Shall Lynch Murder **Be Made Illegal?**

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By Carl Goodman

known.'

The world did not exactly gaze in awe at the "grandeur | Packinghouse Workers comes as of France" when De Gaulle's government exploded its first | something of a shock to unionatom bomb Feb. 13 in the Sahara Desert. Though De Gaulle ists without experience in a exulted, "Hurrah for France! cher for all Africa," declared Since this morning she is stronger and prouder," the reaction throughout the globe was far Republic in Cairo. less reverential.

"The government which acted as a butcher in Algeria is now trying to act as a but-

783 'Model-T' **Bombs** Ignited

A batch of 783 "obsolete" incendiary fire bombs were de- Morocco announced the abrogatonated in one afternoon last tion of its agreement with month at the Rocky Mountain France whereby French embas-Arsenal near Denver. An ar- sies handled Moroccan affairs public office. Whether they are bomb load dumped from a plane would have the incendiary power to set 29,754 separate This was termed the fires. "Model-T way to wage war."

The jellied gasoline bombs were exploded a few hundred yards away from an outside storage area containing thousands of barrels of nerve gas so deadly that a single droplet in the eye can prove fatal. People in the area have complained about the casual way of the French government build- Wilson plants. storing a poison sufficient to ing. In Munich, members of the of the world.

🗕 Too Many Babies? 🗕

The Peril Mounts

To Our Way of Life

By Joseph Hansen

Third in a series of articles.

Licked Thirties New York, N.Y. Editor:

bosses.

I find that Wilson & Company's savage attack on the tand-up fight against the

None of the devices of labor

Wilson

officials of the United Arab

Morocco's leading party, Istiqlal,

be perpetrated today."

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statesmanship seem to work. In Ghana, the government of Every sign of weakness in the Kwame Nkrumah froze all as-

union leadership is met by a toughening of company policy. sets of French firms "until such time as the effects on the popu-A company ultimatum on lation of Ghana of the present wages and conditions is arrogatomic explosion and the future antly hurled at the union. Preexperiments referred to by the ferential job status is demanded for scabs who have replaced French Prime Minister become strikers. These strikers are offered nothing more than a place "Gesture of folly," is how

in line at the company's employment office. described the test. On Feb. 15, Scab herding is helped along by the connivance of both Democrats and Republicans in

senal official told the Rocky in a number of countries. Rabat judges, mayors or governors; Mountain News that the same also summoned home its ambas- whether they act openly or through sly maneuvers — they sador to Paris, and labor in key all wind up in a strikebreaking cities waged a four-hour protest role. strike against the French action.

The Tunisian government ex-, federal government will inter-A danger has arisen that the pressed itself "shocked and vene through the National Lahurt." On the morning of the bor Relations Board to decertify explosion the nationalist press the AFL-CIO at Wilson's and announced: "French crime to hold a new representation election. The object will be to mo-In West Berlin, students at bilize the scab vote in a move the Free University held a pro- to certify a company union as test demonstration in front of the sole bargaining agent in the

These consequences of today's "overkill" the entire population Committee Against Atomic inept union leadership stand in poor contrast to the outcome of past labor struggles in the pack-

ing industry. A case in point concerns the Wilson plant at Albert Lea, Minnesota, where the current battle has been the fiercest

In The Thirties

When the CIO packinghouse union was being organized in the thirties the same plant was struck and a similar fight developed. Police and special deputies seized the union hall, broke the

How About Some Lunch?

NEW YORK, N. Y., MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1960



Negro students seek counter service at F. W. Woolworth Co. in Rock Hill, S. C., Feb. 12. Management refused service at the "whites only" bar and closed the counter. White racist youths jeered and heckled and threw an egg at the Negro demonstrators.



LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 12 "principles" and their appetite

stir among the top labor brass. Although such threats of poli-Journal commenting on an ordinance introduced by Alderman William W. Beckett, a Negro, to compel Louisville's theaters. hotels and restaurants to admit Negro patrons on the same basis

The editorial notes that a local duced roars of indignation and the "friends" the recent Florida "art" theater has been enjoy-The efforts to arouse the public to do something about scabs into the plant. egregated

Negro Students Spread Battle Through South

Price 10c

Sit-Downs Against Jim Crow Force Lunch Bars to Close

By George Lavan

A tide of youthful militancy in the struggle against Jim Crow is flooding the South. Already it has swept into cities in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tenn-

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 14-

The "Solidarity Caravan,"

union headquarters to drop off

the food and cash, they were

handed the first issue of a news-

paper, News from Albert Lea,

being published by the strikers.

Buttons and car stickers carry-

ing the slogans "Don't Buy Wil-

son" and "The Wilson Label is

a Disgrace to Your Table" were

passed out to the caravan.

essee and Florida. Begun by 🔶 Negro college students in Greensboro, North Carolina, on Feb. 1, it has been surging on Southern campuses for three weeks and is now involving large numbers of Negro high-school students. The Greensboro action was Wilson Strikers school students.

planned by four freshmen at the Agricultural and Technical Col-"Solidarity Forever" was the ege, a state-supported Negro intheme both in song and action stitution in that city. These four pioneers — Ezell Blair, David Richmond, Franklin Mc_{-} theme both in song and action yesterday as 6,000 trade union-ists joined in a caravan to the Lain and Joseph MacNeil—had strike-bound plant of Wilson & formed a Student Executive Co. in Albert Lea. Committee for Justice. They chose a nearby five-and-ten-cent

organized by the Minnesota store (F. W. Woolworth), heavily State AFL-CIO gave the patronized by the 3,000-member strikers \$17,000 in cash and student body, as the first place 180 tons of food. to bring some justice. .Hundreds of cars and trucks, The four student leaders enlining the highway for miles,

tered the store Monday aftercarried local union names and noon (Feb. 1) and sat down at numbers and slogans of enthe lunch counter, which is "for couragement to the Wilson. whites only." strikers. When they were refused serv-As the cars stopped at the

quietly at the counter till the the Democrats a lesson-not to struggle involving their racist store closed at 5:30 p.m. Next On Wednesday, the sitdown group increased to 45 including a few courageous students from several white

A mass meeting of 2.800 jammed the Armory to hear Attempts to negotiate a setlement with the store failed speeches by local and district ofwhen management refused to ficials of the United Packingtalk with student representahouse Workers and top leaders tives. The local manager had of the state AFL-CIO.

The highlight of the meeting wired F. W. Woolworth headquarters in New York and had was a talk by a Wilson striker

And Eastland By Tom Kerry It seems a law of labor coali- AFL-CIO high command is now tion politics that the more re- preparing to sit out the 1960. mote the election the more mili- presidential campaign" to teach ests are undergoing an inner tant, demanding and critical are the labor statesmen. And con- take the support of labor for versely, the closer the election granted.

date the more meek, mild and submissive do they become. The ringing ultimatums of a Walter Reuther - "You

can't have us and Eastland too!" — are quietly pigeonholed as election time draws near.

by Congress of the Kennedy- well under way. So . . . to as whites. Landrum-Griffin "killer" bill in- allay any fears on the part of the union tops. It's high time,

said AFL-CIO President George

Meany in September, to scotch

the idea that "electing Demo-

crats means electing friends of

labor." With the betrayal of la-

bor by the Democratic "friends"

"We soon found out that, if

we got any more victories like we had in 1958, that vic-

fresh in mind, Meany added:

tory might ruin us."

for profits. The WSJ article created quite This was reflected in an edi-

tical reprisal against the Democrats had been repeatedly voiced last summer, the labor statesmen never intended that they be taken seriously. Espe-Last summer the enactment cially now that the campaign is

-Some southern business inter- ice, they continued to sit

day they returned and were joined by 27 more students from A. and T. and from Bentorial in yesterday's Courier nett, a college for Negro women. colleges.

venting the human race from multiplying too fast have not been favored with much success. Even the prediction of a planet so crowded that standing room will be at a premium does not seem to have struck home. Somehow it seems unrealistic to worry about having to elbow the camel and dromedary aside in the Sahara a thousand years from now, about vying with eagles for perches in the Himalayas and competing with the penguins for living N.Y. Pickets space on the Ross ice shelf. It even seems implausible that the swarm of babies will become so great that like a plague To Hit A-Test of locusts they will devour all available food.

A number of authorities seem to recognize this weakness in our psychological defenses against the human baby picket-line demonstration in and have therefore sought to shore them up by showing front of the French Consulate the Atlantic City UAW convenhow the new foe threatens all we hold dear. The Hugh General in New York to pro- tion-in preparation for a per-Moore Fund, for instance, in a free pamphlet, "The test the French government's sonal visit from friend Ken-Population Bomb," considers human fecundity in relation recent explosion of an A-bomb nedy—put over a resolution in the Sahara. to war, peace and communism:

Hundreds of millions of people in the world are hungry. In their desperation they are increasingly susceptible to Communist propaganda. . .

'U. S. taxpayers cannot feed the world. And much as we would wish to help the earth's hungry millions we cannot even dent the problem with dollars....

'Today the population bomb threatens to create an explosion as dangerous as the explosion of the H bomb, and with as much influence on prospects for progress or disaster, war or peace.

"But while the H bomb is only being stockpiled, the fuse of the population bomb is already lighted and burning. Every day adds 135,000 people to the population of this planet.

"No time is to be lost. The peril mounts daily. Our way of life, if not the actual existence of ourselves and our children, is at stake."

Margaret Sanger, the noted advocate of planned parenthood, who has fought for decades for the public's right the 1958 union elections, is plan- tempt to secure a court accountto free access to birth-control information and birth-control ning to run a full slate against ing of money spent for strike smuggled out of the country to ment with the Pope. Trujillo devices, wrote in a letter to the editor of the New York him and other international offi-Times:

"Birth control, family planning and population limitation are most important in any effort to bring real peace in the world. Less population will bring less war. Fewer people means more peace."

We cite this not to discredit the good work Margaret Sanger has done in fighting against reactionary views and of the leaders of the Rarick opreactionary laws on birth control, but to show how the position. A principal target of "population explosion" question is being brought into cur- the dissident group's present atrent economic and political issues. The late Dr. Antoinette Kanikaw of Boston who niepocend in America in the fight Konikow of Boston, who pioneered in America in the fight The newspaper of Local 1211 for a progressive attitude toward birth control, would have charged that the claimed 39taken issue with Margaret Sanger's belief that fewer people cent hourly increase actually necessarily means more peace. Dr. Konikow, one of the comes to only 20 cents. founders of the Socialist Workers party, held to the Marxist position that the causes of war are economic. She also sub- before the strike that they pected show of strength in the head of a Senate unit on Latin- sonable doubt" but consider the scribed to the Marxist view on the population question. We will consider this view later.

Lawrence Fertig, a Scripps-Howard columnist voiced-(Continued on Page 2)

The strikers sent out an appeal for help. In jig time flying squadrons of packinghouse workers from the Hormel plant at nearby Austin and truck drivers from Minneapol-(Continued on Page 4)

The

man said.

ald.

That was in September. In Sane Nuclear Policy October the process of rehabilitating the tattered "friends" was Committee has scheduled a begun. The Reuther machine at

Congress who had voted for the The picketing is planned for Saturday, Feb. 20 and will be-"killer" law. gin at 2 p.m. The French Con-

Sit It Out? sulate is located at 934 Fifth

Avenue between Seventy-fourth But the betrayal still rankled: and Seventy-fifth Streets. Several student organizations refused to go along with the and twenty have been convicted tic" about what Trujillo will do. have already agreed to join the whitewash. demonstration, a SANE spokes-On the basis of information years, according to Feb. 12 AP

provided by prominent labor dispatch from Ciudad Trujillo.

Rarick Planning New Bid For Top Steel Union Post

The Dues Protest Movement struggle we got a bag of bishops in the country issued a by pledging their loyalty to him. in the United Steel Workers, crumbs."

which challenged the machine It is also reported that the of President David McDonald in rebel group is sponsoring an atlikely to win much sympathy ship. cers next year, according to the from other opponents of Mc-Feb. 4 Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph. Donald Rarick will prob-Donald. ably again run against McDon-

Rarick and Mamula also rapped McDonald for giving up the four-cent cost-of-living in-

The announcement was made crease due under the old agreeby Nicholas Mamula, president ment. of Aliquippa Local 1211 and one

Mamula said that he and other union officials had urged McDonald not to sign a new contract until the companies of Mamula's local.

The Rarick group had pledged was stunned by Rarick's unex- Smathers, Florida Democrat and bell "guilty . . . beyond a reawould not criticize the union last election, has issued a state- American trade, has visited 30-year sentence "excessive." officialdom until a settlement ment replying to criticisms of Trujillo. At a press conference They also asked clemency for was reached. When the new the settlement. It termed the Feb. 9 in Ciudad Trjillo, he an- Harry Gold and David Greencontract was signed, Rarick de- agreement an "outstanding vic- nounced that the dictator had glass, government witnesses in clared: "After 116 days of tory."

resolution of reassurance. The resolution disavows "poli- gests that the city could attical neutrality," and affirms tract the lucrative business of that "the AFL-CIO will actively conventions of interracial support candidates favorable to church and welfare groups if the principles and ideals sup- they were assured that deleported by the American labor gates would not suffer discrimmovement." However, AFL- ination. CIO bodies are specifically in-

The editor suggests that busistructed to refrain from particinessmen desegregate volun (Continued on Page 4) tarily.

Trujillo **Opponents** of Sentenced to

Dictator Trujillo has admitted | municipal elections within . that widespread opposition year.

exists against his regime. On The pledge followed a discus-Feb. 12 he stated that a Janu- sion in which Smathers'said he ary "conspiracy" against his sought to persuade Trujillo to

"smashed" and that 127 persons a representative government. A number of top union leaders had been jailed. One hundred Smathers said he was "optimis-

They Say, "No Thanks"

According to Edward C Dominican refugees have Burks, writing in the Feb. 10 placed the toll of those arrested New York Times, Trujillo acat several thousand. Many of tually sent letters to eighty-one these, they report, have been persons a few weeks ago urging tortured, killed or allowed to die them to form parties if they in Trujillo's dungeons. On Jan. wanted. All eighty-one, evi-31 the six Roman Catholic dently sensing a trap, answered

pastoral letter read in all That the dictator is sorely churches denouncing the un- pressed was indicated by the campus in Seattle after a Jewish Osterman won the election speakable cruelties of the re- fact that his foreign minister has gime. The letter had to be been seeking to reach an agree-"propaganda." The move is not get past Trujillo's tight censor- also has announced a new prostration.

gram of giving land to 50,000 Revolucion, paper of Castro's peasants and constructing fur-July 26 Movement, reports how nished homes for them free of the trials of Trujillo's oppon- charge.

ents have been conducted: counsel for the defense had only

one minute to acknowledge the Sidney Hook Joins guilt of their clients." In Plea for Sobell

Continue Activity

tivity.

The union bureaucracy, which Meanwhile, Sen. George A. "atom spy." They believe So-

pledged to hold free multi-party the witch-hunt trials.

been given orders to deal with who said, "I started working the situation as a local problem By Friday, scores of Negro playing American flags, had

oined the demonstration. On Saturday, Woolworth management, claiming it had re- my head high in the air; and, ceived a bomb threat, had the

police clear the store and then closed. The Negro students considered the closing of lily-white facilities the next best thing to their desegregation. They jubilantly proceeded to the S. H. Kress lunch counter. This store quickly shut down.

On Monday, Feb. 8, the vote for repeal of the student Woolworth and Kress stores in loan "loyalty" oath proviso has Greensboro reopened but with been signed by 115 faculty memtheir lunch counters closed. At 10 a.m. that morning, 22 in Columbus.

Negro students from North Carcounter in Durham.

They were refused service and him just a week to get the signatures.

Seattle Student Punished For Scorning Swastika

A sharp controversy erupted at his truck, with the cry, at the University of Washington | "Catch this, Jew!"

student was officially punished as an independent running for replying to insults hurled at a gainst fraternity-supported him in an anti-Semitic demon- candidates. In a statement to the press on Osterman's suspension, Tony Chase, Inter-Bruce Osterman, 18, president-Fraternity Council president, elect of the freshman class was suspended from his office for said: "The issue is purely a moral one. This Osterman has the rest of the academic year by led everybody to believe that the Student Judiciary Commithe was discriminated against tee. The charge was conduct

ignore the narrow-minded

street-screamers who yelled

University President Charles

Odegaard said he is looking into

from out of the gutter . . ."

because he's a Jew and inde-'unbecoming to a candidate." He pendent." had made an "indelicate" gesture An editorial by Mary Richwith his arm to a crowd hurlardson in the University ing obscene epithets at him. Daily declared: "How can During a campus 'election they smear a young man for parade Jan. 20, a car bearing being human and completely

a swastika flag pulled into line ahead of Osterman's truck. As nity house, someone in the crowd shouted, "Eat it, Jew!" Osterman replied with the the affair but hasn't yet made "indelicate" gesture which he

a careful study of it. described later as a "pure re-In past weeks, swastikas have flex.'

been scrawled on the university Farther down the parade buildings and elsewhere on the route, firecrackers were thrown campus.

Sidney Hook, Nathan Glazer, Basing itself on Dominican Irving Kristol and Dwight Macagreed to rehire 30 men fired sources, Revolucion says that donald, in a letter published in for participation in "wildcat" Trujillo is preparing new ar- the Feb. 16 New York Times, stoppages. Eight of these vic- rests, but that the revolution- called for clemency for Morton

timized unionists are members aries are continuing vigorous ac-Sobell, convicted in 1950, along the truck approached a fraterwith the Rosenbergs, as an

thirty-year rule had been begin a peaceful transition to

and received sentences of thirty

Years

through the union that we were townspeople, some of them dis- able to better our wages and working conditions. I walked out of the plant when the strike was called four months ago with

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for Wilson thirty years ago for

nine cents an hour. It was only

A petition urging Ohio congressional representatives to bers at Ohio State University

George Hochfield, English deolina College and four white partment instructor who scored students from Duke University the oath requirement as a "politook seats at Woolworth's lunch tical intrusion into the conduct of academic affairs," said it took

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Oath Attacked At Ohio State





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THE MILITANT

Monday, February 22, 1960

strong jail in the state capital to

the unguarded Poplarville jail.

There was no investigation of

the frame-up of Parker by the

(The witnesses against him

were three Negro friends and

relatives who said they had

heard him declare his intent to

rape the white woman. Two of

these escaped to Chicago after

the lynching and told how their

"testimony" had been fabricated

by the sheriff who then coerced

them into repeating it. The FBI

report relates that the white

woman's husband refused to join

the lynch mob because his wife

wasn't sure Parker was the at-

It should be further noted that

the FBI has displayed no inter-

est in the intimidation of the wit-

nesses who appeared before the

federal grand jury in Biloxi. Yet

it is common knowledge that

they had been warned they

would be run out of Poplarville

If they gave any damaging testi-

Finally, Congress, and par-

ticularly the White House,

have other means of bringing

great pressure on state offi-

cials and local communities-

by the refusal to pass or ex-

pend appropriations benefiting

them, by the transfer of fed-

eral installations, by cutting

off all political patronage. Of

course, none of these sanc-

tions were taken against Mis-

The record shows that despite

the crocodile tears neither the

Democratic nor Republican poli-

ticians in Washington really care

Poplarville sheriff.

tacker.)

monv

sissippi.

Dread Foot-in-Mouth Disease Troubles Head of AFL-CIO The Parker Case Millions Shared Her Grief **Haunts Congress** There was no probe of Judge By John Thayer Sebe Dale's convenient decision o transfer Parker from the

Observers of the labor move- These are but surface manifes- among Negroes in organized lament are speculating about tations of the AFL-CIO top bu- bor. This mood is reflected in AFL - CIO President George reaucracy's irritation, now turn- the growing restiveness of low-Meany's seemingly sudden in- ing to alarm, over the move- er echelon Negro union officials. eptitude on issues concerning ment of Negro unionists to or-Sharpening this mood into Negroes. They cite his outburst ganize and speak for themselves consciousness and giving it a at A. Philip Randolph at the and their interests within the program and organizational last AFL-CIO convention and unions. form is the new Negro Ameri-

his recent attack on Congress- Dissatisfaction with the lip can Labor Council. Proposed by man Powell as examples of service given to civil rights by A. Philip Randolph, dean of "foot-in-mouth disease" and the labor bureaucrats while they Negro union leaders, given ask how Meany has contracted maintain or condone varying temporary form at a conference degrees of discrimination within last November in Cleveland and this ailment. The answer is simple enough. their own unions is widespread regional conferences since, the



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an opinion widely held among capitalist economists:

"Economists disagree on the solution of many important economic problems in the world today, but there is one subject on which there is nearly unanimous agreement. That is the premise that overpopulation is the greatest threat to economic progress and the maintenance of political stability in most of the world today. This issue cannot be avoided or pushed under the rug.'

If babies constitute the "greatest threat" to economic progress and political stability, it would indeed seem inadvisable to sweep the issue under the rug. We had better focus major attention on it. Fertig even suggests an authority we might profitably consult among the economists: "The tendency for populations to outrun the food supply against Jim Crow within the la- Southern racists could afford to was brilliantly discussed over 160 years ago by the Rev. Thomas Malthus in his famous Essay on Population." We will follow that suggestion after surveying the views of today's authorities.

Dr. Alan F. Guttmacher, chief obstetrician at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York, says in a book he just published:

"Reckless population growth without parallel economic growth . . . makes for a constant lowering of the standard of living. Such a decline, with its concomitant mounting poverty and hunger, leads to political unrest.

"Today that kind of unrest inevitably delivers a population to some ism, whether it be communism, fascism or Pan-Arabism, and weans them away from democracy."

It's amazing that modern babies, if born in sufficient quantities, should be inclined to easy weaning away from democracy and toward some ism, including Pan-Arabism, and but the head obstetrician of Mt. Sinai Hospital must have Meany has had to do precisely Congress, the politicians figure helped bring a lot of them into this world and therefore the authoritativeness of his view seems beyond question.

Moreover, he is not alone in his conclusions. Joseph J. Spengler, Professor of Economics at Duke University, would agree, at least in part:

"What I'm afraid of is, if India, for instance, doesn't do something, it will become filled with people with aspirations for a much better life whose expectations won't be met. What will they do? They very likely will turn to the Communists or to some group that believes in a highly centralized state, which the Communists might in time take over.

"The immediate danger in India is that private and public enterprise can't improve economic conditions rapidly enough if population continues to grow rapidly. Many people will come to feel frustrated, and this will play into the hands of the Communists.

Another eminent authority sees even grimmer possi- in the former CIO unions pose-adopted to further Nixon's a good job. By the time the bilities. Robert C. Cook, president of the Population Ref- whose "liberal" bureaucracies bid for Negro votes-is that it FBI pulled out of the case a erence Bureau, thinks "nothing is more important to the are just as desirous of a dormant tried its best to bring Parker's month later, the unorganized human membership.

By George Lavan

Drafting the civil-rights bill n Congress is proceeding as if the lynching of Mack Charles Parker had never taken place. Neither Democratic nor Republican leaders display the least intention of incorporating any antilynch provisions in the bill now under consideration. They are limiting its few meaningful sections solely to "plugging loopholes" in the voting "guarantees" of the 1957 Civil Rights Act.

Fighters against Jim Crow NALC will be formally founded want the strongest possible at a convention to be held in guarantees of Negro voting Detroit on May 28. rights in the pending legislation, Randolph reports the movement is "spreading like a but at the same time they should prairie fire" and present inraise a great outcry demanding that other civil-rights guarandications are that over 1,000 delegates will attend the tees—especially an antilynching founding conference. provision-be included. Other-As the NALC stokes its furwise they are falling into the naces for the founding conven- very trap set for them by the tion, the temper of the AFL- capitalist politicians who passed CIO bureaucrats, and their top the toothless 1957 law.

man, Meany, gets hotter. That law, it will be recalled But the organization of the passed without a filibuster. The NALC evokes more than irri- deal fixed up by Senate Demotability from the top labor lead- cratic Leader Lyndon Johnson ership. To try to "prove" that between the Southern wing and the NALC is "unnecessary" the the Northern liberals was that AFL-CIO tops are themselves the bill would be so feeble and forced to take certain actions so restricted in scope that the oor movement. let it pass. Thus the Negro peo-

Thus the Brotherhood of ple "got" a civil-rights law con-Railway Trainmen last month taining little, and the Dixiecrats struck the lily-white memberlost as little. ship requirement out of its

- Little Bits at a Time

due but welcome act is the result of pressure brought by political situation in the Demo-Meany and other top AFL-CIO leaders on the BRT ofcratic party. The 1957 law set the perspective that for years to It now enables Meany to come the fight for civil-rights

claim that events have proved legislation could be confined to him correct in opposing Ran-"improving" the 1957 law. dolph's demand at San Fran-Thus last year and now the

cisco that the two rail brotheronly seriously considered moves hoods be given an ultimatum to in Congress are those restricted excise the lily-white clauses. to amending the 1957 Act. And, But in order to refute Randolph unless an absolutely airtight votprove himself "correct," ing provision is passed by this enough to draw out of their Randolph demanded - that in 1961 and 1962 any civil- dormant antilynch bills. Southwhat force the BRT officials to revise rights pressure on Congress can their constitution.

Problem in CIO, Too channels of still further im-If Negro unionists keep up the provements of the 1957 act.

constitution. This long over-

ficials.

pressure the one remaining , If this strategy were to pressure the one remaining the achievement of a rounded including CIO, the Brotherhood of Fire- civil-rights program, including men and Locomotive Engineers, legislative enforcement of school will be forced to similar action desegregation, Fair Employment Practices, etc., could be stretched on its constitution. It is not only in the old AFL out for 50 or 100 years of "libcraft unions that the NALC is eral" Congressional sessions. up against bitter opposition That is why a great public defrom the entrenched bureau- mand for an antilynching provi-

crats who want no stirrings sion in the current bill is so among the rank and file. The important. sharpest struggle at present is The administration's current



Mrs. Mamie R. Bradley wept bitterly as the body of her son Emmett Till, 14, was returned to Chicago from Mississippi where he had been brutally lynched in September, 1955. The men who murdered him boasted publicly of their foul deed but went unpunished. The case sparked mass protests in the North and renewed demands for an effective federal antilynch law.

was a great welling up of indignation here and abroad. To placate it and to forestall its pressing for drastic action, two men spoke out: Mississippi's Governor J. P. Coleman and President Eisenhower. Both deplored the lynching. Gov. Coleman requested that the FBI help report. Mississippi State Police investi-

rights laws. luctance to investigate crimes against Southern Negroes, was

being ordered into the case. Public pressure was great pigeonholes in Congress two

ern Congressmen took alarm and be diverted into the narrow began issuing statements that no federal law was needed because state laws were perfectly ade-

quate to punish lynchers. Alabama's Attorney General appeared before a Senate Judiciary subcommittee to testify that the bills were superfluous because his and other Southern states had even sterner penalties for

lynching. At his April 5 news conference, Eisenhower declared no federal antilynching law was needed because the FBI and Mis-

sissippi police were doing such lynchers to trial but couldn't get pressure for action against

This was a further "coolingoff" period to disperse and dissipate the national and international sentiment for punishment of Parker's lynchers. When finally the Pearl River County grand jury met it did not even bother to hear the

To absolve itself, and with an eve on the 1960 Presidential on proving the Poplarville dep-But there was more to the mended Coleman's attitude and campaign, the administration at uty sheriff's complicity with the deal than solving the immediate announced FBI entry into the this point made another gesture mob. The federal prosecutors'

move for federal indictments easier for the Biloxi grand jury under two old and mild civil- to adjourn without any indictments Even here the punches were

spiracies participated in by a enough official and unofficial ocal law-enforcement officer, leaks to perceive that the inthe other applied to conspiracies vestigation was deliberately conby any and all persons.

The Department of Justice laims the second law may not be constitutional and to save the U. S. Supreme Court the bother ficial.

of deciding, it voluntarily restricted its scope to the limits of the first law, that is, to a conspiracy involving a local of-This made the whole case hang

Attorney General Rogers' failure to do this made it all the

Though the FBI report still reculled. One law applied to con- mains "secret," there have been

about Mack Charles Parker or future lynch victims. All the more reason to launch a powerful campaign now demanding an fined within the narrowest limits antilynch law.

... Negro Students Spread Fight

(Continued from Page 1) the counter was shut down by mulated their strategy. It is ers that Negroes would not management. The group then twofold: (1) to prosecute the again undergo such treatment proceeded to Kress's and then to Walgreen's Drug Store, both ing" and (2) to break up these In solidarity with the Negro of which promptly closed their obviously peaceful demonstra- students, CORE (Committee on counters as soon as the students tions on the pretext of main-Racial Equality) and other entered.

At noon in Winston-Salem, a lone Negro sat down at the Kress lunch counter and, when refused service, continued sitting. The item was broadcast on the radio and within a few hours he was from the Negro Teachers' end of the next day they had caused the closing of five

| local authorities have now for- | demonstrators, later told report-Negro students for "trespass- | without fighting back.

aining public order-the dis- groups in the North have begun order being supplied by white picketing dime-store chains inracists and teen-agers who are volved. Students at City College tacitly encouraged by the police of New York are pressing for to insult, provoke and attack the formal action by the student government in support of the Thus North Carolina Attor- Southern anti-segregationists. ney General Malcolm Seawell, (See editorial, page three.)

joined by scores of students advised store owners that The student movement in the though there is no law requir- South is giving new inspiration, College in that city. By the ing lunch counter segregation, as well as providing valuable Negroes can be prosecuted for lessons in direct mass action, to the Negro people and their

gate the crime. Eisenhower com-This persuaded many people that for once Mississippi lynchers would be brought to justice. For now the "alwaysget-their-man" FBI, which had long been notorious for its re-

future of the human race than world-wide understanding of the dangers inherent in too rapid population growth." He continues:

"Failure to curb this growth in underdeveloped countries will gravely impair economic development. Unless living levels improve substantially, economic, social and political deterioration will be followed by chaos and greater misery. "Democracy could not possibly survive such a debacle."

Greater misery, famine, the end of democracy, the triumph of communism, war, chaos — these are what stare unions will be in jeopardy if us in the face if we don't succeed in getting the underdevel- they become active in the oped countries to cut down on births. That's the way an NALC. But, he said, they are impressive number of authorities size it up. It would be one-sided, however, not to note a dissident opinion.

reports that the business of supplying the immediate needs of babies passed \$4,000,000,000 in the United States in 1959. Future prospects, she thinks, are even brighter. She predicts that the current average spending on each child during the year will amount to \$1,000.

It can be argued, of course, that this is a slap-happy outlook due to prejudice. The Dorsey Company happens to be the country's largest manufacturer of plastic baby wear.

However, more objective experts can be cited. Richard Rutter takes a rosy view in the New York Times:

"What does the population 'explosion' portend for the national economy? Overseas, it should mean a tremendous opportunity for investment, especially in underdeveloped

"Back home, the impetus to the economy from the sheer addition of numbers may prove even more dramatic."

Rutter submits that this is not solely his individual opinion:

"There seems little doubt that - barring a major international war - the growth in population will largely dictate the course of the economy. Already, the economists and other observers are referring to the forthcoming decade as, variously, "The Soaring Sixties,' 'The Golden Sixties,' 'The Fabulous Sixties.' Glowing forecasts are being made by the sheaf-full."

A lot of problems must be solved beside the little one of avoiding a major international war, Rutter admits. "But, as of now, at least, the consensus is that the problems will be solved — with far-sighted planning as the key — and Meany's attack on Powell, these and absenteeism, which Meany that the Sixties will be genuinely an era of spectacular deplorers ask that their names also cited as reasons for his opgrowth and prosperity.'

One wishes that Rutter had told us more about how to achieve the planning that is the key to handling the rising population; unfortunately he ran out of space and was barely able to mention it in his last paragraph.

Such optimists, it must be emphasized, are decidedly in the minority. They sound like stout but isolated voices in the wilderness of gloomy writings on the population problem. Probably they reflect nothing more in the final analysis than the brave tinkling of the cash registers, doomed to be drowned out in the caterwauling of the advancing horde.

(Next week: Can the foe be stopped?)

The extent of opposition may an indictment under existing be gleaned from a New York laws.

Herald Tribune interview (Feb. This very excuse should be 14) with A. Philip Randolph. the basis for demanding that Correspondent Joel Seldin Congress pass an adequate wrote: "Mr. Randolph would antilynching law. Instead, the not give the names of other White House sees no need for [NALC] leaders because, he such legislation and neither said, many have already been Nixon nor his ally, Attorney warned by their labor-leader General Rogers, raises the employers that their jobs in subject.

An Eloquent Record Here is the actual record of in the unions with large Negro the federal government in the memberships and mentioned the Parker case:

When the story of the brutal steel and auto unions, the build-Mrs. Helen Dorsey, president of the Dorsey Company, ing trades and the hotel and res- and unopposed mob murder taurant unions.'

Coal Miners Hit Meany;

The lead editorial in the cur-|Council meeting in Bal Harbor,

rent United Mine Workers Jour- Florida, contradicted Meany by

nal, official organ of the coal declaring that Powell would be

Powell would make a "terrible" tirement would give the chair-

gressman.

fine voting record on matters of it is racism they are after, there issue.

Though reporters, trying to a segregationist repeatedly and Hospital.

Southern Manifesto.

interest to working people." are plenty of worse racists in

get reactions in labor circles, was a signer of the notorious

that most attacks on Powell on Sen. Eastland."

chairman of the House Educa- manship to the Harlem Con-

Defend Powell's

tion and Labor Committee.

The UMW Journal declares

emanate from Dixiecrats "sim-

have been able to cite some

labor officials as "deploring"

So far none of the big-shot

Walter Reuther, Emil

liberal labor bureaucrats, such

Mazey, etc., have stated pub-

licly where they stand on the

ply because he is a Negro . .

of Negro citizens."

not be given.

issue.

hood

lynching had dissipated. Congress quietly dropped the antilynch bills back into limbo,

Burnham

Sat on Report

the time it suited Mississippi's

Nat'l Guardian

sat on it for six months.

burst on the front pages, there

Record

racist. He has declared himself

As for Powell's voting record

lunch counters in the downtown area. Tuesday morning, some 200

students from Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte em-The FBI statement that no barked upon a campaign which violation of federal law was in- resulted in closing eight downvolved in the Parker case was a town lunch counters by nightlie and was so proven seven fall. The same day Negro stumonths later when U. S. Attor- dents of Fayetteville State Colney General Rogers found it ex- lege caused the closing of pedient to ask for federal in- Woolworth's and McCrory's dictments in the case. But at lunch counters in that city. On Wednesday morning, some Gov. Coleman perfectly. He took 300 students from Shaw Uni the secret FBI report and simply versity and St. Augustine's College staged sit-downs at six

lunch counters in the heart of Raleigh, the state capital. Similar actions took place in Eliza-beth City, N. C., and High Point, N. C.

Crosses State Lines

On Thursday, Feb. 11, the sitdown movement crossed the state line into Virginia where Louis E. Burnham, an asso- students at Hampton Institute

> The following day it spread to Rock Hill, South Carolina, when students from two Negro junior colleges took seats at the Woolworth and McCrory lunch counters. When these were closed, the demonstrators proceeded to two large drug stores with similar results. Here the first violence oc-

curred. A white youth struck a Negro knocking him off a counter stool, and a bottle of ammonia and an egg were thrown at the Negro students. Police made no arrests. a vigorous fighter for the rights Powell, is an open and avowed after he was taken to the em-

ergency room of the Polyclinic The same day, 41 Negro stu dents in Raleigh, N. C., were For twenty-five years Burnarrested on charges of tres-

passing at the Cameron Village ham participated actively in the struggle for Negro equality. Shopping Center and held in \$50 bail each. Though standing on A graduate of City College of New York, he became Southern the sidewalk when arrested, the manager asserted that the shoporganizer of the American Stu-

position to Powell's becoming dent Union in 1936. In 1941, he ping center sidewalk is private chairman, the Afro-American (Feb. 20) has done an interesttook the job of organizational property. ing compilation. Using the secretary of the Southern Negro By the end of the second

AFL-CIO's own voting-record Youth Conference. In 1948, he week, anti-segregation sit became Southern organizer of downs had taken place in Nashstatistics on Congress, it points the Progressive party, during ville, Tenn., and Deland, Fla out that in the last seven years there have been 30 votes on the campaign of Henry Wallace The opening of the third week

The only important labor issues affecting labor. By the for the presidency. with further demonstrations in leader to take issue with AFL-CIO's own count, Powell For seven years he edited the High Point, N. C. and Ports-Meany remains A. Philip Ran- voted "right" 22 times, "wrong" monthly magazine Freedom, mouth, Va .- mainly by Negro dolph, president of the Brother- twice, and was not present for published by Paul Robeson. He high school students-indicates of Sleeping Car Porters roll call six times. Barden, on joined the staff of the National that the movement is far from and an AFL-CIO Vice-President. the other hand, voted "right" Guardian in 1958. spent. Randolph, the only Negro at-only five times, "wrong" 20 A men tending the AFL-CIO Executive times, and was absent five times. planned. A memorial meeting is being

Caught originally by surprise, the white supremacist state and trespass. The American Civil Liberties Union immediately wired a protest to Seawell: "The statement attributed to

peaceful demonstrators.

vou may be taken as a threat o persecute students for their legitimate assertion that under the 14th Amendment, as American citizens, they are entitled to equal treatment."

The police pattern is equally obvious. Under orders not to beat up the students because of the glare of national and international publicity, the police in Greensboro and every other city have permitted known racist and white teen-age gangs to congregate around the students waiting for service and to

jeer and insult them.

Typical are the accounts from High Point on Feb. 15. Police

allowed a crowd of whites to congregate in front of the Woolworth's where Negroes were conducting a sit-down. When the Negroes emerged they were attacked by the whites. Police arrested one white and two Ne-

groes Earlier 30 Negro demonstrators leaving a suburban shopping center were attacked at the bus stop by 50 to 75 whites who pelted them with showballs and in sults. The police, who were present in force, made no effort to stop the attack. Rev. Elton Cox, head of the High Point



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white allies throughout the country. It is the most important thing now happening in the United States.

Wait Till You See This

A new advertising device called, "Skyjector" uses mountains or the sky as giant billboards. Throwing as much light as 92 million candles, it was given a trial run in New York where color pictures of a Pepsi-Cola bottle, Richard Nixon and Brigitte Bardot were flashed on the wall of a tall building. Labor, voice of the railroad brotherhoods, suggests that with a pie-making sponsor we'll really have "pie in the sky

If Negro History Week reminds you to fill in some of those gaps in your knowledge, here's a good list of books to start studying.

Start with These

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miners' union, blasts AFL-CIO a distinct improvement over ciate editor of the National hit the Woolworth and Kress

As to the allegation of "rac- ple for equality and to the prothat Rep. Powell "is well quali- ism" against Powell, Randolph gressive movement in America," fied in every way to become commented: "Whatever his wrote James Aronson for the

Writer, Dies

President George Meany for present labor committee chair- Guardian, died on Friday night, stores. 'sheer stupidity" in saying that man, Rep. Graham Barden Feb. 12, apparently of a heart Congressman Adam Clayton (D-N.C.), whose impending re- attack. He was 44 years old. "His death is an almost irreparable loss to this newspaper, to the struggle of the Negro peo-

chairman" and that he has "a faults, why pick on a Negro? If Guardian staff in the Feb. 22

The editorial further points out Congress. Let them pick first ing a lecture he was giving for Negro History Week before the

Ironically, Rep. Barden, whom Intercultural Society in New Meany finds so preferable to York. He died within an hour

Burnham was taken ill dur-

Monday, February 22, 1960



Cuban-Soviet Trade Agreement

Wall Street is making a glum face at the current diplomatic initiative of the Soviet Union in Cuba. The Manhattan bankers take a sour view of the \$100,000,-000 credit granted to the Castro government. And the news was not cheerfully received among Wall Street's political representatives in Congress that the revolutionary government succeeded in getting an order from Moscow for 5,000,000 tons of sugar in the next five years at the current world market price, one-fifth to be paid in dollars, four-fifths in Soviet machinery.

Actually the Kremlin drove a hard bargain. It buys Cuban sugar for around three cents a pound. The retail price in the Soviet Union is ten rubles a kilogram. At the official rate of exchange this would amount to \$1.12 a pound, at the tourist rate, 45 cents. The \$100,000,000 credit is likewise advantageous to the USSR, for it will be expended on Soviet products and it draws a respectable 21/2% interest until it becomes due in 12 years.

In face of the virulent campaign which Wall Street and its servile spokesmen have mounted against the Castro government, the Cuban people hailed the trade agreement as a very favorable development.

The Cubans appear to be keenly interested in the Soviet Union. The Soviet Exhibition is attracting heavy crowds in Havana as it did in New York. Mikoyan, Khachaturian and the other visitors are getting cheers and ovations as they tour the hospitable island.

As part of the celebration, Revolucion, newspaper of Castro's July 26 movement, utilized its entire Monday supplement Feb. 8 to eulogize achievements of the USSR. The topics covered science, agriculture and the co-operatives, heavy industry, culture, motion pictures, the theater, music, architecture, literature, education, styles, sports, and the youth.

Conspicuously absent was anything about Soviet politics, sociology, or history. Castro, of course, maintains that his movement represents "humanism," something different from either communism or capitalism.

The Cuban revolution, nevertheless, is showing the influence of what happened in Russia in 1917. Considerable inroads have already been made on the holdings of the big landowners and capitalists, especially foreign imperialists, and deeper inroads appear in sight.

On Feb. 4 Major Ernesto "Che" Guevara, head of Cuba's National Bank, affirmed the government's intention to impose controls on from 51 to 100 per cent of Cuba's basic industries. This would, for the time being at least, take metallurgy, fuels, agriculture and heavy industry out of private hands.

Virtually every issue of Revolucion reports fresh "interventions" bringing more enterprises under government control.

The Cuban leaders have likewise demonstrated their awareness of Soviet experience with co-operatives. By the beginning of this month a total of 385 agricultural and cattle, and 19 fishing, co-operatives had been established.

And, of course, the Cuban people have been enjoying for a year now such immediate benefits as the reduction of electric on Feb. 11 constituted another bills by a third and rents by a half.

The Cuban revolution still has a long ways to go before it can be said to have become firmly consolidated, but the social and economic upheaval is proving to be of gans should by many farmers also seems to be in opposition their readiness to tackle the fasgreat depth and power. Where the revolubattled De Gaulle's cops. tion is weakest is in program and political leadership.

In turning toward the Soviet Union recent eight-day rebellion are taking a direction that corresponds with the deepest needs of their revolution. In torturing and kining made, this with satisfaction and add only the ciplined by De Gaulle last early pages of the political history of the Russian revolution.

Pass By Woolworth and Kress!

sophomore student.

worth stores in New York.)

The inspiring fight being made by Negro students in the South to end discrimination at public lunch counters warrants vigorous supporting action from opponents of the Jim Crow system throughout the country.

We are glad to report that steps toward such action are already being taken in New York and we hope that similar moves

Yet the farmers had not come to Amiens to demonstrate their support for the Algerian colons The paper reports that a petition de- or their hateful cause of keeping the Arabs enslaved forever. signed to stimulate "immediate action" by About 30,000 farmers from seven the college Student Council in support of departments rallied at the call the Southern sit-downs is being circulated of the National Federation of

hero, too

among campus leaders by Fred Mazelis, a Agricultural Producers to protest the fall in agricultural prices and to blame De Gaulle The petition asks the Council to or- for their plight.

ganize student support "in the form of The speakers were militant. rallies, petitions, picket lines, or any other One of the farm leaders de-



"Did you know the State Department is honeycombed with French fellow-travelers? That's how De Gaulle stole our atom-bomb secret"



By Daniel Roberts

pushes them to the wall, the gaining the initiative can be eli-A riot of farmers in Amiens small farmers and storekeepers minated by timely action. The do not remain wedded to the working people must find a way warning to the French workers status quo. The big business to break the paralysis imposed that their political inactivity and they seek out the most the avenues of struggle against opens the door to fascist gains. "Long live Massu" and "Aldynamic and aggressive-appear- | De Gaulle's regime. They must geria is French" were the slo- ing force in the country that also find a way to demonstrate among the 1,500 or 2,000 that to the capitalist class and its cists should the latter again atruling politicians.

These were the slogans of the They want new leaders and a fascists in Algeria during their new perspective.

Finally, they must open On crucial occasions in the campaign to replace De Gaulle's with friendly interest, the Cuban people against De Gaulle. Gen Massu, past the great mass of the farm- regime with a government of head of the paratroopers, expert ers and shopkeepers have ral- workers and farmers. If the in torturing and killing Arabs, lied behind the working-class workers demonstrate that they movement. This was notably mean business, the rebellious Every revolutionary socialist will greet army officer corps, was dis- the case in France in 1944 and sections of the middle classes 1945, when the working class, will undoubtedly find their prowish that they study more intently the month. This touched off the led by the Communist party, gram far more attractive than Jan. 24 Algiers insurrection. seemed headed for the socialist anything the fascist demago-Three weeks later, farmers in overturn in the wake of the regues can offer. Many valuable Amiens, in the far north of sistance against the Nazi occu- fighters for socialism will be

France, proclaimed him their pation and against the Petain-Laval quisling regime.

Helped Restore Capitalism

not lead the masses to the creation of a socialist government. They betrayed the revolutionary aspirations of the French working people. They entered into a "national union" government

that restored the power of big business. In subsequent years, the CP

and Socialist party leaders repeatedly choked off the mili-



Herbert Hoover and the Karl Marx Virus

During the depression, burlesque comedians had a routine that rolled the patrons in the aisles. The comedian would rush up to a cop and whisper urgently in his ear.

"It's just around the corner,' ganizations, fronts and cults," he explained. "These agents of inthe cop would respond. "Don't give me that Hoover line," the comedian would roar. fection are like hermit crabs "I gotta go!" The butt of this un-American 'liberal,' 'progressive,' 'public humor was Herbert Hoover, who electric power,' 'managed ecohappened to be president when nomy,' 'the welfare state' and a

the stock market crashed in half-dozen others." 1929 and 10 to 15 million jobs vanished for a decade. There was quite a bit of formay think the picture is too eign-type agitation at the time stark. They should have been and even suggestions that the

present. government offer some form of economic aid to the millions of Another speaker was one J.

idlers. Such proposals were rejected Howard Pew, former president by President Hoover. He paof the Sun Oil Company. He tiently explained that the econsaid that a number of business omic dip was highly temporary men in the United Presbyterian and that "prosperity is just Church could not support the around the corner.' denomination that was sponsor-Even more important, he ing Hoover because its prostressed, were the moral issues nouncements "frequently coininvolved. Federally sponsored cide with Communist objecsocial welfare would pay lazitives." ness a premium and spell the

beginning of the end of our divinely conceived free-enterprise system. Well, that prosperity finally

came, just like he promised, although it took a world war to When monopoly capitalism (The threat of the fascists do it. And now Hoover is recognized as a prophet. Still as brisk and clear-thinking at 85 as he was at 55, the former president reported on our current squeeze drives them to revolt, by their top leadership and find critical situation at a Presbyterian luncheon in New York last week.

He disclosed that America be presented of the inefficiency has become "plagued with the to be seen in government enterinfection of Karl Marx in prise? Yet Hoover failed to tempt such actions as in May both the thinking of our peodraw the obvious lesson. A vicple and the affairs of our tim of the Karl Marx virus government. himself, he failed to point out Undoubtedly carriers of the

the crying need for a network infection were at that very of efficient, privately owned gathering. One skeptic wanted prisons. to know if the virus had hit all levels of government.

"Yes, sir," Mr. Hoover replied, **Racist Test in St. Louis** 'Federal, state and local." The St. Louis Board of Al-Another doubter wanted to know if even the Eisenhower dermen, controlled 25 to 4 by administration was infected. the Democratic party, defeated The ex-head of state nodded a bill to end racial discrimina-

sadly and said: "It got frozen The workers can win hands in. down once they get going. But "This infection creeps through alderman who supported the bill But the French CP leaders did they must begin to prepare for action without further delay.

our nation by deluded and mis- described it as one of the mildguided men and by disguised or-lest ever presented.

Invites Chou for Talks Nehru

Move Follows Khrushchev Visit

In Other Lands

1958 and last month.

added in this way.

were taking place in other fac- | objecting that the franchise had tories in the Dresden area. They not been widened enough, acagreed that the old wage scale cepted the British plan "as the next stage in Ke tional development." The proelections scheduled for 1961. **"Drop Socialist**

Page Three

which crawl into such terms as

Some people, infected by the

"Karl Marx virus" which Mr.

Hoover finds is "haunting" us,

Is Hoover a 'Red'?

Finally, the bone-crushing

proof of the spread of the Marx-

ist plague—even to those who

valiantly combat it—was found

One of the effects of the dis-

ease, Hoover said, is the break-

down of law and order. "Some-

thing is terrifyingly wrong with

our law enforcement system

when in 1958 there were 2,340,-

000 arrests for major crimes,

and only 88,780 of them landed

tion in restaurants, theaters and

hotels by a vote of 17 to 11. An

Could more damning evidence

- Harry Ring

in state and federal prisons."

right in Hoover's speech.

THE MILITANT

are under way in other cities.

In a Feb. 14 sermon, Rev. Donald Harrington of the Community Church "frankly urged" his parish to boycott Woolworth and Kress stores. These two national chains are offering stiff resistance to the demand of the Negro students for equal treatment at their lunch counters in the South.

Particularly heartening is the stand taken in the Feb. 17 issue of Observation Post, undergraduate newspaper at City College of New York.

A Partial Ban Is No Ban

anywhere."

The "partial" ban of nuclear tests. proposed by the United States at the Big Three Geneva Conference on Feb. 11, with Eisenhower's approval, is another calculated move toward resumption of atomic tests.

The proposal would allow "small" underground nuclear blasts, no larger than the one used Aug. 6, 1945, to destroy Hiroshima, under the excuse that such tests cannot be monitored. Soviet scientists maintain that all blasts greater than 1.7 kilotons are detectable. The White House argues that tests of bombs under 20 kilotons can be hidden.

A White House declaration, overwhelmingly supported by Democratic and Republican congressmen, held that until adequate detection methods are found, the U.S. "plan," limiting total bans to atmospheric and oceanic tests, proves American "good faith."

However, Eisenhower has admitted publicly that he does not know how large a bomb could be muffled. Asked at his press conference Feb. 11 if he thought Dr. Edward Teller was correct in maintaining that tests of big bombs could be kept secret by exploding them in deep underground holes, Eisenhower replied, "the very large ones, I don't think could be concealed . . . certainly not periodically."

He hedged when asked if the "plan" would end the "voluntary" test moratorium which has been in effect since October 1958. Last week's Militant observed that the Atomic Energy Commission and the War Department awaited only the signal from the White House to resume tests.

The American diplomats, of course, pictured the U.S. proposal as a means of ending tests of nuclear weapons. This was a transparent fraud since it makes an exception of so-called "small-size" underground tests.

Crow cannot and must not be tolerated

appropriate action." (The Congress of Ra-

cial Equality has already picketed Wool-

Semyon K. Tsarapkin, Soviet delegate to the Geneva talks, rejected the "plan" as a "step backward, since under the existing situation there have been no nuclear explosions for more than a year."

The New York Times commented Feb. 12 that an upset in the nuclear talks would lead to a resumption of all tests and if the Soviets pursue a policy of "all or nothing the world will know where to place the responsibility . . .

However, Hanson W. Baldwin, military expert of the same paper, reporting from Geneva Feb. 14, took another view. The United States and British negotiators, he said, are "convinced the Russians mean business" about ending nuclear testing. Moreover, they are "backed by the support of world public opinion for the cessation of nuclear tests and for arms limitation."

Eisenhower's promise that "safer" underground tests will "allay world-wide concern over possible increases in levels Army Blocks Arrest of radioactivity," holds no more weight than his soothing assurances two years ago that the U.S. had "discovered" a "clean" bomb.

The American people are strongly opposed to any more tests. This is not simply out of humanitarian considerations. It's ...due to the simple fact that no one can escape cancer-producing and gene-damaging fallout. The rest of mankind is, if anything, even more opposed to further nu- De Gaulle, to fight the Arab na- bankruptcy of the labor leader- reported to the factory and beclear pollution of the earth's atmosphere.

more respect to this sentiment.

clared: "We are organizing our tancy of the working class and demonstrations calmly, but if we helped to prop the capitalist dia's Prime Minister Nehru has might think of staging tougher

In addition to reporting the circulation demonstrations." Undoubtedly whipped up by fascist organizof the campus petition, Observation Post ers, who have been active offers vigorous editorial support. The stu-Washington. among the farmers with varydent paper declares: "We ask Council to ing degrees of success since the 1930's, the most rebellious perendorse this petition and fullfill its desons then carried out the threat mands. Bigotry, discrimination and Jim on the spot.

But why did the fascists gain the chance of organizing a militant action of farmers? Why didn't the labor movement gain this opportunity? After all, the French workers and farmers have far more in common than do the French farmers and the Algerian colons.

Farmers' Grievances

Consider the grievances of the farmers as they were voiced at the mass protest meeting in Amiens. The speakers stressed that farm earnings had deopposed. Hence the cry raised creased nine per cent, because of De Gaulle's "austerity" pro-

stead

gram. But the purchasing power of wages, too, has sunk about ten per cent during the twenty months of De Gaulle's regime. The principal beneficiaries of De Gaulle's economic policies have been the huge corporations

and the banks who foisted De Gaulle on the country in the first place. The workers and the farmers are joint sufferers of big business rule. This should have led to an alliance between them against De Gaulle's regime. Instead the most militant farmers are following a fascist lead—that is, the lead of the workers' worst enemies. Why?

Of 2 Algiers Rebels

According to reports in Algiers, the French army is obstructing the arrest of two leading figures in last month's fascist insurrection.

Paris ordered the two arrested ten days ago, but they surren-

made the pact with the rebels. punishment.

order. The CP leaders did this asked Premier Chou En-lai of even after 1947, when they were, China to discuss the border disdriven out of the government pute between the two countries. under cold-war pressure from In a personal letter to Chou dated Feb. 5. Nehru suggested

In the last two years, the the two meet in New Delhi durlabor leaders have kept the ing the latter part of March. working class in a state of vir-Last December Chou proposed tual paralysis. They capitu- a meeting of the two premiers lated without struggle when but Nehru turned him down. De Gaulle came to power. Last month. when the fascists staged latest proposal stems from two their second attempted coup, the considerations. One, China and SP, CP and trade-union leaders Burma resolved their long took shelter behind De Gaulle standing frontier conflict instead of utilizing the crisis to

mobilize the workers independ- through a treaty signed Jan. 28 Two, Khrushchev on his visit to ently against the "men of Algiers.

To the French farmers the tiate with the Chinese. only dynamic-appearing force

Last fall, Khrushchev publicly in France in recent times has deplored the boundary conflict been the fascists, who dared to and hoped the two countries take up arms against a govwould come to an agreement. ernment which the farmers also

Report Strikes in Amiens of "Long Live Massu." Had the Communist party In East Germany

leaders demonstrated one quarter of the determination shown According to the International by the fascist elements, the Confederation of Free Trade farmers might have been shout- Unions, East German workers ing "Long Live the CP" in- have conducted a number of strikes since last June.

Where Will They Turn?

marized in the Feb. 9 Christian Despite important transform-Science Monitor, says that last ations during the seven-year September, for example, the enboom, France remains a coun- tire-night shift at the Elmo entry of small farmers and shop- gineering works, near Dessau, keepers. An economic down- went on strike because of "imturn will multiply the discon-possible working conditions tent and rebelliousness in their caused by fumes from a dump ranks. Who will they turn to of brown coal which had for leadership?

If the labor movement does not come out of its present coma, the answer is unmiswere SED (Communist party) members. The biggest strike is said to Sachsenwerk, the largest elec-

The police were called and the ency on this score. They are already paying

factory militia was alerted. The strike began when workthrough the nose in the form of ers in the repair shop struck dered to the army under an De Gaulle's "austerity" pro- over a wage cut of about 40 agreement, never sanctioned by gram and decree rule for the marks. The next day all workers posal for enlarging the African a coalition designed to oust the tionalists for six months. Army ship. The fascists, if they win gan a sit-down strike. At a sentation in the Kenya legisla- coalition won about 75% of the officers are unwilling to go back the middle classes, threaten the plant meeting that lasted five tive council,

admitted that similar strikes headed by Tom Mboya, though ents also ran against each other.

Subsequently the plant management and trade union and posals will affect party units were reorganized. Four workers were dismissed

and their papers marked "unsuitable for employment in state-owned factories.'

CP officials blamed the strike on men in the repair shop 'working on the instructions of Western agents." They charged:

It is believed that Nehru's workers conducted a nationwide general strike.

> **Chinese Caution** Soviets on U.S.

India last week undoubtedly 'Peace' Intentions urged Nehru strongly to nego-

In a message printed in Prav-

friendship Feb. 14, Soong Chingling, widow of Sun Yat-sen, the founder of the Chinese nationallist movement, warned of U.S. attempts to drive a wedge between the two countries. She also declared that President Eisenhower "might make a big noise and travel halfway

around the world wearing the mask of an envoy of peace, but he and Vice-President Nixon The ICFTU report, sumand certain leaders of the Democratic party and generals and

admirals of the United States are rattling their sabers." "They show us by their actions that they are only trying after all to preserve their policy of dealing from a position of strength."

Madame Soong's letter thus voiced the view of the "thaw" that has been put forward by the Chinese CP leaders. Unlike yards struck against a 50% wage the Soviet leaders, the Chinese cut. One-third of the strikers do not credit the U.S. government with genuinely seeking peace

have occurred last June in the Kenyans Accept trical plant in East Germany. **British Proposals**

> The major delegations at the reservations" the British pro-

Aim," Gaitskell **Tells Labor Party**

British Labor party leader Hugh Gaitskell has again called 'It was the same on June 17, for revision of Clause 4 of the 1953," when over two million party constitution which lays down the objective of securing "the common ownership of the means of production, distribution, and exchange."

Gaitskell declared Feb. 13 that he favored a "mixed economy" in which private enterprise would operate side-by-side with public ownership. He first da on the tenth anniversary of called for a retreat from Clause the Soviet-Chinese treaty of 4 at the party's conference last November.

> His proposal has created a sharp dispute in the Labor party with Michael Foot, editor of Tribune, leading the Victory for Socialism group in a fight to uphold socialism as the party's stated objective.

Harold Wilson, Chancellor of Exchequer in the Labor government several years ago, is also opposed to changing Clause 4, according to the Feb. 15 Christian Science Monitor.

Communist Party Gets 42 Per Cent Of Vote in Kerala

The final tally on the vote in the elections held Feb. 2 in the Indian state of Kerala shows that, despite a heavy loss of seats, the Communist party substantially increased its share of the popular vote. In 1957, the CP polled about 35% of the popular vote. In the recent elections they obtained 42.5%. As the Militant reported

earlier, the CP lost its majority in the Kerala parliament because Kenya constitutional conference its three main electoral opponin London have accepted "with ents-the Congress, Moslem and Praja Socialist parties-formed vote and the African repre- CP from power. As a result the seats with about 55% of the It's about time our rulers paid a bit on the word of the colonel who workers with infinitely worse hours, Communist party officials The African delegation, vote. In 1957 the CP's oppon-

caught fire." Again, in November, sixty workers in the Rostock ship-

takable. The middle classes will turn to the fascists. The fascists will seize the initiative in a social crisis. That is the grave warning raised by the Amiens events. The workers cannot permit themselves the slightest complac-

Letters from Our Readers

Holds It's 'Terrible' That George Meany Heads the AFL-CIO Editor:

George Meany says that it would be "terrible" if Adam Clayton Powell became chairman of the House Labor Committee. I think it would be terrible if the first Negro in line for the chairmanship of a major congressional committee under the seniority rules was denied the post.

I consider Meany's statement one of the most terrible yet made by a labor leader. The reasons he gives for opposing Powell are completely specious. Take his criticism of Powell's have a leg to stand on, since Powell has voted 100% correct from the viewpoint of official union standards.

The voting record that Meany really has in mind is Powell's attempts to attach riders dealing with segregation to aid-toeducation bills.

Meany says that Powell stirs up racial discord. This is a White Citizens Council kind of their needs and requirements. charge. Everything is nice and quiet and peaceful until these brash Negro agitators come party resolutions to conventions. along. That is what the White But in no case that I know of toward a new life in the unions. Citizens Councils say and Meany were the workers informed as echoes them.

"Join the Air Force and collect out-of-

First, there was the "Big Brother" episode

print instructors' manuals." Now there's a sug-

at Forbes Air Base in Kansas where the airmen

were urged to "spy on each other's personal

lives." Officers were to wash behind enlisted

men's ears and incidentally check on what they

on this unusual set of instructions, with some

murmurings that they indicated a fascist-type

mentality. The instructions were announced

stewards on how to wash an officer's dog and

clean his toilet. Another hue and cry and an-

Force manual. This one is on how to wash an

battle against those alien forces that would

undermine our democratic freedoms and des-

troy our love for honesty and fair play. Ob-

viously it was intended to meet such below-the-

belt elements on their own ground and even

non-commissioned officers study course on how

to cope with "communist espionage" and "sub-

elers have successfully infiltrated our churches."

The manual was designed for a reserve

It informed the students of such facts of

"Communists and Communist fellow-trav-

other manual became a collector's item.

Then there was the manual for Air Force

Now we have a third out-of-print Air

It was issued as part of the continuing

withdrawn.

version.

life as these:

enlisted man's brains.

teach them a few tricks.

were listening to. Public attention was focused

gestion for a snappy new recruiting slogan.

As to the charge of absentee-1 their present defensive system ism - it is common knowledge to the offensive by drafting their that all congressmen absent own program, sending their own themselves regularly and at- union members into every imtend only when their narrow portant office — instructed and provincial interests are on the pledged. Under such conditions, agenda, or if they are mustering how could antilabor bills remain to strike a blow at the workers. alive, or any more be passed?

For Meany to say "terrible" There are other questions to about a Negro being appointed be answered. Workers want to to a committee chairmanship is know if a labor party wouldn't terrible. I think that this shows be corrupted, even by the presthat Meany is anti-Negro. This ent "leadership." How could it is a terrible charge. It is also be kept in control by the rank terrible that such a man is the and file? What would be the dehead of the trade-union move- mands promoting full employ-

> John Hudson minorities, women, youth, farmers. etc.? New York

> > planations.

Ready to Distribute voting record. Here he doesn't Material Devoted to Labor Party Issue Editor:

ment.

For the past 15 years I have worked in the union movement to build support for establishing already on record for a labor a labor party. In looking back I party. But my contention is see little if any literature to that the rank and file have to help the rank and file to think understand more in order to

out a program that really meets Quite a few individuals and

Our Hygienic Air Force

By Herman Chauka

munists.

unions have proposed labor- that the benefits, if understood, to how they would jump from



who don't see the Militant. I would distribute (and pay for) 100 or 500 of such a pamphlet and save myself years of ex-Here in Santa Cruz, labor is pressure the leadership who like for politics!

their present "friends" in the two major parties. I am sure of difference? Meany too is would add tremendous impetus aware of this possibility.

The Feb. 13 AFL-CIO News reports: "Meany pointed out Santa Cruz, Calif. that if the General Board were confronted with a choice between 'tweedledum and tweedledee,' there possibly [possibly!] could be no endorsement."

As a matter of fact, the pretense that the question of an endorsement is still open is a

calculated deception. "It is well known that even the pastors of If "political neutrality"

vention.

certain of our churches are card-carrying Comtives? It also pointed to some of the silly foibles labor of a Republican candidate that officers would have to knock out of the for president is excluded. The heads of raw recruits. most likely Republican candi-For example, it explained, "Another foolish date Nixon, has already beremark often heard is that Americans have a

right to know what's going on." However, to bolster officers' morale in the face of such outrageous notions, the manual quickly assures: "Most people realize the foolishness of such a suggestion.'

H.C.B.

One reason the manual has caused a rather large rumpus on Capitol Hill may be the fact that it indiscreetly blurted out what is normally considered a classified bit of information: "Keep in mind that public news media presents only as much information as the government wants it to release."

The biggest outcry came quite understandably from the Protestant National Council of cumstances, he says, there may Churches. It seems the manual advised: "The National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. officially sponsored the revised standard version of the Bible. Of the 95 persons who served on this project, 30 have been affiliated with pro-Communist fronts, projects and publications.

The Council sent off a blistering letter of protest, everyone in Washington began demanding an investigation and the Air Force promptly announced the manual had been withdrawn Feb. 11 - the day after the Council sent the protest.

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pating in primary elections. And, after the two major parties have nominated their candidates, the AFL-CIO General Board will meet to determine its "position and its recommendation to its members."

One Slate That's Clean

Wiped clean off the slate are the lessons of the 1958 election. The designation of candidates is turned over to the wardheelers with the assurance there will be no "interference" from the unions. The list of candidates will then be subjected to clinical diagnosis by the labor statesmen. A political thermometer will be thrust into the aspiring candidates to register the degree of their "friendship" for labor. The "position" of the medicine men will then be posted for the guidance of their flock. And all this passes

And what if the thermometers registered no discernible degree

to lead.

Such deception is an indispensable ingredient of the politics of the labor bureaucracy.

They know full well that the is ranks have become increasingly ruled out what are the alternadisenchanted with the policy of The endorsement by keeping labor strait-jacketed in coalition with the Demo-Dixiecrat party. The AFL-CIO In dustrial Union Department Di

ABOR REPORTS

Necessary Ingredient

gest, for example, devotes an come the major target of the entire article in its fall 1959 islabor statesmen. Abstention sue to establishing the lack of from the Democratic primaries any real difference between the can only be construed as a sign two major parties. (The article. that the labor skates have no of course, was written last fall.) real preference and will take Citing a survey made by the ern Democrats up into the chair-

anyone nominated by the con-University of Michigan in manship of all key Congres-Reuther's bailiwick, Wayne sional committees. And 75 per That is why Meany is so carecounty, the Digest discloses: cent of the Southern Democrats ful to qualify his position on an "More than 50 per cent of the

endorsement even if confronted county's adult population could Republican you can find in Conwith a choice which he considers one between tweedledum and see no difference between Republicans and Democrats and tweedledee. Under such cirmore than 33 per cent of the "possibly" be no endorsement. precinct leaders saw no differ-Meany doesn't fool any of the ence."

After casting about for some political heelers with his twisting-that is not his aim. What recognizable distinction between 1958" while proclaiming that anhe does succeed in doing, un- the two major parties, the other such "victory might ruin fortunately, is to deceive and Digest comes up with the fol- us."



(Continued from Page 1) | been in sharp contrast with the | ment itself acknowledged their Armament held a "warning march" in a downtown square. Coolness shown by the West German press as a whole." Despite the world outcry who lived closest to the explo-

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THE MILITANT

"...man's work...is a portrait of himself..."

mislead the workers he is paid lowing: "As long as liberal Dem-

ocrats determine the candidates

for executive office-in contrast

to the conservative Democrats

controlling the legislative

branch — there is a distinction

of which party won a ma-

jority in the election."

between the two parties."

Mine-Mill Wins Phelps Dodge 171-Day Strike

DENVER, Feb. 1 - Nearly 5,000 Mine-Mill members at Phelps Dodge copper plants in Arizona and Texas started back to work today following local ratification of a new agreement to end their 171-

day strike, President John Clark | improvements; wider medical of the International Union of and accident coverage, increas-Mine, Mill and Smelter Work- ed pension benefits and an improved seniority clause. ers announced here today.

Only one company of the cop-per industry's "Big Five" pro-all time lost during the strike ducers struck by Mine-Mill last would be considered as time August still remains to settle worked in computing vacation benefits. with the union, Clark said. The

holdout is Anaconda Copper, The agreement is in line with the average annual increase whose properties in Montana and Utah remain shut down. provided by the two-year settlements already reached by Mine-Talks are continuing in efforts to settle this strike which has Mill elsewhere in the industry. idled some 6,000 miners and The victory is particularly significant in view of the drawnsmeltermen.

The Phelps Dodge settlement out, costly legal fight which the runs until June 30, 1962, and union had to wage against fedprovides a total package of 33.4 eral intervention during the cents an hour in wage and strike battles. Seventeen presfringe benefits over the three- ent and former officers of the year period, including cash union were convicted on charges boosts ranging from 8½ cents of "conspiring" to file false to 11¼ cents an hour each year. Other gains include an addi-affidavits. The witch-hunting, ional paid holiday, making a however, failed to shake the total of seven; vacation-plan rank and file.

San Francisco Lithographers

All of this is no secret to George Meany. He pointed out week-old strike of the lithog-–last September — "that the raphers came to an end with the seniority system pushes Southsigning of a two-year agreement with the employers. The new contract provides for a four per cent wage increase this year and next, a cost-of-living bonus, and greater protection

Yet, like actors in a Greek tragedy whom fate has marked datory, and the bosses can no for extinction, the labor bureaucrats continue to strive for another in slow seasons.

"more victories like we had in

(Continued from Page 1) same way." ficials not to parade or demon-

in front of the only grocery store that still sells Wilson products and jeered and hooted at the grocer, who had decided it was advisable to close down for the day.

Wilson & Co. attempted to set off a witch-hunt scare by going to the governor and FBI with the tale that they had information a plot had been or-

ganized by certain "radical elements" to blow up the plant during the Solidarity Caravan. One Wilson striker expressed the prevailing attitude toward these charges when he said, "The company's nuts. We intend to win this strike, and we'd

The morale and spirits of the Kennedy-Landrum-Griffin law, trikers after almost a long series of legal appeals will make these paragraphs a months on the picket line, are dead letter for months to come. amazingly high. Out of 1,100 who went out on strike originally, only eight have broken ranks and gone back in. After an all-day session with the courageous Wilson strikers, the caravaners ended their demonstration with the theme song, "Solidarity Forever."

A distinction without a difference. For, as the article goes on to explain, "the last seven Congresses have been marked by a coalition of Dixiecrats and Republicans that has managed to control legislative action regardless

Score Victory SAN FRANCISCO-The ten-

are more reactionary than any against lay-offs. A system of gress or the State Legislatures." sharing the work is now manlonger pit one worker against

The union's traditional ban on working with material from nonunion sources and struck work are written into the new contract. However, these clauses will remain inoperative until they have been declared legal by the courts. Since a federal district court has ruled be foolish to blow up the plant

that such clauses violate the and eliminate our jobs."

. . Caravan

with your help, I'll go back the

Despite the pleas of union of-

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strate, 500 members of the caravan marched down the main street of the town. They stopped

Notes in the News

OPTIMIST — Secretary of Labor Mitchell reports that a study by his department shows that by 1970 America's production will increase by 50%, there will be a high level of employment, and living standards will have increased by 25%. He said these are not only realistic, but conservative targets. He did add a small qualification - the study assumes there will be highlevel prosperity, no depression and no war.

AMBULANCE PAYOLA? - Robert Watson, a former deputy sheriff in the Chicago area, was fined \$350 Jan. 26 for refusing to allow the first two ambulances at an accident scene to remove three injured motorists. He denied receiving money from the company whose ambulance finally arrived and hauled off the victims.

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A FISHY STORY - Homeless goldfish will enjoy the full protection of the law under a new bill before the British Parliament. The bill makes it a crime to abandon pet animals. Under sharp questioning by C. J. Mapp, a Laborite, the Conservatives conceded that according to legal definition, any fish is considered to be an animal under the bill. . . .

'CAMP DAVID SPIRIT' FLOUTED -Peaceful coexistence doesn't come easy. The point was illustrated anew in Chicago during preparations for the visit of touring Soviet officials. An itinerary for the visit, mapped by the Institute of International Education, which is managing the tour, showed a two-hour open spot. Mandel Terman, chairman of the Chicago Council of American-Soviet Friendship, said the group would go to an ice-cream plant during the open time to sample a special borscht and Dutch apple ice-cream dish. The tour manager replied, "Definitely, no ice-cream." Icecream manufacturer Harry Bressler complained that he had "scoured the city" for small Soviet flags. He had planned to have two Soviet flags, two U. S. flags and a UN flag in each dish of the apple-borscht concoction. "A sort of coexistence desert," he explained.

DEFIES POPE FROM GRAVE — A recent English translation of a scientific work expounding the thesis that the evolutionary process is still continuing in man has created a stir in the Catholic hierarchy. The work, "Le Phenomene Humain," was written by the Rev. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, a Jesuit priest who died five years ago. Father Teilhard was a noted geologist and paleontologist who had made significant contributions to the study of extinct forms of life. Thirty years before his death, his ecclesiatic superiors, disturbed by the conflict between his scientific theories and their dogma, forbade him to teach and banned publication of any of his major works. His book on the evolution of man's mind was completed in 1938 and he left it with friends to be published after his death.

* * * CAMPUS BIAS ASSAILED - Editors of

The Japanese government Varsity, undergraduate paper at the University of Toronto, have blasted the discriminatory practices and stupidly snobbish attitude of fraternities on the campus. The criticism was sparked by the action of one of the eight sororities on the campus which rejected the membership application of a Negro co-ed. One of the paper's editors also hit at the school administration which dodged taking any meaningful action on test "deplorable" and pointed to the issue by issuing a ruling formally dissociatthe Soviet initiative in stopping ing fraternities from the university. its own explosions.

The People's Republic WAITING TO CATCH BOMB - Senator China denounced De Gaulle's Stephen M. Young, the Ohio Democrat who reregime for carrying out the test cently made headlines by telling the American "in defiance of the strong con-Legion to mind its own business, has opened demnation of the local people an attack on the waste of taxpayers' money involved in the operation of the Cleveland Civil and world public opinion." In France itself, a great Defense organization. He singled out for attack the assignment of a police lieutenant and five patrolmen to the "useless CD organization." He said, "They draw full salaries apparently sitting around waiting for a nuclear bomb to drop." Police Chief Story defended the CD money." as useful in helping to handle parades and "emergencies."

UAW DEMANDS EQUAL TIME WITH NAM - The United Auto Workers, AFL-CIO, made public Feb. 4 that it was placing a demand with television stations to be given "equal opportunity" to present its views on films provided the stations by the National Association of Manufacturers. The films offered an edited version of the McClellan Committee hearings on the UAW and the Kohler strike. Station fallout will cause to mankind-WTTG-TV, Washington, furnished the kinescopes free to 27 stations without informing nuclear blasts - they were disthem that they were paid for by the NAM, according to the UAW which described the films as "biased and contrived."

NOTE TO AMBULANCE CHASERS - Liberia's President William V. S. Tubman has ordered prosecution and disbarment proceedings pursue in common. against lawyers who demand excessive fees from clients.

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MODEST ROBES AND HOODS PRE- that the only truly favorable re- ative class peace of later years; kind will be reaching out for FERRED — Texas authorities have refused a action to the Sahara explosion they were drawn into the grow- contact with young militants in state charter to the Naturalist Association, a other than their own has come ing union bureaucracy and de- the unions. Some will hear their nudist organization. The secretary of state said from Chancellor Adenauer of generated into labor statesmen. voices and respond. such an organization violated laws against lewd- West Germany - a staunch De Today they have little to offer ness, indecent exposure and like practices.

In Toronto, students picketed the French Consulate on the eve of the explosion. The signs they carried demanded "Not Bombs - Freedom for Algeria" and "Break Canada-NATO Alliance with De Gaulle."

against further pollution of the atmosphere, the French government has announced it will go ahead with more explosions. French officials have claimed

that the atomic proving ground The Italian government began they have chosen is the safest in checking for radioactive fallout the world. More population cenfrom the Sahara. Strong winds ters are located within a 300frequently blow across the mile radius of the Nevada prov-Mediterranean from the huge ing grounds, they say, than of the one they have established in

African desert to the south. the Sahara

Claude Bourdet, writing in filed a formal protest with France and called the Sahara test "regrettable" because it was leading socialist weekly, exposes held while the U.S., Britain and this claim. First, he says, the ing a test-ban agreement. The official Soviet news agency, Tass, called the French

the Jan. 21 France Observateur,

and handicrafts. The govern- of the Saharan peoples." financial support to the strike),



(Continued from Page 1) is were speeding toward Albert Lea.

number of people undoubtedly agreed with the Paris taxi neapolis, the reinforcements driver who declared: "Think from Hormel's got there first. how many homes could have Together with the Wilson strikbeen built with the same ers they took back the union

"The United States gave France a frosty hello when it joined the exclusive 'nuclear stored the picket lines.

club' by setting off an atomic device in the Sahara," reports done by the time the Minneap-Warren Rogers Jr. in the Feb. olis truck drivers hit town; but 14 New York Herald Tribune. their hurried arrival helped to Though the Washington ofput the main point across.

ficials were not necessarily hor-The bosses and their political rified by the injury that more stooges in government were atomic testing and hence more given to understand that they would have to crush the whole the U.S. holds the record for union power before they could hope to break a strike anypleased because the explosion where in the region.

was a mark of French inde-Union-busting on such a pendence and a breach of the scale was easier said than current diplomatic and military done; so Wilson had to sign a policy the State Department contract with the CIO. wants all NATO countries to Fighting leaders of the kind

All in all, reports Benjamin are rare specimens in the mod-Welles in the Feb. 16 New York ern union officialdom. Many old party's presidential campaign, Times, French officials concede timers grew soft during the rel-seasoned labor fighters of this

Gaulle backer. Even this "has young worker militants facing

who lived closest to the explosion point.

Second, says Bourdet, the proving grounds are not where The workers are concerned the French government declared over the court's decision and do in the United Nations they were not share their officials' optim-- namely 125 miles inside the ism that it will soon be over-

vast desert area of Tanezrouft. | turned.

They are located 13 miles from They are disappointed also that the economic package the edge of Datetree Avenue. Poisonous dust from the blast finally agreed upon was only a little better than the one turned thus menaces the entire oasis. "It would have been easy," down four weeks ago. How-Bourdet concludes. "to find a ever, union members feel that

place, where within a 125-mile wresting even a few additional radius, there is no oasis and concessions from the bosses de-

where no nomad has reason to monstrated the power and soligo. Only . . . this would have darity of the union.

demanded more costly installa-It also demonstrated to the the Soviet Union were discuss- Sahara is not all desert but is tions, a much more disagreeable international officers that Local penetrated by a long casis called mode of life, an effort of the No. 17 would not accept dicta-"Datetree Avenue." About 200,- kind that one puts up in other tion. After their hastily reached 000 Arabs, Berbers, Jews and parts of the Sahara to extract agreement was rejected by the Negroes live on the "Avenue," oil and make money. Here, all membership, the international engaging in varied agriculture that was involved was the life officers demonstratively stood aside (while continuing to give

| the present capitalist attack on the unions.

their jobs with the feeling they Some, though, have continued won a partial victory. They are to stand by the sound class prindetermined to use the economic ciples they learned during the power of their union to mainstorm and strife of earlier tain conditions on the job, and times; and they have since deto win back the job security veloped greater understanding clauses that the government has of the political essence of class taken away. struggle.

If these working-class fighters have not been driven from the unions by witch-hunting labor

bureaucrats and capitalist politicians, they have generally been thrust away from leadership positions in the mass movement.

But with the developing capitalist attack on labor fresh need arises for their help in the unions. They have something to offer in shaping union policy toward effective action to defend the workers on the job; and they can help steer a course toward independent labor political action to free the unions from the strangling policy of that beat Wilson in the thirties support to capitalist politicians. Through the Socialist Workers

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Farrell Dobbs

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hall, swept the cops and deputies off the streets, ran the scabs out of the plant and re-

Not much remained to be