men number of the leading figures in of the City of London rule this British industry openly profes- country. sed fascist sympathies in the

When this agency becomes in adequate and the employers can

These people have not chang- no longer rule through parliaed. And it would be a great mis- ment they will do what they did take to imagine that they are not in Italy and Germany: they will capable of once again supplying pour millions of pounds into the funds to various fascist organiza- building of fascist movements.

Fascism and parliamentary democracy are two ways in which the employers rule. And you cannot expect a government which defends the employers' interests to do anything serious about stopping the fascists, who seek to serve the employers.

ously challenged the capitalist The police force is the in class will be only too willing to strument of the Tory governuse the fascists who have shown ment, and is open to fascist ideas that they can do the job. and fascist influences.

cnifing people, then there will Only recently a young colored So there is a certain amount be no need whatever for the forof competition at Notting Hill worker nearly lost his life while among various brands of fascist cleaning windows at Scotland mation of workers' defense squads. thugs, to prove to the big em- Yard itself. Over 100 policemen Those responsible for unleash-

ployers that they are a force to were interrogated, in an effort ing violence must take the conto find out who cut the ropes of sequences of their actions. The Big strikes are in prospect in his platform. But, so far as is industry. The employers will be known, it was never discovered British Labor movement tradineeding an army of scabs — who did it.

people who go to work in a factory whose workers are out on does exist sympathy with fasstrike for higher wages, or for cist ideas. The Committee for shorter hours, or against sack- African Organizations says col-

ored citizens in Britain have lost What better recruiting ground confidence in the ability of the

than the poor white population police to protect them.

The Socialist Labor League | what is going on at Notting Hill wants to see the working-class it can avoid violence. movement swing into action

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PRESS ATTACKS

EAGUE'S PROPOSALS

For every colored worker assaulted — or murdered — on

The Socialist Labor League the streets of North Kensington has proposed the setting-up of today, thousands of white trade workers' defense committees and unionists will be assaulted in defense squads, consisting of days to come, unless we put a white and colored trade unionstop to this business now.

It is in the interests of white The job of these committees trade unionists to join forces nd defense squads would be to with colored trade unionists in protect the persons, lives, propall areas where there is an imerty, homes and civil liberties of migrant population, so that a all victims of the fascists and powerful united front can be built to defend the workers' tra-They would by their mere ditional liberties

resence make it impossible for How can workers' defense the racialists to show their faces committees and defense squads or distribute their inflammatory be formed? First of all, London Labor must rally to the defense The defense committees would of the colored people of Notting

carry out a widespread publicity Hill. campaign, explaining to white The Socialist Labor League youth the falsity and bad faith proposes that there be held a of fascist propaganda, answering conference of local Labor Parthe lies about immigration and ties, Communist Party branches, immigrants, pointing out that trades councils, shop stewards' only a united working class can committees and other workingresist the employers' offensive class organizations, together with against jobs, wages and condicolored people's organizations.

Such a conference could con-The defense committees would sider all practical details, and make themselves responsible for could organize demonstrations providing material and financial aid to colored people who had and public meetings to carry forward the campaign. been attacked, replacing spoiled

Shop stewards' committees in furniture and clothing and broken windows, not as an act of the large factories should organcharity, but as a means of dem- ize deputations of their members to visit Notting Hill and pledge onstrating in practice the solidarity of white and colored support to the colored people.

Let Labor break down the intolerable isolation of colored people from the Labor movement.

The capitalist press says work-The capitalist press is howling ers' defense squads would be bout the Socialist Labor 'strong-arm' squads." We say: League's proposal for the estab-Let the strong arm of the organlishment of workers' defense squads. It is seeking to turn atized working class protect the colored people in our midst from tention away from the fascists' ascist violence.

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Let us prove in deeds to the The Socialist Labor League makes it absolutely clear that colored workers in our midst that British Labor is a mighty these proposed defense committees and defense squads would force, which has the strength and the determination to sweep not be for the purpose of attackthe fascists off the streets.

A united front of the working They would simply be a means class, colored and white, beginof self-defense for the workers ning in the factories and spreadagainst fascist provocation and ing through the whole Labor movement, is the only effective If the fascists stop knocking answer to fascism in Notting people about and the thugs stop

Hill. The Socialist Labor League pledges that it will fight as hard as it can to make the proposals in this article a living reality.

DEMAND TEST BAN

A petition demanding a halt tionally abhors violence — but to nuclear tests has been pre-Inside the police force there it will be making a big mistake sented to the United Nationsiby if it imagines that by ignoring 2,000 American social workers.



FASCIST THUGS COMPETE The fascist demagogues do not nind the sneers of the press, because they know that the cap-

italist class in Britain needs to protect its property and privileges, and that when that power and those privileges are seri- TORY INSTRUMENT

## Study of Jewish Life in U.S. Is Aug. Book-a-Month Choice less advanced sections of the working class. And in Notting Hill fascism speaks with two less with two less advanced sections of the proved themselves good, loyal mortal enemy of organized tabor.

ADVENTURE IN FREEDOM. | grants, such as the Germans, to | Semitism received its first major 300 Years of Jewish Life in whom they had previously been expression in the Populist move-America. By Oscar Handlin. popularly likened. A great influx of East Euro- European Jew-haters, many colored people to go back to New York: McGraw-Hill, 282 pp., 1954. (original price \$3.75, pean Jews, lasting from the end Populist leaders professed to their own countries." Book-a-month price \$1.25 in- of the 19th Century till just after see in the Jewish banker the cluding mailing charge.) Order World War I, created the ghet- arch-conspirator behind the gold the young people: "Have a go at from Pioneer Publishers, 116 toes, such as New York's famous standard, the thwarter of the the niggers.' University Place, New York 3. Lower East Side, where masses panacea of the free coinage of of impoverished Jews were silver. But American Jews never N. Y.

This survey of the history of crowded together in slums. So questioned their physical secur- that prosperity will return if the the Jewish people in the United poor they had to go to work in ity in this country till the Great States is an excellent general in- the sweatshops practically the Depression and the example of to enter Britain. morning after getting off the Hitler in Germany produced the troduction.

Whereas the armies of the ship, these Jews produced al- really dangerous anti-Semitic French Revolution, marching most all that is unique and val- movement led by Father Coughinto Germany, uprooted feudal uable in the Jewish contribution lin.

relations and among other things to American culture. But to the This book has a few faults. For conferred citizenship and civil well-established and American- example, the author refers to the rights upon Jews there, Jews in ized German Jews they were a deleterious role of the Commu-America had been possessed of source of embarrassment and nist Party in the women's garsuch rights for almost 150 years. | fear. Would not their poverty, | ment union, without explaining | ferently colored skin. It was only in the latter part of foreignness and more rigid re- what it was, as if to denominate the 19th Century that social con- ligious practices feed the fires of it Communist were sufficient ditions produced an American anti-Semitism which was al- proof. Among sins of omission is anti-Semitism which marked off ready arising on the American failure to consider whether an-Jewish immigrants and their de- | scene?

scendants from other immi- Paradoxically, American anti.



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Fascism takes root primarily the employing class. among the lower middle class and among the less skilled and now skilled workers from the But what they cannot and will oices

To the lower middle class it says: "We love peace and hate ment. Borrowing largely from violence. All we want is for the

In the slum streets it says to

Among the middle class, the fascists try to create the feeling colored people are not allowed

Among the poor people, the fascists are busy spreading all kinds of lies to inflame their the fascists build up a scab army passions and to divert their quite in Notting Hill, we shall have iustified indignation against rac- the beginning of a mass fascist keteer landlords, employers and Tories into indignation against

a scapegoat: the man with a dif-That was exactly Hitler's

propaganda method in the late twenties and early thirties. Notting Hill today is a breed-

other great depression might ing ground for future British again produce an anti-Semitic Hitlers. That is why all serious movement like that cut short by workers must understand what

is going on there, and what can be done to put matters right. Despite such shortcomings,

this is a very useful book for II. The Meaning of readers both of Jewish and non-Notting Hill Jewish backgrounds because of

There are nearly half a milits comprehensive information and its relating of the Jews in lion unemployed in Britain, and America to their social environ- unemployment is rising among young people. Unskilled workient. G. L. ers are the worst affected.

The Tory government helps the employing class in its offensive against the trade un-Text of a Debate ions, and hopes that unemployment will provide a means of Send for the full text of a

weakening organized labor. debate on "Should Progres-The employers and the Tory sives Work in the Democratic government want a "showdown" with the trade unions. Carl Haessler, former edi-And the same type of industrialtor of the Federated Press, ist who supported Hitler in Germany — there are many of them George Breitman, former in this country — understands editor of the Militant, says very well that a show-down with the unions raises the ques-25 cents a copy, 18 cents a tion of the destruction of the copy for orders of 10 or more unions as an organized force. These industrialists think Friday Night Socialist Forum along exactly the same lines as the fascists are thinking. If we were permitted to see

of Notting Hill? This is part of This does not mean that the the service that fascism gives to police cannot and will not on occasion prosecute individual In many industries there are thugs who attack colored people.

less advanced sections of the colonies, and many of these have not do is deal with fascism as a

If tomorrow strikes break out To crush fascism an iron hand in these industries, if tomorrow is needed. Only the organized unemployment spreads in these Labor movement has that iron ndustries, we can easily see how hand. What is needed is the will race hatred can be used against to use it. he trade unions, against the in-

## terests of the whole working IV. Self-Defense Against Fascism

What is happening in Notting In line with their general pol-Hill is the beginning of a fascist icy of betrayal of the workers' movement among the unorganinterests, the Right-wing leaders ized white workers. The main target is not the colored popula- of the Labor Party do their uttion. For the fascist leaders the most to prevent the Labor movement from understanding what main target is organized labor. is involved in the racial disturbances, and from taking any

> "Leave it to the police," they ry. "Law and order," echo the "liberal" press and the Tory

if colored people are frightened to walk the streets. that is fascist "order."

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cists now, before it is too late. III. Can the Police Do the Job?

#### Monday, July 6, 1959



## **Merchants of Nuclear Death**

If you want to make a quick piece of change, get yourself an armaments contract. That is one of the conspicuous lessons that can be drawn from the two-day discussion in the House of Representatives over the \$40-billion war budget.

Alfred E. Santangelo (D-N.Y.) cited the examples of three companies:

"Boeing from 1952 to 1958 was able to increase its capital investment on the basis of profits made almost entirely from Government contracts from \$34 million to \$145 million. In 1958, Boeing made \$29 million profits after taxes. . . .

"Douglas Aircraft in 1953 had a private capital investment of \$53 million. In 1957, Douglas had a private capital investment of \$111 million and made a profit of \$30,665,000 after taxes....

"Lockheed in 1953 had a private capital investment of \$57 million. Today it has a private capital investment of \$129 million. In 1958, after taxes, they made a profit of \$18,556,000."

Santangelo's complaint was directed only at what he called "excessive profits," not profits in general made by these merchants of death.

And his complaint comes from what one suspects is a tainted source: ". . . it seems that most of these contracts are going to companies who have their plants out West. Eastern contractors are losing their work and the loss of contracts is depressing areas in the East, in New York and Maryland."

Through an amendment he offered, Santangelo sought to "give all companies an equal chance . . . ." If the companies he represents were to get that equal chance, would this Democrat still oppose "excessive profits"?"

Santangelo confined his exposure to ten companies handling negotiated contracts (where no bidding is involved) for the government. The amount involved in the fiscal year of 1958 amounted to \$6,672,-791,430. What the "excessive profits" might amount to in the rest of the budget was not indicated by this spokesman of Eastern capitalists interested specifically in aircraft, missile and radar contracts.

How did such companies as Boeing, Douglas and Lockheed succeed in negotiating contracts that enabled them to double and even quadruple their capital in a few years? They did it by retaining funds for the armed forces, with "retired military or naval officers at inordinate salaries."

Such salaries help accomplish two 2, which we reported in the objectives. First of all, military figures June 22 Militant, showed how who are still employed by the government utopian it is to hope that these but "who may be looking forward to possible employment within a certain organi-abandoning their drive toward zation after retirement can display parti- the catastrophe of war. ality and favoritism without ever realizing it." (Santangelo doesn't explain why they don't realize it.) Secondly, "prominent military figures in retirement can have a great influence over their former subordinates who are still in the Department."

Santangelo's proposed reform was to bar the military brass from accepting retainers or employment with contractors for government orders within five years retaliatory Air Force, the bombof retirement.

This proposal, mild and ineffective as it was, lost 147 to 125.

Santangelo's objective, of course, was to get a more sympathetic hearing in the negotiation of contracts for companies unwilling or unable to pay "inordinate salaries" to retired military figures. That was are going to have a mixed rewhy he did not even whisper about cutting taliatory power with missiles. Do out armaments profits altogether.

The merchants of nuclear death proclaim their patriotism in all the multitudinous ways the Madison Avenue advertising experts can devise. Their patriotism, however, never extends to giving up profits. They would sooner give up patriotism.

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Judging from what Santangelo revealed, it would seem high time to ex- the money to replace the wear- going through over in Korea and, propriate Boeing, Douglas, Lockheed and out. You cannot replace the anthe others to accomplish this.

## Congress Paves the Road to Nuclear War

### By Alex Harte

THE MILITANT

While the world was watching the diplomatic show put on by the Foreign Ministers at Geneva and speculating on whether or not a "summit" conference might be staged this summer that could possibly pave the way to peace, the bipartisan coalition of Democrats and Republicans in Washington went ahead with the real business at hand — preparing for nuclear war.

The House of Representatives took only two days to earmark well over \$40 billion of public the proviso that if they need more it's OK to charge it. The first day of debate June

business might be reasoned into

The June 3 debate provided further illuminating indications of the thinking of the American capitalist class on the, ominous path it is now following. Daniel J. Flood, Democrat from Wilkes-Barre, Penn., contended that the astronomical ex-

penditures for the armed forces are utterly inadequate. "... you talk about your great Day.)

ers," he said contemptuously; "that we are going to destroy the world with our bombers. What bombers?'

According to this Democrat 'three-quarters" of the bombers are "obsolescent." "How do you like that? But we have got to have them. We

not worry about what we can do to them [the Russians]. Anything they can do we can do better, if that makes you feel

especially if you are one of the

short-changed, according to dotted line.' And they signed.

But, in this bill you do not have this rigamarole we have been nual wear-out of your fleet. So, your fleet is going down, down, down; not literally but figura-

Moreover, the war will cost onsideration "fails in its objective there will shortly be no America heavily. "A high ofneed to pass further bills of ficial in the Armed Forces of man here to tell us how it happolitical representatives of big any character or spend more the United States said just the pened. other day that if we are attacked money for any purpose. Similar bills, he said, have by missiles or by bombers, we emerged from barbarism. They been passed each year "since might be able to knock down 10 had no mechanics, no industry, 1945" and all of them "failed to per cent or 20 per cent of them. no inventive geniuses, no scien-

achieve the purpose for which Maybe by good luck, we could they were enacted." knock down a few more. But he We had it all. We were the most (The date mentioned by Can- said that the rest were coming scientific, the most advanced, the non is significant, for it shows through. When they start from most progressive Nation in the how conscious this Democrat is Russia do not entertain any misapprehension about that that the cold war was really more than half of them will hit year to defend the Nation, and started by the Truman adminthe target.' istration - not the Soviet gov-This would "mean the wreck-

ernment — shortly after V-J "SLIPPING"

who are here would go with it. "Every year we have been slipping. Every year we have about that." fallen further behind; further behind in world leadership; further behind in our race with "There will never be another Russia; further behind in our war with rifles. Absurd. We will capability and capacity for nanever send another expeditiontional defense, and further behind in the security of world ary force to Europe. If war came the first big problem would be civilization." (In the interest of accuracy, Cannon should have how to get out of Germany the men we already have there." replaced the word "civilization"

with "capitalism.") The Missouri Democrat expartisan coalition that has enany better. They will kill a pressed amazement at the convisaged Germany as a bridgehundred million of you and we trast between America's posihead for attack on the Soviet will kill a hundred million of tion today and at the close of Union, Cannon did not, of them. Now, is that not ducky, World War II when "upon the course, suggest that American deck of a great battleship, we troops be withdrawn from Gersummoned the representatives many now. of Japan and Germany, the two greatest military powers of their

HOW COME?

Returning to the reasons for the rise of the Soviet Union to "We did not negotiate with world power, Cannon expressed them. We did not go through all what must be in the mind of many a capitalist:

Geneva. We said, 'Sign,' and they signed." Why could America do this? United States in 1945 was the the United States. With refreshing lack of referenundisputed master of the world, ces to being right, or represent-The Army and the Marines are ing "democracy" or "four freealso falling to pieces for lack of doms," Cannon explained: "Bemoney. Is this because there will cause, we were at that time the

economics, will really sit up at this point. be no more Lebanons? "Well, greatest military power the decades that the rises in productivity and want marines to hit the beach-behind the military potential of the Soviet bloc? Cannon sees no

they have more ground troops, branch of the service.

age of every American city. hind every year, every bill."

went for carriers.

sian city off the map."

COSTLY SUICIDE

not want to win a war. We can-

ple destroyed even if we win."

There would be no vestige of

Against Flood's concept of a

'limited" war, Cannon replied:

As a loyal adherent of the bi-

bilized in the history of man-, two and a half billion people, kind, yet in the short time that he said: / "Each year we are has elapsed, since, we are hope- spending about \$18 for every lessly behind. We invented the man, woman, and child on the submarine, we invented the air- face of the globe in preparing plane, we invented the atomic for man's destruction. Yet the bomb. Then the Russians came Congress appropriated last year in, took them away from us, and only \$50,000 for the Senate Subcommittee on Disarmament to went us one better. Today they work on alternatives to the arms have more planes than we have, they have more submarines, race.'

Johnson urged the pack of big business politicians to consider and they are better armed. They are superior to us in every "the overwhelming moral reasons" for "ruling out" war. Ap-

"How did it happen that in pealing to the teachings of "the this bill every year, with the man from Galilee," he reminded advice of the Pentagon, we have whoever might be listening that allowed Russia to outstrip us in "you overcome evil with good; every phase of warfare when we that we should not give ourhad the start and every advanselves up to vengeance; indeed, tage? How has it happened? that we should love our en-Who can answer that? I ask any emies."

None of the Representatives eemed to think that Johnson's "The Russians had hardly

admonitions were superior to the prayers of the professional clergymen who open each day's session with an invocation to the tists. And we had everything. Almighty.

Page Three

#### ECONOMY-MINDED

Much has been made in the world. How has it happened that ress over differences between we have passed this bill every Democrats and Republicans on "economy" in relation to the t has not defended the Nation? stupendous armaments budget. We have dropped steadily be-A lot of this involves nothing more than the jockeying of vari-Cannon offered a "very simous corporations for bigger this Capitol remaining, and you ple" explanation. The admirals shares of armament contracts. are "not interested in subma-One congressman, however, Do not entertain any illusions rines" and "do not want to go Thor C. Tollefson, Republican of down in pig boats." So they Tacoma, Wash., did strike what

eemed to be a sincere note: To catch up with the Soviet "Mr. Chairman," he said, "this Union, Cannon proposed a bill contains almost \$40 billion, method as simple as his explaand I hesitate a little bit to disnation. This is to build a fleet cuss a matter which could mean of "nuclear-powered, missile firsaving of only \$10 or \$20 miling submarines" that "can rise lion per year." Nevertheless he through the Arctic ice cap at any ventured to suggest that miliselected spot and blow any Rustary personnel who are traveling by air "from one assignment to That this would mean little another" should go by coach inmore than suicide was readily stead of first class "wherever admitted by this spokesman of possible. the Democratic Party. "We do

Tollefson argued that this would not work much hardship not afford to win a war. We on America's fighting men becannot afford to have our cities cause "these coach flights are wrecked and millions of our peodesignations only. They are actually first-class flights."

This suggestion got the brushoff from Mahon, reporter for the Byron L. Johnson, a pacifistmajority of the committee that minded Democrat from Denver, worked up the bill. He admitted Colorado, noted that the arma- that "most people in the mili-

ments budget for the current tary and Government agencies "One of the greatest enigmas year amounts to about \$200 for do travel first class whereas of all time is the fact that the each man, woman and child in many citizens otherwise ride the coach flights." But he doubted Calculating the cost on the that it would be "best procedwith the greatest force ever mo- basis of a world population of ure" to prohibit the luxury.

## Headlines in Other Lands

**French Premier** 

Admits, Denies

**Torture Methods** 

ment has taken over three ships and technicians without inherof supplying ited wealth, social position or the guise the Island of Sardinia and re- old-guard political links." His

fuses to bargain with the strik- Civic Independent Party re-

Wages, Prices and Thievery

Since the beginning of World War II in 1939 there has been an almost steady ' rise in prices. From the first, this rise has been blamed on the workers. Their strug-

The monopolists have been telling us for there will be; God forbid ... all world had ever seen. the improvements in mass production es."

## NAVY WEARING OUT

nomical level.

BIGGEST BOONDOGGLE

William E. Minshall, Jr., Re

publican from Cleveland, Ohio,

touched briefly on the business

"The Bomarc program, by the

more professional sales and pro-

motion campaign than has been

every intention of doubling that

if the appropriations bill under minute."

lar boondoggle.

"Never have the Congress and have been sleeping."

a \$2 billion operation. They have will have to fight alone."

speeches was made by Clarence "There is no longer any ally

Cannon, Democrat from Els- anywhere who can protect us

the public been subjected to a NO ALLIES

undred million?"

tively

The Navy is likewise being day; we said, 'You sign on the Flood. "It will wear out in one big chunk at the same time . . .

gle for higher wages to try to keep abreast of soaring living costs has been used as the whipping boy for the price gouging by the manufacturers, merchants and landlords. Whenever the steel workers, for instance, have managed to catch up a bit on rocketing living costs, the steel barons have used this as a pretext to hike their prices. For every additional dollar they have had to pay out in wages they have snatched three dollars more in price rises.

The steel industry has once more launched a propaganda campaign claiming that a steel wage increase at this time, when the steel moguls are enjoying their biggest profits of all time, must lead to a "new round of inflation." In full-page advertisements, in widely headlined statements to the nation's newspapers, in editorials based on industry press handouts, in the columns of the financial pundits, we are being told that any wage increase in the steel industry will inevitably force that industry to raise prices; this rise will spread through all industries using steel and finally force a general rise in prices.

There are going to be widespread rises in manufacturing prices, all right. But the decision to raise these prices has already been made and will be carried out whether or not the steel workers win higher wages or the steel corporations raise the price of steel. This is the startling fact revealed by no less authority than the Wall Street Journal. This informed and sober organ of the business and financial interests in its June 29 front-page lead article states:

"Manufacturers in a growing list of industries are planning to increase prices shortly - even if the steel industry's current labor negotiations do not produce a settlement leading to higher prices for that key commodity.'

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These manufacturers are prepared, of course, to immediately pass on to the consumer any possible steel price hike, reports the Wall Street Journal. In fact and note this especially - some hard goods manufacturers, says the Journal, "have 'escalator clauses' in their sales contracts with customers which make the passing on of any sizable increase in costs almost automatic."

Our readers, who are pretty sharp on

guarantee a decline in prices. Now we are informed that manufacturers- and we and army suggested why such differing economic structures presume they are the ones big enough to emphasis is now being placed He blames it all on "high-rankmake it stick — have built-in guarantees on missile production: of price increases regardless of improvements in productivity.

The truth is, as the Journal further admits, "some executives frankly say a matter with you? He scared you with that sort of sedative, and steel price increase would offer a good to death." peg on which to hang higher price tags that would recoup even more than any additional steel costs."

These manufacturers are praying for a steel price rise, in other words, so they can make bigger profits and yet hold the ed with H-bombs streak through and we had not been able to do steel workers responsible, if the latter are the stratosphere between the it, and for more than a year after compelled to strike and if the steel corporations use this as a pretext for upping the prices of basic steel.

"A steel price increase is something. we can peg a boost on since everybody understands that," the Journal quotes an ever stop his limited war from Of course there are the monkeys. executive of an Ohio appliance firm. "A becoming general. He was not But the Russians made monkeys steel increase can get us all from under vague in his demand that the of us long ago." since we can boost prices to make up for rate of spending for war be liftthe higher steel costs and also get some ed far beyond the present astroof our other costs back that we have been absorbing. If steel prices are raised you are going to see the darndest rash of price increases you ever saw."

This is not simply the view of one or two manufacturers. These preparations for tions: new price steals, which industrialists hope to be able to blame on the steel workers, Air Force's own estimate, al- armaments since 1945 have been had taken place. were revealed as the result of the Journal's direct survey of 150 leading manufacturers. Even the Journal sounds a bit startled by these "frank" admissions that startled by these "frank" admissions that other related expenditures demption - that is a mere the nation's manufacturers are planning bringing the total to \$71/2 bil- chance. It is later — much later to rape the consumers once more and lion. aren't even going to wait to hide behind the back of the steel industry. .

If anyone is still inclined to believe that there is something to this claim that characterized by this billion dol- he sees at the end of the road, "wages drive up prices," the Journal, which does not include many workers among its subscribers, adds a clincher:

"In the past, for each penny added to mills' hourly employment costs after a strike settlement, steel prices have increased roughly from 26 cents to 60 cents call a halt." a ton. Of course, there also have been increases in steel prices in years when there were no strikes."

Who could ask for anything more?

This advocate of a big navy profound reasons lodged in the ing officers" who did not keep "What is the matter with you? up with technology, and who Nobody is going to fight a mis- kept repeating, "We are perfect-

sile war. Snap out of that, ly safe; we can win any war; we Khrushchev and the sputnik can destroy any nation." "They have lulled us to sleep scared you to death. What is the

they got away with it until the Flood thinks that America is Russians put their sputnik into

now "two or three years be- orbit. They couldn't deny that. hind" the Soviet Union in mis- That set them back on their sile production, "but you will heels. They could not explain

catch up . . . you will have mis- that away. We had been trying siles coming out of your ears." to put a missile through the Then what? Will missiles loadstratosphere over a long period continents? ". . . I believe the we were not able to do it. But only kind of war we will fight they did it. "And it is still there. It is still

will be a limited war . . ." That is the sole comforting there for the world to see — our thought this Democratic poli- 'allies, our enemies and the neutician could offer. He remained trals.

vague, however, on what could "And we are still earthbound. So how is the lag in the arms the seven students' authorship.

race with the Soviet Union to Several of the students have be overcome? "Will this bill do been on a hunger strike in a

the work? Will it retrieve the French prison since June 18 Argentine Regime situation? If not, then we are while their lawyers are trying nearing the end of everything to get them released. They con-... It could be the last war bill tend that the Government had we will have opportunity to con- brought "inadmissable pressure

side of America's war prepara- sider.' on the judicial power" by de-It is Cannon's opinion that the claring the torture charges colossal sums of money spent on false before a judicial inquiry

ready has cost approximately \$2 spent in the wrong way. "And **U.S. Reduces** billion. It is expected to cost be- as a result the United States is

- than many of us think. We

Looking gloomily at the war Cannon predicted that America "These high-pressure sales- would have no allies. "The truth men in and out of uniform have of the matter is that we might as parlayed an unproved — and as well concede now that when we yet unavailable — weapon into finally fight, if fight we must, we

#### Italian Seamen figure if we in Congress do not result from ill-will on the part of England and France but from **Tie Up Ships** One of the most interesting their incapacity to do anything.

ers until they return to work. ceived only 60,000 votes in the Angelo Jervolino, Minister of last elections as against Fron-Merchant Marine, has threaten- dizi's four million. His program ed to take over more ships. called for appealing to foreign Ninety Italian ships have capital for development of the Michel Debre revealed June 25 been tied up in ports around country's oil industry - a polthat a secret warning had been the world since the strike be- icy which Frondizi later adoptissued by the government to gan three weeks ago. The sea- ed. army generals. Debre said that men, hit by the rising cost of they will be held "personally living, want a raise in wages.

**Cattle Kings** 

police torture against Algerians Provoke Castro in France were made public Provoked by the refusal of this week. The torture charges big cattlemen to buy cattle were made by seven Algerian students arrested while visiting from small breeders except at tian Science Monitor that a malow prices, Prime Minister Cas-France. The seven wrote a tro announced that all cattle small book entitled "La Ganlands in excess of 3,300 acres grene" which outlines the torwould be seized immediately. ture they were subjected to. The Agrarian Reform Law The book was seized by the passed early in June had not Government, Premier Debre debeen expected to be put into claring that the torture charge was a complete fabrication and effect until next September. However, Castro called the catwas "concocted" by two Communist writers. The publisher tlemen's refusal to cooperate "passive resistance" to the law has denied this and reaffirmed. and therefore "counter-revolu-

> tionary.' **Caught Between** Labor and Military

President Frondizi's regime in Argentina remained shaky even though the political crisis that racked the country for the past few weeks seems to have subsided. A momentary peace was established between President Frondizi and the military when onservatives.

402 students from Lisbon. Coimbra and Oporto universities urged Salazar to retire. The petition complained against obscurantist teaching doctrines, political repressions in univer-

Increasing opposition to Saltives of "opposition" parties in azar's dictatorship comes from the cabinet means that Fron- several organizations. These indizi "would swing toward the clude the Christian Democratic political forces that supported movement representing 100,000 the anti-Peron revolution of members of a Catholic Action 1955 for popular backing for group; the Liberal Democrats economic policies." who unite elderly intellectuals

Alvaro C. Alsogaray, the new and some younger writers and Four striking Italian seamen Minister of the Economy, per-professional men; the Socialwere arrested as 300 pickets sonifies the new cabinet. He ists; and the Communist Party

berry, Mo. His theme was that for one day, one hour or one clashed with police on a pier represents "a new entrepreneur with a reported membership of last week. The Italian govern- class of self-made managers between 3,000 and 5,000.

Aid to Poland

last year's grant. An editorial signify any diminution in our friendship or our admiration for

### them as a people." America's isolation will not

## ing tortured, French Premier

Meanwhile new charges o

responsible" for any maltreat ment of Algerian prisoners.

Admitting in effect that captured Algerian rebels were be-

Meanwhile the economic crisis continues. Last year the cost

> of living rose 50.7% and is still rising. Four general strikes in the last year point to the mounting discontent of the powerful Argentine labor movement. And Bertram B. Johannson notes in the June 26 Chrisjority of army officers, while still supporting constitutional government, "are not pleased over the fact that Frondizi con-

tinually uses troops to quell strikes and thereby generates. anti-military feelings in the labor movement.

**Portuguese Protest Police Torture** 

Dictator Antonio de Oliveira Salazar is ignoring protests against the torture methods of the Portuguese secret police. Reports of brutality have been stifled due to police interfer-

ence and censorship.

When a signed document was sent to Salazar protesting police torture, government officials labeled the 45 signers as "Leftists" and "crypto-Communists." The group included six priests and many well-known

Recently a petition signed by

The third U.S. economic aid he took extreme rightists into agreement with Poland will his cabinet this week. The old provide \$44-million of farm sur- cabinet resigned last week expluses and \$6-million of polio cept for three military secrevaccine to be paid for in Polish taries to prevent a coup by oldcurrency. The amount is half of line military officers.

They charged that Frondizi comment in the June 12 New had received support from York Times said, "We hope that former President Peron in the sity life and inadequate facilthe Poles will understand that last election. The N.Y. Times ities. the reduction in aid does not reports that placing representa-

## Letters from Our Readers

## THE MILITANT

## **Reacts to TV Show On Teamsters Union** Editor:

I saw a TV program the other union itself in dealing with the night that was above average. truck owners.

But democracy in the Team It included films of meetings of the Teamsters Union at sters Union is certainly in sad In Tennessee Town which Hoffa spoke. Also inter- shape and this is a big weakviews with members of the ness that makes the union vulunion, both pro and con in re- nerable to attack from the politicians, both Democratic and Regard to Hoffa.

My feelings were mixed. The publican, who represent the Southland. sponsors of the film were doing truck owners.

their best to hit at the union without being too obvious about should clean up the bad prac- the question of what can be the Columbia Broadcasting Sysit. They therefore had to in- tices. That bad practices do done to oppose the Democratic tem reminded the committee clude a lot of facts and these exist is undeniable. This was political machine which runs that there had been 36 presishould be of concern to every proved by the films showing things. unionist who has done any how Hoffa runs a meeting. A In the town where I am now worrying about the government real dictator.

attack headed by the McClellan It's very difficult to build a committee.

couraging to see such a power- in the Teamsters. The testimony ades ago. If a union as strong that.

But there is no other way. as the Teamsters ever goes into politics it will be a bleak day Even if it has to be an under- tour as a speaker it would sure statistic, typical of every camfor the Democrats and Repub- ground movement to avoid vic- be wonderful to have him come timization, the militants have through here. licans.

Also I sympathize with Hoffa's got to do it. That kind of conbackers in the rank and file clusion is the best answer in

home the pork chops. That's union such as this TV show what the union is for even if represented. they get Hoffa's leadership O. T. Road mixed up with the power of the New York

Few Job Openings

Editor: There are plenty of things to

The biggest problem is to find pot" candidates. To block McClellan the union work and keep it. Then comes

movement on a program of demust say that the group leader-

First of all, it's highly en- mocracy for the rank and file ship is far from vigorous. We hope to become more acful union. This is a far cry of those who felt Hoffa's heavy tive in the near future in prefrom the situation a few dec- hand was plenty eloquent on paration for electoral activities in the fall.

If Robert Williams makes a

## Here's My Card

Notes in the News

- By Gordon Bailey ·

My neighbor's door was open. I heard voices. "I'm sorry; I am not interested."

"But, lady, with a subscription to Cue you get this unabridged dictionary."

I was interested. I could use a good dictionary, and Cue, the New York entertainment guide, is a handy publication. Maybe we could make a deal

As my neighbor's door closed, the salesman turned to me. His shoes glistened; his hair gleamed; his tie was in exact center. Only the top of his collar showed a slight wilt from the moisture on his neck.

"How much is it?" I asked.

"Just a minute," he said, "Let me show you what you are getting." He opened the heavy dictionary in the middle and lifted it up by two or three pages. "See," he said; "hand sewn. The pages will never fall out."

"Looks good," I said. "How much?"

He ignored my question. "It's an unabridged dictionary." He, said. "Do you know what unabridged means?" "Sure," I said. "But what's the deal?"

He replied with a definition of the term "unabridged" that sounded like it was memorized from the dictionary. "And here is how to look up a word."

"Look," I said as he showed me how to find "patriotism" in the dictionary. "What does it cost?" "Now let me tell you about Cue . . ."

"I know about Cue," I said. "I am in a

hurry. What's the combination offer?" He took a neat pad from his pocket and covered it with impressive figures. "Twenty cents a copy . . . issue a week . . . 12% discount .. three years." I saw him write \$27.36.

"I am sorry," I said; "but that is more than I can afford right now."

As I started to close the door, he put his foot in the opening. "But you haven't heard the price yet!"

"That is what I have been asking you from the beginning," I said, just as if he didn't already know it. "I see \$27.36 there. It is more than I can afford."

His voice was calm, collected, and soothing. "You don't pay that. You just pay me \$3 and you get the dictionary right away."

"Yes. But how much do you collect from me later?"

"I don't collect anything more from you." His eyes shifted a little when I stared at him. "You get billed by the company through the mail."

I moved the door until it touched the shine on his shoe. "It's only \$35," he said; "and we

will throw in TV Guide free." "Thanks," I said. "We don't have a TV. Can't stand the advertising."

"It's a wonderful opportunity," he replied. "You may not get another chance. I sold pending legislation in Congress the equal-time rule. six orders already this morning; and all to that would virtually eliminate prominent business men."

"I'm not a prominent business man. Only a worker trying to get by." He swallowed and seemed to droop a little

as he pulled his foot out of the doorway. "Well, it was nice meeting you. If you know anybody that needs a dictionary, here's my card.'

who praise him for bringing my opinion to attacks on the VOLUME XXIII

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tion campaigns because the stations could not give equal news be done here in the dear old coverage to an allegedly vast number of "splinter" and "crack-

Frank Stanton, president of dential and vice-presidential aspirants in 1956, implying that located, a few people hold mem- the stations had given equal bership in the NAACP but I time to all of them and that the number would increase as a result of the Daly decision.

Omitted from his testimony was the fact that only a third of these 36 candidates (including the major ones) actually received any air time. This single paign, suffices to demonstrate that there certainly are "grave abuses" of the equal-time law A Reader - abuses committed by the Tennessee broadcasters with the indulgence of the FCC.

To buttress Stanton's case, Rep. Cunningham gravely opined that the Daly decision would bring "at least 5,000 candidacies for the Presidency next year." This "problem" is more than adequately handled by discriminatory election laws which bar all but a handful of minority candidates in most states.

ty candidates.

Farrell Dobbs, 1956 SWP Presidential candidate, bringing message of socialism to the American people in a broadcast made possible by "equal-time" law. Current moves to kill law are designed to limit air waves to candidates of Big Business.

when a newscast showed him | compelled by the statute in my filing his nominating petitions view."

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On March 9, Rep. Cunningand accepting political endorsements. It correctly held that the ham told the House: "It has news format did not alter the been suggested that the Comfact of "use." mission's recent ruling is an ef-

Employing the same yard- fort on the part of the Comstick, the commission voted 4 to missioners to force Congress to 3 that use was extended when clarify this section [315]. I have newscasts showed the Mayor at no proof of such a motive, but the height of his campaign I do believe Congress should greeting the president of Ar- act to clarify this situation."

gentina and making an appeal On June 18 the FCC recomfor the March of Dimes. mended that Congress exempt The correctness of the inter- newscasts from Section 315. pretation of the Daly decision Three days later, Jack Gould, as applying only to "use" was television critic of the New York conceded by FCC member Fred- Times and an opponent of equal erick Ford in a June 28 tele- time, wrote: "The latter move vision panel on the issue. Other tended to confirm reports in participants were William Price some quarters that the FCC had of the UI-SC, Senator Hartke purposely stood behind its inand Richard Salant, a CBS ofterpretation of Section 315 in order to convince Congress that

During the debate, Ford said: it was up to the legislative body "Well I think we ought to get to make the necessary revithis in perspective, what we are sions.'

talking. about is not political This conspiracy to snuff out coverage, or coverage of polit- the already flickering right of ical news. The only thing this freedom of the air for minority affects is the picture or voice of groups should be energetically resisted both to defend the electhe candidate."

That was the only objective toral rights of such groups and point Ford made in the discusthe right of the public to hear sion. The balance of his per- all views.

In an exchange with Senator formance substantiates the impression that the FCC staged Hartke during the TV debate, the Daly decision to provide a William Price declared: "We peg for the clamor against equal would fight this on our own be-

to see. Because without a pre-At the outset of the TV de- sentation of alternatives that view, the statute enacted by policy . . . then it is the voter . . who is compromised and In the Lar Daly case, the FCC Congress compelled this decihad been extended to incum- I would like to emphasize that real freedom of the voter which

The Bill Would Stifle All Voices of Dissent

The Hartke bill would also set erning political broadcasts. Un- could define any existing minorder existing rules, if a radio or ity party out of the area of free TV station accords free time to debate. Its definitions of legitione candidate for public office it macy for political parties are must accord equal facilities to even more severe than the al- City. all other candidates for that of- ready restrictive election laws fice. Price gave his testimony be- of the various states.

Our position on this and on Committee in Washington on basic nature of the equal-time ballot victory which made his- But the overwhelming majority rule.

(The following excerpts are cussions, debates or similar type and Harriman, when they chose may be legislative remedies for major parties is virtually confrom testimony by William programs. The language of this to court the vote of ethnic this situation than for it to rush ceded by one of the Hartke bill's Price, executive secretary of the part of the Hartke bill would groups were given full publicity headlong into legislation which strongest proponents, Frank New York United Independent- effectively eliminate minority when they munched cheese would further restrict the voices Stanton, CBS president, who has Socialist Committee, opposing parties from the protection of blinzes or Italian salami, but that can be raised under existing said: "The bill recognizes the never was there a word of rec- FCC regulations and policy . . . political reality that normally The history of the United ours is a two-party system. Up ognition of the program of the the "equal time" regulation gov- up qualifying provisions which Independent-Socialist Party or States might have been com- to now, broadcasters have been forbidden to recognize this fact the statements of its candidates pletely different or, in a sense, which was considered "news- non-existent, had George III of political life."

worthy" by the radio and tele- possessed and monopolized such This quote gives the show vision stations of New York channels of mass communication away. From the head of a nearas we know today. monopoly, it is understandable. The pre-revolutionary Com- But it is a mis-reading of Amer-And yet the Independent-Socialist Party had conducted a mittees of Correspondence, at ican political history and of the successful petition campaign to first a small minority, were able realistic wisdom behind Section committee of the Senate Inter- other bills is first of all that any get on the ballot in New York to use only slowly duplicated 315. It is a candid plea for postate and Foreign Commerce legislation should not alter the State against tremendous odds. personal letters and the face to litical conformity and for the But more important than the face conversation of neighbors. elimination of political dissent.



MONDAY, JULY 6, 1959 **Radio-TV "Equal Time" Imperiled** 

**RAT-BITES** — A four-year-old child was taken to a New York hospital June 18 after being bitten on the left hand and ear by a rat while she was sleeping. The next night her parents were again awakened by screams and had to take the child back to the hospital to be treated for new rat bites. The Health Department told the landlord of the Harlem building to close up the many holes in the walls and floors of the rat-infested apartment and issued a summons for violating the sanitary code. Such a violation is considered a misdemeanor and is usually punished by a small fine. \* \* \*

SLUM TRAGEDY - New York City registered its first death from rat bites when a fourmonths-old baby succumbed June 25 after being rushed to a hospital. The mother, Mrs. Rose Fox, 21, said she saw no rats in the baby's carriage but realized what had happened when she saw the infant covered with blood from bites on the head, arms and legs. His cries had awakened her. The Health Department served the landlady with a summons for maintaining a building with "active rodent holes." Last year 565 rat bite cases were reported in the world's wealthiest city. Of these 442 occurred in Manhattan, mostly in Harlem.

CREEPING SOCIALISM. - A proposal to set a minimum wage of 50 cents an hour in Texas was denounced as "socialistic" and "taking away of free enterprise" by spokesmen for hotel, restaurant and farm employers of that state.

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**UNFAIR CHEESE** — Teamster union pickets in Oregon and 10 other western states are asking grocery-store customers to refrain from buying the orange-colored cheddar bearing the famous Tillamook label. Fluid milk handlers, now getting \$2.19 to \$2.24 an hour, need an increase of 30 cents an hour. The Tillamook County, Ore., Creamery Association is offering 10 cents. The boycott is legal since it consists of advertising to customers. Farmers belonging to the association have set up counter-pickets urging customers to refrain from patronizing stores that don't handle the cheese. Customers are favoring the union pickets, so that sales have dropped \$80,000 a week. One of the factors making the manufacturers stick tough is the government's program of buying surplus farm products. The government checks could amount to \$61,000 a week. \* \* \*

BLUE CROSS PRICE BOOST - New York State Insurance officials cannot be accused of lack of sympathy for the efforts of Blue Cross to show lucrative profits. Ten months after granting the hospital insurance group a 22.3% boost in rates they gave them another whopping 26.5% increase. They sugar-coated this bitter pill for Blue Cross users by criticizing the outfit's high administrative costs. Louis Hollander, Vice President of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers and a member of Blue Cross's board of directors, asked, "What's the rush?"

He said that the latest boost should have been held up pending further investigation of Blue Cross but he failed to urge that it be replaced by an adequate government-financed health plan such as Britain enjoys.

MOLDERS CELEBRATE CENTENARY -The International Molders and Foundry Workers Union of North America is celebrating its one-hundredth anniversary. William H. Sylvis, president from 1863 to 1869, was the leading spirit in organizing the union. Sylvis, one of the prominent inspirers of the eight-hour movement in America, helped lay the foundations of the AFL. Most famous member of the union was Tom Mooney. Framed up in the 1916 Preparedness Day bombing, he was saved from a death sentence and finally pardoned in January 1939 after a 22-year battle supported by workers throughout the world.

NEW YORK SCHOOL INTEGRATION -Some 300 white parents of the Glendale section a plan to transfer 1,000 Negro children to under-used schools of the area. They carried placards reading, "Don't Tread On Us." A counter-demonstration of Negro parents from the overcrowded Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn carried signs saying, "This is New York City, Not Little Rock." They were accompanied by a handful of Negro children. "We want to show our children to the Glendale mothers to let them see if they have anything to fear," said Mrs. Beatrice Wadlow, president of the Parent-Teacher Association at P.S. 26. Various groups are rallying in support of the transfers.

\* \* \* AMERICA'S PAUPERS - The Social Security Administration reported June 27 that more than 7,000,000 Americans are dependent on public aid for subsistence. This does not include those drawing unemployment insurance or old-age pensions. None of them can be said to be living in luxury. Monthly payments to 2,433,000 men and women drawing old-age "assistance" range from \$108 in Connecticut to \$29 in Mississippi. The national average is \$64. Monthly payments to 2,916,000 receiving aid heads on the chopping block, fighting against government for dependent children averages \$28 for each and this they cannot contem- control of the unions without child. Monthly payments to 109,000 blind per- plate without flinching. They giving in to the bureaucracy's sons averages \$68. Some 331,000 permanently and totally disabled average \$64 a month. And er (with the utmost trepida- this road, the long-range, union-1,250,000 people other than the above categories tion and hesitancy, of course) busting tendency of the capitalon public relief average \$26 a person.

LONGSHORE INTEGRATION - Another step toward integration among New York longshoremen was taken when officers of Local 1814 of the International Longshoremen's Associa- pelling the capitalist attack on Chicago has ruled that strike tion announced June 22 that they had agreed to submit a proposed merger with the all-Negro settle accounts with the bur- ing was made on an appeal by a Local 968 to a vote by the membership. Accordeaucrats.

ing to the agreement 13 officers of Local 968 estimated 25,000 longshoremen are Negroes.

This committee has before it itical arena in the United States. deal in the problem of public ternatives on the crucial issues We urge this committee and opinion — that an appearance on of our times . . .

fore the Communications Sub-

June 25. — Editor.)

an outgrowth of the historical of importance. aspirations to guarantee freedom in the market place of ideas.

way be used to turn the clock ship when in fact they have to protect and expand the areas censorship against minor parof free political discussion. We ties for years. see an attempt to do this, es-

The campaign of the Indepenpecially in the Hartke bill, (S. dent-Socialist Party in last 1858) which would exempt not year's New York State election only newscasts from the equal- illustrates the radio-TV "blackof Queens picketed City Hall June 25 to protest time rule, but also panel dis- out of silence." Both Rockefeller



(Continued from Page 1) must go beyond exercising control over the unions; it must to setting up the present state seek ways to eliminate them. of affairs, to then appeal to the tally an effrontery to the voters day! and must pass through some there no limit to the employdecisive stages of battles before ers' double-crossing propensities? it can realize its objective ---

but the tendency is a powerful Union militants and revolutionary socialists view the sit-

one nevertheless and expresses itself in the employers' continuous probings in the field of more and more crippling antiunion legislation

bureaucrats respond with such attacks of big business. The elimination instead of the curbare even forced to consid- anti-democratic policies. Along

the mobilization of the union ist class will be defeated.

rank and file for combat. But along that road the danger exists that once the ranks are in struggle they won't stop at reunionism. They will go on to benefits are not taxable. The rul-

Above all the union officials in taxes has been paid under would be guaranteed comparable posts in the are filled with indignation when protest by Kohler strikers since merged local, including two seats on the wage- the capitalist politicians use the the start of the strike. If this descale committee. About 3,000 of New York's issue of union democracy to cision stands all this money will late the Fourteenth Amen press their attack. This is in- have to be refunded.

We also support the reason- ory in New York State politics of monarchs who opposed them proposed legislation which able extension of equal time to was the opportunity thus pro- had, at best, hand set type and would effectively eliminate the newscasts. The Daly decision re- vided to present to the New the unamplified voices of the voice of dissent from the po- cognizes a fact known to all who York State electorate real al- town criers.

The great midwestern Populist movement of the late 19th Centhe Congress not to tamper light- radio or television by a political The fact is that if the voters tury ... was still carrying on its ly with Section 315 of the Fed- candidate, even under circum- had relied on radio and tele- political debate in a country

ficial.

eral Communications Act and stances not directly related to his vision newscasts for information where there were literally thousthe "equal-time" rule which is candidacy is a publicity factor on the ballot alternatives, they ands of independent smallnever would have known that town newspapers able and often If problems for the broadcast- such alternatives as ours were willing to ally themselves with

ers derive from the Daly de- within their reach in the voting a minority party, instead of the sponsored by United Indepen-Difficulties envisioned by the cision, it is nevertheless with booth. This is not an atypical few great chains and news ser- dent-Socialist Committee. Keep broadcasters as the result of the somewhat ill grace that they story, it is frighteningly typical. vices which now dominate the in touch with other indepen-Lar Daly decision should in no now cry of de facto FCC censor- Such a record is remote from the scene.

description of a federally liback on the centuries old fight practiced their own brand of censed facility which is presumed to act in the public interest . . . It is difficult to get on the bal-

nor party to surmount the re-

important electoral states as Ohio, Illinois and California. against World War I, testify to Such laws passed with bi-parti- their effectiveness. And the tessan approval of the two major timony becomes still more impressive when we realize that

parties are not only discriminadeed a betrayal! After all the the electorate was less than a tory against the political groups fine cooperation which went ininvolved, they are fundamenquarter of the size of ours to-

The union-busting drive, to be worker rank and file on the of such states inasmuch as they sure, is a long-range tendency issue of union democracy! Is deny the voter full access to the have not only largely supersedelectoral process by restricting ed the press, they have also minhis right of free choice.

Such discrimination pervades the legal election machinery throughout the United States. Even under the equal-time uation from a completely difrule, the burden of proof was alopoly of all election effort.

ferent standpoint. They see the ways on the political group incontradictory relation between volved. These groups, limited in the bureaucracy and the cap-

This explains why the union italist state as only a distorted their resources, were required to devote considerable time a: reflection of the basic class conan agonized reflex to menacing flict in society. They believe in ergy to the monitoring of casts, to the sometimes co vigorously fighting for union democracy without calling for cated and usually time-co ing of the unions puts their government intervention and in ing negotiations to secur time.

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NON TAXABLE ITEM

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It would make more sen Congress to investigate many of these election law and to ascertain whether there 6 P.M. daily except Sundays.



NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY AREA

Socialist Sociables to enliven your summer. Series of events dents and socialists. SAVE

Even in 1916 there were, as THESE DATES: yet, a substantial number of July 12, 8 P.M. — Starlight comparable ways in which mi-Forum. Watch next week for featured speaker. Also William nority groups could present their views for public consideration Price, UI-SC Executive Secrelot in New York State, it is an in competition with those of the tary, will report on equal time absolute impossibility for a mi- major parties. The million votes fight. (All Starlight Forums will cast for Eugene V. Debs, the take place on Sunday evenings strictive election laws in such great American socialist labor on the Terrace Penthouse, 10A, 59 W. 71 St.) leader then in jail for protesting

July 17-19 - Weekend at Mountain Spring Camp, Washington, New Jersey.

July 26, 8 P.M. - Starlight Forum.

Aug. 1, 12 noon to 6 P.M. -Picnic, Annette T. Rubinstein's summer place on the Taconic

But today the radio and TV P'kway at Shrub Oak, N.Y. Aug. 9, 8 P.M. — Starlight Forum. imized the effect of street meet-

Aug. 16, 8 P.M. - Starlight ings, personal debates or for-Forum.

ums, and all other forms of cam-Aug. 22-24 — Weekend, Camp paign activity. A monopoly of Wingdale, Wingdale, New York. those forms is, virtually, a mon-For further information, write to UI-SC, 799 Broadway, New The desire for such an elec- York 3, N.Y.; or phone GR 5-

,	devote considerable time and en- ergy to the monitoring of broad- casts, to the sometimes compli- cated and usually time-consum-	Local D	irectory
	ing negotiations to secure the time. Minor parties have still never had anything like equal time. They cannot afford the hundreds of thousands and even millions spent by both Republicans and Democrats during a presidential campaign. But Section 315 has guaranteed a bare minimum ac- cess to the air for those few mi- nority parties which were able to make the serious effort neces- sary to place top candidates on the ballot. It would make more sense for Congress to investigate how many of these election laws vio- late the Fourteenth Amendment	BOSTON Boston Labor Forum, 295 Hunting- ton Ave., Room 200. CHICAGO Socialist Workers Party, 777 W. Adams, DE 2-9736. CLEVELAND Socialist Workers Party 10609 Su- perior Ave., Room 301, SW 1-1818. Open Wednesday nights 7 to 9. DETROIT Eugene V. Debs Hall, 3737 Wood- ward. TEmple 1-6135. LOS ANGELES Forum Hall and Modern Book Shop, 1702 E. 4th St. AN 9-4953 or WE 5- 9238. MILWAUKEE 150 East Juneau Ave. MINNEAPOLIS Socialist Workers Party, 322 Hen-	Newark, N. J. NEW YORK CITY Militant Labor Forum, 116 Univer- sity Place, AL 5-7852. OAKLAND - BERKELEY P.O. Box 341, Berkeley 1, Calif. PHILADELPHIA Militant Labor Forum and Socialis Workers Party, 1303 W. Girard Ave Lectures and discussions every Satur- day, 8 P.M., followed by open house Call PO 3-5820. SAN FRANCISCO The Militant, 1145 Polk St., Rm. 4 Sat. 11 A.M. to 3 P.M. Phone PR 6 7296; if no answer, VA 4-2321. SEATTLE 1412-18th Avenue, EA 2-5554. Lit- brary, bookstore.
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