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Jobless Lines Grow Longer

Economic Forecasts Indicate Recession Will Grow Worse

By Tom Kerry

Is the American economy experiencing a "moderate decline," a "rolling adjustment," or a plain old-fashioned recession? It all depends on who you are! If you are a 'banker, an industrial tycoon or

Socialist Ticket a stockjobber, the more delicate expression will be preferred. If **Enters Toronto City Elections**

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The Toronto municipal elections can give a solid boost to the labor party now being formed by the Canadian Congress of Labor. The Toronto and District Labor Council has vigorously condemned the three major candidates for mayor as antilabor. The labor body is endorsing 11 candidates for the city council.

The Labor Council did not enter a candidate for mayor, but | What is alarming about this the three big-business candi- | rising curve of unemployment is dates are being challenged by that October is normally a Ross Dowson, candidate of the month in which unemployment Socialist Educational League. A is lower than in any other veteran of the Canadian labor month. Unemployment normalson is editor of the socialist months to hit a peak in Febru-

a unionist for Controller. A socialist candidate has been

entered in a local ward contest by the Young Socialist Alliance with the nomination of John Darling for Board of Education.

Socialist Educational The League is working to pile up a significant vote for Dowson and Harris and the 11 labor-endorsed councilmanic candidates. The SEL ticket is offering a program of opposition to the

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Venezuela Gov't Crushes Revolt

the latter. Like other bad news, the figures on October unemployment were released only after the elections. "In October," reports 'he Dec.' 3 New York Times, "the ranks of the jobless increased to 3,579,000 and in November the number probably increased to well above 4,000,000. 'This," adds the Times, "means that the percentage of the total labor force looking for work is close to a post-World War II high:"

you are a worker in the growing ormy of partially employed or 'otally unemployed it will be

and socialist movement, Dow- ly rises during the winter gue has nominated Alan Harris, Labor, the Dec. 1 Christian Science Monitor, concludes:

"Whichever way business goes the next few months the absolute amount of men out of work will probably rise it will be highest just when Congress meets.

ment rate in February would be Congo. Lumumba was captured 7.6 per cent, or 5,260,000 unem- after fleeing Leopoldville and ployed. The top of the 1958 re- was returned to that capital city cession came in August with 7.5 and jailed after being severely per cent unemployed. In Febru- mauled by Mobutu's minions.

ary, 1958, there were 5,173,000 unemployed." **Hoist Storm Flags**

course," says the report with a

And what are the pundits vubu, requesting that Lumumba saying about which way busi- be given all the rights and im-

ness will go in the next period? munities of a legally elected The Betancourt regime in According to the N.Y. Times, representative of parliament. He under which parliament could "Wall Street chartists were also asked that the International meet and govern the country. popular uprising by heavy use sounding warnings that a pos- Red Cross be granted permission Only parliament is empowered



Patrice Lumumba (right), legally elected head of the Congo government, after his capture by Mobutu, who is being groomed by the State Department and Belgian colonialists as the Batista of the Congo. Newsreel pictures displayed on television screens in the U.S. showed Mobutu's troops publicly mauling the bound Lumumba in the truck in which he and his two unidentified aides were hauled like cattle. A high UN official said Lumumba had been seriously injured by his torturers but Mobutu refused to let Red Cross doctors examine his prisoner. Lumumba's mistake was to invite the United Nations into the Congo.

Torture of Lumumba Release Photos newspaper, Workers Vanguard. The Socialist Education Lea-gue has nominated Alan Harris, Labor, the Dec. 1 Christian Sci-Labor, the Dec. 1 Christian Sci-

Vigorous protests by Afro-sian and Soviet bloc delegates coup dissolved the Congolese And "Fat Man" Asian and Soviet bloc delegates coup dissolved the Congolese have forced United Nations Sec- parliament and established a retary-General Dag Hammarskmilitary dictatorship, rejected jold to remonstrate against the Hammarskjold's request with brutal treatment accorded Padoes not the United Nations send trice Lumumba by troops under "By this computation," the command of Colonel Joseph an investig Monitor adds, "the unemploy- Mobutu, military dictator of the Hungary?" an, investigation commission to

leged purpose of restoring national unity, peace and democracy to the Congo is being play-After receiving a direct report ed out to its tragic climax. Acfrom his special representative

cording to the United Nations in the Congo, Hammarskjold charter, the elected parliament wrote to Congo President Kasais the only legal force in the Congo. Ostensibly, the primary object of UN troop intervention, was to strengthen the conditions

Attendance Rises In New Orleans School Struggle

Encourages Students in **Rights Fight**

DEC. 2 — Intensification of southwide student demonstrations was urged today by Gloster two white pioneers, Mrs. James tions was urged today by Gloster Current, NAACP director of Gabrielle and Rev. Lloyd Fore-man, who convoyed their daugh-

In a speech prepared for delivery to the Oklahoma State Conference of NAACP branches, Current declared: "Southwide student demonstrations are not only going to continue, but must be intensified. Negroes must refrain from cooperating with segregation not only in border states, but even Mississippi."

Six Months

Meanwhile, a Little Rock, Ark., judge yesterday sentenced Charles Parker, 22, to six months in jail and fined him \$509 for participating in a sit-in at a Woolworth lunch counter. Six other students were also ar-rested and will be tried Dec. 30. In Jacksonville, Fla., members of the NAACP Youth Council demonstrated at the Woolworth

DEC. 7 — The government row. They continued to sit at yesterday released the first picthe crowded counter after being tures of the type of atom bomb the arrogant rejoinder: "Why does not the United Nations send Nagasaki in 1945

The 9,000-pound bomb dropped on Hiroshima was described The ghastly travesty of United as "Little Boy" and the 10,000-Nations intervention for the al- | pound Nagasaki bomb as "Fat

The photos were made public despite "misgivings" of the State Department which felt they might be injurious to the U.S. image abroad.

Nagasaki in 1945.

Man."

A Defense Department spokesman disclosed that the decision to release the pictures was made several months ago but they were withheld until after the Japanese elections for fear they would provide

Credit Two White Families For Lead in Resisting Racists

The embattled New Orleans Negro community was heartened by the appearance of what may be a significant crack in the school blockade against token integration. The number of white pupils at William Frantz School mounted to 23 by Dec. 6.

Much credit for the rise in attendance at Frantz is due

ters to and from the school through shoving, egg-throwing Rule 22

Ruffians hooted the minister's sermons Dec. 4, shouting, "If it wasn't for that nigger-lover, we'd have won our fight!" But Rev. Foreman was un-

noved. Instead he called on all who believe . . . integrated schools are preferable to no schools . . . to launch an offen-Mrs. Gabrielle tells how at first "I pulled Yolanda out . .

I was so scared . . But that night my conscience fore at me. Are you going to give in to a mob? . . . When I woke up the next morning I told my husband 'I'm taking Yolanda back.'" Daisy Orlando Gabrielle was counter for the fourth day in a



In Mississippi

Faces lest **On Civil Rights** The acid test of President-

elect Kennedy's proclaimed devotion to the cause of advancing civil rights will come on the opening day of the new Congress in January. For it is on that day and only on that day when the Senate can alter Rule

22 under which the Dixiecrats have been able to block civilrights legislation by use of the filibuster. Observers agree that unless profilibuster Rule 22 is revised

on the opening day of the new Congress it will likely mean the end of any hope for meaningful civil-rights legislation for the next four years.

This is the problem: Senate rules can be changed only if the vice president, who serves as president of the Senate, rules that the Senate is not a "continuing body" and therefore a najority is free to adopt new Children returning to Wilules if it sees fit.

liam Frantz are now trans-Nixon will still be vice presiported by Save Our Schools, dent when Congress convenes an organization set up last April. Its chairman, Mrs. N. prior to the inauguration and he will probably rule, as he has in H. Sands, says, "We aren't the past, that the Senate is not afraid. We'll find rides for any " "continuing body." It will then be up to Kennedy to demon-The name of the lone Negro strate his avowed position as child at Frantz, Ruby Nell champion of civil rights by Bridges, was revealed last week. throwing the full weight of his As she leafed through her prim- prestige and authority into re-

Otherwise, the Dixiecrats can

filibuster any civil-rights legis-

lation to death for the next two

years. At the following session

of Congress which convenes in

newly elected vice president will

be in the driver's seat and noth-

slightest hope for any civil-

vising Rule 22.



of armed force and police-state measures last week. Students who held the University of Caracas campus against troops and tanks surrendered Dec. 2. The government followed up its victory by applying dictatorial measures against those who want effective action against widespread unemployment and run-away inflation.

Under martial law, which suspended constitutional rights, wide-scale arrests were made of people suspected of "subveryet it has happened." While the immunity of sion." opposition congressmen from that the current recession will arrest was still recognized, their

Reports from Caracas said Contrary to the implication that resign after admitting that he that revolt still simmers in the the "experts" might be proved had ordered detectives to "bug" slums and that the anticipated unduly pessimistic about not a police union meeting. failure of many firms to pay predicting an upturn before Christmas bonuses could spark mid-1961, the postwar pattern er of public safety, who ordered new demonstrations. (Continued on Page 2)

300 San Diego Students Hear Socialism Debated

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 2 — Three | of the case for socialism. hundred people jammed into an auditorium at San Diego State himself to eulogizing "Western Temple with a concealed micro-College last night to hear a debate over "The Case for Socialhe class struggle is "communist ing across the street.

The speakers were Theodore hogwash" and that in this coun-Edwards, Southern California try we merely have a gradation chairman of the Socialist Workof rank. During the heated discus-

ers party, and Capt. Stanley Nizenski, U.S. Army (retired). A real-estate man in the San Diego area, Nizenski is an associate of the Anti-Communist School recently convened here to train enrollees in the art of "fighting communism."

The meeting was sponsored by "Challenge," a student organization devoted to combating apathy on campus by presenting

when a Negro in the audience asked him if his concept of opposing views on major issues. "Western culture" covered the Proetz's "internal security" di-Capt. Nizenski had some vocal African and Asian people, and vision. Commissioner Peterson supporters in the audience. when another asked how his ex- says-he is dissolving the diviswhich made for a lively evening. position of "Christian charact-

wards.

Fully two-thirds of the ques-

tions were directed to Ed-

The atmosphere was further charged by the presence of a er" related to the school deseg- Mayor George Vavoulis said he San Diego TV cameraman and a regation crisis in New Orleans. reporter from a Los Angeles FM The captain said you can't filtration" of the police union "force" integration on people. station with recording equipment, as well as a local newspaper reporter and photographer. closed, Edwards was the center was "bugged" that the police

on many of the students with his continued at a nearby house un- be removed when his term exextremely effective presentation til two a.m. l pires.

sible break-through to new 1960 to examine Lumumba and "ob- to send a delegation to the lows might be in the making," tain the necessary assurances for United Nations. on the stock market. "Watchers his safety." of the business scene," it adds,



ST. PAUL, Dec. 3 — Chief of

There is no reason to believe Police William Proetz was or- Department, Kasavubu was dered yesterday to take a leave seated as UN delegate representhomes were subjected to search. have run its course by mid-1961. from his job. He had refused to ing the Congo, although he had no legal right to do so.

The question has arisen: Who is paying Mobutu's troops and Robert Peterson, commissionfinancing his military operations? The American and Bel-Proetz to take the leave with gian spokesmen make no bones pay, said he will introduce a about where their support is goesolution in the city council for

his dismissal but saw little ing. Mobutu, who is being groomed as the Batista of the prospect for approval. The police Congo, thumbs his nose at the union has demanded that Proetz UN with all the arrogant assurbe fired. ance of a puppet certain that his Peterson acted after disclosmasters wield the real power. ure that Proetz ordered a lieu-

tenant to attend the policemen's The captain largely devoted union meeting at the Labor culture." He drew a roar of phone. Two other cops recorded laughter when he asserted that the meeting on tape in a build-

Inside Dope

The police chief said he wanted to, get "first-hand informasion period most of the young tion" on what he called "Compeople who took the floor were munist tactics" by policemen who were "packing the meeting sympathetic to Edward's and swaving the members." viewpoint while the captain's

support came largely from He got the idea, he explainolder people in the audience. ed, from a training bulletin issued last March by FBI director J. Edgar Hoover warning of "Communist activities" Capt. Nizenski was hard put in police unions.

The two cops who assisted in the "bugging" belonged to tenanced." 🔹

lion. That ought to help Kennedy felt the idea of "Communist in-Democratic party platform. was "complete nonsense. After the meeting was finally | It was at the meeting which

Edwards made a deep impact of an informal discussion that union had demanded that Proetz dent of the New York Times, his speech thus:

called Senator Dodd's attention

campaign material for the Socialist party.

There was good reason for the

Seeming Paralysis

Meanwhile the newly awak-

estimate. The "Little Boy," Yet, Mobutu executed his dropped on Hiroshima's populacoup and dissolved parliament tion of 343,969, left 78,150 dead, with the United Nations forces 37,425 wounded and 13,083 missstanding by in seeming paraly- ing, according to the 1960 sis. The Belgian colonialists, who World Almanac. The Almanac

were purportedly to be ousted credits the "Fat Man" with killby the UN military contingents, ing 73,884 of Nagasaki's populacame flocking back in the guise tion of 252,630. A Dec. 6 UPI of "technicians" to bolster the dispatch cites a government

Mobutu-Kasavubu gang. With source as estimating 40,000 the backing of the U.S. State wounded there.

picture, the Waco, Texas, Times-Herald disclosed that Air Force

Major Claude R. Eatherly was missing from the Waco Veteran's Administration Hospital. Eatherly was the officer as

hospital after being involved in several burglary incidents. jack. A psychiatrist testified that

Eatherly had a guilt complex, saying he felt responsible for the mass slaughter caused by the two bombs. On the other hand, ex-Presi-

ened African states watch with dent Harry Truman, who ordismay the rape of Congolese dered the bombings, has apparindependence by the colonialist ently never lost a night's sleep Christmas Gift Buying" drive

powers abetted by the seeming over his deed and has declared which was launched in Missis- prisals in Fayette and Haywood impotence of the United Nations. he would do it again. sippi Dec. 1.



In a recent speech, the in-|Nixon would have been in if could commit would be to acfluential Democratic Senator they had not paid at least lip cept whole-hog the convention Thomas J. Dodd of Connecticut | service to their platforms. platform of a victorious party argued that "every Presidential Nixon, he declared, had to and to subordinate the four year

candidate . . . and congressional "compromise" with Rockefeller deliberative process of the Prescandidate ought to announce his on the platform in order'to get ident and Congress to the fourown platform, describing his the nomination. Kennedy had to day drafting process of nongeneral approach, as of the win on an early ballot, and so elected members of the party

tempt of a party convention to tain "pressure groups" - the ladictate to a President or a Con- bor and civil-rights movements. gress concerning constitutional Krock supported the general

his apparent forgetfulness regarding the key problem - getforget his campaign oratory | ting the nomination -- "a lapse about the wonders of the from political realism."

Dodd ridicules the idea that ments at the same time by mak- is a retail gas dealer and has However, Arthur Krock, platforms or campaign promises ing their commitments in gen-Washington political correspon- must be observed. He wound up eral terms. But the end result boycott.

"The worst betrayal of trust tical morality drops a few more to the bind both Kennedy and that any President or Congress degrees.'

The life of a Negro father mother told reporters, "We're whose 12 - year - old daughter

going to see that she gets all the was hospitalized after a beating education she can. We couldn't by the city marshal, was threatget ours." ened in Batesville, Miss., last Names of three girls in Mcweek

Donogh 19 School, where the 1963, Lyndon B. Johnson, the The father, Willie Kurkendall, white blockade remains untold NAACP Field Secretary broken, are still guarded. Medgar Evers that he has re-Meanwhile the world is watch- ing in his past record gives the ceived numerous threats since ing. Writing from Europe, colhis daughter, Linda Fay, was umnist Inez Robb saw "pictures | rights support from that quarter. beaten Nov. 19.

Trouble flared when the girl entered Sterling's Variety Store eating candy. The manager ac-

mother who needs them."

of these berserk Furies threat-So . . . if there is any doubt ening children" doing "irrepar- about where Kennedy stands on able" damage "to the United civil-rights --watch him on the States in its foreign . . . policy." day Congress convenes!



The same day that President | "but I haven't been able to Eisenhower announced approbuy one gallon since Oct. 13 priation of \$1 million to aid ... Now many of the Negro 'refugees" from Cuban "slavtenant farmers and farm ownery," Negro spokesmen were en ers I have been serving are route to Washington to seek fedunable to run their tractors eral surplus food for families and other equipment to harevicted from Tennessee plantavest their crops.' tions for daring to vote in the presidential election.

In addition to evicting sharecroppers from their homes and Nearly 700 families have been shacks on the plantations, the local racists have ben foreclossubjected to savage economic reing long-standing mortgages on counties, according to John Mc- farms, farm equipment and Ferren, chairman of the Fayette other property of Negro land-

County Civic and Welfare owners. Mules, horses and cattle League. "We already have more of tenant farmers have been than 350 families in Fayette seized. County alone who have been The Civil Rights division of the Justice Department has enordered from their homes," Mctered the situation but appears Ferren told the New York Post

Dec. 4. content to move with snail-like 'deliberate speed." "The people have no place On Dec. 1, the department reto go," he said, "and most of quested a Memphis federal them have nothing to eat once udge to issue an injunction to they're thrown off.' plock the impending eviction of

The most acute hardship at some 300 Negro families in Faythe moment, he explained, is beette county. A spokesman said ing caused by the refusal of lothat 39 landowners were plancal dealers to let Negro families ning to evict the families at the aspect of the political sham is buy bottled or natural gas for end of the harvest season or by

"I had the only filling sta-

tion in the county where Ne-

the middle of this month. In addition, local gasoline dis-The request for an immediate tributors have reinstituted a court order was denied and Dec.

effusions. They generally try to countywide boycott on Negroes 19 was set as a hearing date on protect their mental reservations who voted. McFerren, a militant a plea for a preliminary inleader of the right-to-vote fight, unction. The Justice Department inbeen a principal target of the

dicated no move to press for an earlier decision. Nor has it taken legal steps of any kind in Fayette County, where the situgroes could get gas," he said, ation is equally acute.

moment, to basic issues. Any at- had to make "pledges" to cer- platform committee."

Krock regrets that "the worst

that Presidential candidates heating. responsibilities cannot be coun- line of Dodd's speech and called nearly always feel it necessary

to commit themselves to these

and their group vote invest-

is that public estimate of poli-

he slapped her several times and called the city marshal. upon arriving, the marshal is reported to have struck her several times with his fist and to have hit her with his black-

> Little Linda was hospitalized for two days.

The Negro community immediately started withholding patronage from Sterling's. The beating is expected to add

impetus to the NAACP's "No



cused her of taking the candy The day prior to release of the

from his store. Uses Blackjack

When she denied the charge,

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in this article.)

"It is Not Necessary for You To Report for Further Duty" To Meet that "Bitter Paradox" By Cyrus Thomas The weekly union newspaper, The weekly

By George Breitman

And down went the Hearst- lic, for example, was especially was created (whatever they do owned Detroit Times, latest big-city victim of the dog-eat- workers were separated from dog competition in the newspaper business.

shut down) by the Detroit News. an "independent" paper (meaning it's not part of a chain). The only other Detroit daily left is the Free Press, of the Knight chain. So Detroit is now a two-news-

paper city. There are only 91 of these left in the country, and only six with three or more papers (New York, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Washington, Houston and Boston).

Pious Regrets

The News and Free Press fied by phone in the middle of a printed pious regrets about "the one-week vacation that I was passing of a great newspaper." | laid off as of the end of my va-(They had been trying their cation.) best to make it — and each other "pass" long before this.) Then they dug in for a circulation war over the Times' readers and ad-

vertisers. "sudden."

Three o'clock in the morning of Nov. 7 most of the Times' employees were awakened by arrival of a telegram that said: "It is with deep regret that

the management of the Detroit Times must inform you of termination of your services as of the opening of business on Nov. 7, 1960. It is not necessary for you to report for further duty."

Later that day a Times' worker told me he had thought he was the only one being laid off, and wondered why. He didn't find out about the whole paper closing down until he turned on the radio.

It's this aspect of the shut-| Isn't it a fact that this was down that has aroused the most going on in the United States DETROIT - Gobble, gobble. ccmment. The Michigan Catho- long before the Soviet Union

incensed that the Times' 1,400 there)? The Times was bought (and said in an indignant editorial:

"In conscience, we cannot stand by silently and watch such inhuman treatment of men and women . . . Their employer's method of firing we might have expected of the Soviet Union. Not in these United States! Not in Detroit! The dignity of the human person is still inviolable." It's true that losing your job

without advance warning is humiliating as well as painful. (I once had a similar experience on a big newspaper, being noti-

The Main Injury

advance notice are only insult added to injury — the main in-The passing of the Times was, jury for most workers is the as they say in the death notices, loss of the job around which their lives are planned.

There's only one explanation can offer for the Michigan Cotholic's statement that it 'cannot stand by silently and watch such inhuman treatment of men and women." Their edi-



violated all the time.*

life" that the workers have no right to a job and that employers can close down and throw them out onto the street whenever they feel it is unprofitable to continue operating?

What cloud do the editors of the Michigan Catholic live on? They can hardly be living in the same jungle as hundreds of thousands of Michigan workers who are jobless through no fault of their own, whose layoffs are just as callous as those of the Times' workers.

But the timing and lack of

organizing the economy so that it serves human needs and human dignity, not profits and profit-making. tors must be shutting their and workers' democratic control

Otherwise they would know very well that - right here in the United States, right here in Detroit - no day ever goes by that workers, sometimes thousands of them aren't laid off without any consultation. They may get a few days' notice, but are never given any voice or vote in their dismissal.



continuing weakness in jobs and output, on the one hand, but a sharp rise in the cost of living on the other."

After citing the facts of the current economic downturngrowing unemployment due to business recession coupled with rise in the cost-of-living index to a record high — the article concludes:

"Thus America faces once again a bitter paradox: ample supplies of raw materials, great numbers of idle or under-used machines, millions of willing but idle workers and — at the same time vast unmet needs."

Webster's. International Dicionary defines "paradox" as 'something seemingly contra-**Employers Notified** dictory or opposed to common sense but that may yet be true Human dignity, everyone will in fact." This seeming paradox tual responsibility. On this of growing want in the midst basis, all the work on hand agree, ought to be inviolable. But unfortunately it is being of potential plenty has long been a permanent feature of the all existing workers in accordcapitalist system of production ance with how the extent of the The only way to stop it is by and distribution in its period making a big change — by re-

of decline.

At the Heart

In fact, it is this "paradox" which lies at the heart of the anteed minimum, would follow Among other things, this will include government ownership | capitalist mode of production, | the movement of prices. It is which dooms the system of private ownership of the means of program for the present catasof industry — that is, taking the production and exchange and trophic period." ownership and control of indusmakes inevitable the final victry out of the hands of the emtory of socialism on a world ployers who now mismanage scale. All genuine Marxists bethem for their own selfish and lieve in the historical inevitability of socialism and are con-Let this serve as notice to the vinced that there is no final employers — in the middle of resolution of the capitalist the day and with due warning "paradox" short of the aboli-- that that's what is going to tion of the profit system and the happen. In these United States. establishment of a socialist soeietv.

problem? There are some socialists who consider it incorrect for Marxists to advocate "trade union' demands — or any demands short of socialism -- which they stigmatize as "reformism." was amused, for example, to read in the Nov. 12 issue of the Weekly People, organ of the Socialist Labor party, that the "reformist Trotskyists" had virtually plagiarized the demand for an "escalator clause" in the union contract from Charles E. Wilson, former head of General finding commission" petered out Motors

Labor, devotes the lead article of the corporations in their atliving statistics compiled in the the change could go up or down,

tor clause in greater detail later that with insignificant exception there has been an uninterrupted accumulation of escalator wage On the matter of the struggle increases under those union congainst unemployment the tracts containing the clause. transition program affirms:

"Under the menace of its own **Campaign Against Clause** disintegration, the proletariat

Beginning with the last steel cannot permit the transformastrike the employers and their tion of an increasing section of pen prostitutes have waged an the workers into chronically unremitting campaign against unemployed paupers, living off the escalator clause charging the slops of a crumbling sothat it was one of the primary ciety. The right to employment is the only serious right left to causes of inflation. This is sheer nonsense. the worker in a society based on

Wage increases under the escalator clause come only AFTER the Consumers Price Index has registered a significant rise in the cost of living. Yet the profit-gouging steel nagnates were able to emascuate the union cost-of-living

clause and deprive the steel workers of a 3-cent hourly wage increase which would have been of unemployment?" due under the old escalator clause on December 1, 1960. In the corporation was the eliunion was compelled to surrender the clause when the

This drive to scuttle the escalator clause is part of a deliberate campaign by big business to slash the American workers' standard of living. Meanwhile the cost of living continues to rise. The Consumer Price Index rose 0.4 per cent in October to reach a record peak and the trend is still up. The sliding scale of wages, more popularly known as the escalator clause, remains the best defense of the workers standard of living against constantly rising living costs.

Workers Squeezed Out

Unemployment is the scourge of the capitalist "paradox." Since the end of World War II this country has gone through a series of boom-recession cycles in each of which the problem of unemployment has become more acute. The rise in "conjunctural" unemployment has been paralleled by an increase in "structural" unemployment. That is, the increased tempo of automation and mechanization s squeezing millions of workers out of the productive mechanism and creating a problem of chronic unemployment. What is the answer? John L Lewis, with his customary can-

lor, summed up the prevailing view of the American union eaders in his retort to an interviewer on automation-mechanization unemployment: Fewer obs, at better pay. Under this philosophy the number of coal

incorporated in a number of the union contract. The escala- of the American labor move- adopted during the Truman adunion contracts and has since tor clause was pegged to the ment when confronted with the ministration. The number af The weekly union newspaper, become one of the major targets changes recorded in the cost of problem of growing unemploy- hours required to absorb all ment is for the shorter work unemployed workers can be Consumers Price Index. While week at no reduction in pay. easily determined.

While the labor leaders give lip Writing on this problem in it is a matter of historical fact service to the demand for a the April 13, 1959 New Leader, shorter work week they take the labor economist W. S. Woythe "easy way out" by adapt- tinsky, observed that "the last ing themselves to the Lewis cutback in hours of work was formula: Fewer jobs at better effected during the Great Depression when part-time work.

This short-sighted policy can only serve to divide the hours, became a common pracworking class, embitter the unemployed and play into the hands of the union-busting employers.

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as a new fair. labor-practice The problem of growing un- standard. Since that time very employment, both conjunctural little has been done to adjust and structural, can be seriously hours of work to changing ecotackled only through the de- nomic and technological connand for the sliding scale of ditions." hours — or as popularly ex-

The bitter paradox of Ameripressed, the demand for 30 can capitalism - growing unhours work at 40 hours pay. employment, idle plant and idle labor in the midst of "vast un-met needs," while the cost of

"What," we are sometimes living continues to soar, can be asked, "would happen if the combatted effectively only under hours of work were reduced to such demands as serve to unite 30 and there was still a problem the workers in action against the owning class.

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(Continued from Page 1) in the boom-recession cycle tells 1950 to 1953.

war.

a different story. The immediate postwar boom cession of 1953-54. Then another conference in Washington on ended in the recession of 1949. period of "prosperity" - this April 8, 1959 toward the tail end The recession of 1949 ended with one, from 1953-57, shorter by ap- of the economic downturn. With the war in Korea which brought proximately one year than the a Republican administration a period of "prosperity" that previous boom. By 1958 the and a Democratic Congress, both



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This was followed by the re- ed a nationwide unemployment

narrow interests.

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economy was in the throes of were able to pass the buck. another recession from which it Lyndon B. Johnson, spokesman emerged only in the middle of for the Democratic majority in 1959. Then another "boom," this Congress, appeared at the conone of even shorter duration, ference and scuttled any effecfrom mid-1959 to mid-1960, lead- | tive action by setting up a "facting into the current economic finding commission to study the problem of unemployment and downturn.

The trend revealed by the pattern of postwar economic davs.' movement is that of ever shorter periods of "prosperity" larded with deeper-going

unions. How to meet this

recommend a solution within 60 That was almost two years ago. So far as we know the "fact-

However, the vast majority of the American working class are not convinced of these truths. They believe that their needs can be met within the framework of the socalled "free enterprise" system, primarily through fhe instrumentality of their trade

means of this struggle, no matter what its immediate practical success may be, the

Anticipating the usual objections, the transition program added: "Property owners and

mands. Smaller, especially ruined capitalists, in addition will refer to their account edgers. The workers categorically denounce such concluions and references. The question is not one of a 'normal' colision between opposed material interests. The question is one of guarding the proletariat from

decay, demoralization and ruin. The question is one of life or death of the only creative and progressive class, and by that token of the future of mankind. "If capitalism is incapable of satisfying the demands, inevitably arising from the calamities generated by itself, then let it perish. 'Realizability' or 'unrealizability' are in the given instance a guestion of the relationship of forces, which can be decided only by the struggle. By

program — to mobilize the

workers in struggle around de-

the reformist socialists.

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had to run faster and faster

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that the economy is in another help round out his crucial "first Hours.

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The Founding Conference met in 1938 and adopted a "transi- the needs of the workers is ateligible for compensation are for the purpose of formulating some modifications, is the basic the struggle. The inflationary program of the Socialist Work-PHILADELPHIA Kmas Bazaar and Social. Sat-urday, Dec. 17, from 6 p.m. a list of demands to be present-of job security, unemployment Job firsted in the gogvernments statistics. Nor are those includ-ed who have been "furloughed" for temporary periods and are a list of demands to be present-ed to the White House and Con-gress dealing with the problems from Pioneer Publishers, 116 from Pioneer Publishers, 116 a list of demands to be present-ed to the White House and Con-gress dealing with the problems for temporary periods and are a list of demands to be present-ed to the White House and Con-gress dealing with the problems from Pioneer Publishers, 116 a waiting recall, etc., etc. compensation, health insurance, N.Y.) Of the various demands the course of bitter strike old age pensions, etc., etc.? Such in the transition program, the struggle were soon dissipated demands could provide the Ken- ones that concern us here ap- by rising prices and increased nedy administration with a pear as a separate section un- living costs. guide to the kind of legislation der the heading: Sliding Scale his labor supporters required to of Wages and Sliding Scale of

> The section on the sliding scale of wages and hours pinpoints the "two basic economic afflictions, in which is summarized the increasing absurdity of the capitalist system: that is unemployment and high prices, [which] demand generalized slogans and methods of struggle.'

This was written 22 years ago. The author was Leon Trotsky. It seems that our present "paradox" was not unknown then and was taken into account when formulating the transition program embodying the "generalized slogans and methods of struggle."

Formulated one year before the outbreak of World War II, the transition program warned that: "Against a bounding rise in prices, which with the approach of war will assume an ever more unbridled character, one can only fight under the titled to full compensation for slogan of a sliding scale of the entire period of their unemwages. This means that collective agreements should assure (3) For compulsory federal an automatic rise in wages in unemployment - compensation | relation to the increase in prices standards set at trade-union of consumers goods."

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liquidating capitalist slavery." miners has been more than The last sentence sums up halved while coal production the essence of the transition has risen.

Longshoremen Too

mands that meet their needs The same philosophy was adwith the knowledge that in the vocated recently by leaders of course of struggle for such dethe Pacific Coast International mands they will come to recog-Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union who, in exchange It is for removing all curbs on waterfront automation-mechansition demands from the soization, advocated the setting up of a special fund to recompense the reduced number of long-That the demand for a sliding shoremen that would be rescale of wages and hours meets quired to handle cargo. A simlar plan has been promoted by the leaders of the International Longshoremen's Association on the East Coast.

The tendency is for fewer workers to produce more in less time. The traditional demand

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Another Such Victory

What is a platform promise worth? Not much, according to an inside story by columnist Arthur Krock, dean of Washington correspondents, in the New York Times of Dec. 6.

It seems that Senator Clark of Pennsylvania has been demanding that Senate committee chairmen who failed to support the Democratic party platform or ticket be demoted regardless of seniority. Clark's immediate target was Senator Byrd of Virginia, Dixiecrat head of the powerful Senate Finance Committee, who strongly opposed the Democratic party platform pledge to "repeal the authorization for 'right-to-work' laws."

"But," says Krock, Clark's shot at Byrd "ricocheted to land with much more impact on President-elect Kennedy and Vice President-elect Johnson. It develops that both have given assurance they do not intend to assist those Democrats who will attempt to redeem one of the major pledges in the Los Angeles platform that Byrd denounced." The pledge was to amend the Taft-Hartley Act to make state "right-to-work" statutes illegal.

Krock goes on to remark: "Virginia is one of the seventeen states with 'right-towork' laws, and Senator Byrd's announcement that he would resist this repeal by Congress was well known to Senators Kennedy and Johnson when, at Senator Kennedy's suggestion, they called on him, after their nominations by the national party convention, to enlist his campaign support. He [Byrd] reviewed his dissent to a number of platform pledges, notably the one quoted above. Senator Kennedy, with the concurrence of his running-mate and in the presence also of Senator Smathers of Florida, then informed Byrd that the Administration would not include the repeal in its legislative program."

Arthur Krock is no keyhole columnist for some provincial newspaper. As dean of the New York Times Washington staff his pipelines reach into the top circles of government. His disclosure of the shell conclude that all disarmament game played by Kennedy and Johnson proposals are suspect. Some can cannot be lightly brushed aside or ignored. In essence, what Krock's revelation discloses is that both Kennedy and Johnson and which is arming in legitimade a cynical commitment to the Dixie- mate self-defense. crats immediately following their nomination by the Democratic party convention, a commitment to scuttle the platform pledge to repeal Taft-Hartley authorization for State "right-to-work" laws.

Both Democratic party candidates went through the entire election campaign beating their breasts over their firm adherence to every platform promise. The labor lieutenants of the Democratic party used the "right-to-work" platform repeal pledge to rally their members to work, give and vote for these two-faced "friends."

When the unions were hit last year with the Kennedy-Landrum-Griffin law, George Meany, head of the AFL-CIO remarked about the 1958 "labor victory" which returned the Democrats as a large majority in both houses of Congress: Another such victory and we'll be finished.

It looks like the "labor statesmen" have gone and done it again!

dismantling or even reduction of international control and inof arms stockpiles is concerned spection of the process of dis-It is worth noting, too, that proarmament. posals to disarm are often made **Russians Agree** to facilitate an arms build up. Hitler, for example, began At first the Russians were cool his rearmament of Germany to the Western proposals. Then in the thirties with proposals on May 10, 1955, the Soviet to the other imperialist powdelegate presented a document ers to disarm. When his ofto the subcommittee accepting

lead to nothing, so far as actual

The current dispute over dis-

rmament is a case in point

Study of the contrasting posi-

tions of the governments of the

States quickly reveals which

Soviet Union and the United

disarmament offers are sincere

and which are made as propa-

Castro's Position

ganda gestures.

Political Committee?

fers were rejected, he utilized the Western proposals on manthis as justification to speed power reduction, conventional his armaments program in arms reduction, arms budget repreparation for World War II. duction and the scheduling of Despite this instructive recthe destruction of existing nuord, it would be incorrect to clear weapons.

In addition, the Russians agreed to the establishment of serve a constructive purpose an "International Control Orsuch as exposing which power gan is arming with aggressive intent

The proposal included setting up a "staff . . . selected on an international basis" with "rights and powers to exercise control, including inspection on a containuing basis, to the extent necessary to ensure implementation of the above - mentioned Convention by all states." The Russian document was a

block-buster. Jules Moch, the French delegate, commented,

the plenary session or in the ongue-tied for 48 hours. Finally, after consultation with the State Department, he made the following statement:

Fidel Castro, speaking for "We have been gratified to Cuba, demanded that disarmafind that the concepts which we ment be discussed openly in the have put forward over a considplenary session. If the discuserable length of time, and which sions did not result in actual we have repeated many times disarmament, he said, they would during this past two months, at least expose before the peohave been accepted in large ples of the world the real culmeasure by the Soviet Union. prits in the arms race. As the The British delegate, likewise struck dumb for 48 hours, at last declared that the negotiations had "now achieved this welcome dividend, and that the proposals [of the West] have now been largely, and in some

cases, entirely, adopted by the Soviet Union and made into its own proposals." So far so good. For the mom

ent it appeared that the world's two greatest powers had reached an understanding that would enable them to end the arms race and begin dismantling their stockpile of armaments.

The Russians logically pro posed that the drafting of a treaty begin immediately. But the Western powers suddenly decided that they needed a summer recess. Over Russian objec tions, they adjourned the sub-

Eisenhower Shifts

At the Geneva "summit"

clear. They also proposed means posals to the Russians!

It was difficult to escape the conclusion that the American participants had withdrawn their own proposals simply because the Russians had accepted them.

cover up by talking disarma-

the armament stockpile. The State Department had suddenly lost the traditional advantage an imperialist government seeks in "disarmament"

to withdraw the proposals that ment while actually increasing had been accepted by the opposing side. The only saving factor for the State Department was that the whole business had

nappened in a subcommittee of a subcommittee and therefore night soon be forgotten. One can imagine the reaction in the State Department over the possibility that such a situa-

tion might be repeated before the television cameras at the current plenary session of the General Assembly. Herter's eagerness to avoid a gallery consisting of the world's television audience is understandable.

On the other hand, Khrushchev's distaste for "your little committees" can be appreciated in light of the Russian experience of 1955.

Moreover the Soviet demand to carry on the discussion in the plenary sessions, indicates that they have nothing to hide in regard to the disarmament problem.

The U.S. delegation, apparently, was not so confident.

Foster Wins His Fight For Treatment Abroad

After repeated requests, a ederal judge finally issued an order Dec. 2 permitting ailing William Z. Foster, long-time Communist party leader, to travel to the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia for medical treatment.

Foster was indicted under the Smith Act in 1948 but never brought to trial because of his poor health. He was partially paralyzed by a stroke several years ago. He is now 79.

That "Total Vote" Mystery

It isn't easy for an organization that calls itself "socialist" to support the antilabor candidates of the Democratic party. This is illustrated by the gymnastics of the Socialist Party — Social Democratic Federation which didn't get around to backing Kennedy until after the election was over.

Before the election, the SP-SDF said it had decided not to run a presidential candidate because it didn't want to alienate "its "friends" in the labor and liberal movement who were mistakenly committed to the Democrats.

The Nov. 1 issue of New America, official voice of the SP-SDF, even took a critical attitude toward Kennedy. It reported that Willard Shelton, managing editor of the AFL-CIO News, had exposed a deal between the Kennedy machine and the Dixiecrats.

New America sternly declared: "In

curiously evasive on the simple issue of whom to vote for. An editorial stated: "NEW AMERICA advocates a total vote for peace, Civil Rights and political realignment." It did not say which lever to use in the voting booth to cast that "total vote."

The mystery was cleared up after the election. A Dec. 1 New America editorial proclaims that the hair-line Democratic victory fully vindicated the SP-SDF decision not to run a candidate since such a candidate could have taken enough votes the action by claiming that the away from Kennedy to defeat him.

"Though we are basically critical of the Democratic party . . . we do not regard the Democrats as 'just' another Party, as various less-publicized UN subthe simple Tweedledum to the Republican committees indicates that the Tweedledee," the editorial says.

It continues: "In the days to come we will be working with the liberals in the mous pacifist author and winner meeting in July, Eisenhower Democratic party on a host of issues like of the Nobel peace prize, can- announced his "open skies" pro Civil Rights, trade union legislation, and peace."

Krushchev likewise demanded that the General Assembly take up the disarmament question in plenary sess i on. "We know your little committees," he said. "They are a stable of horses and we know the smell in them."

However, the U.S., the dominant power in the United Nations, had the question referred to the Political Committee. Christian A. Herter motivated Russians wanted the more open debate for propaganda purposes However, the record of the dis-

real motive for referral was something different.

Philip Noel-Baker, world-fa-

committee sessions.



Target of Union-Busters

other textile unionists, he was framed up on a charge of 'conspiring" to dynamite the struck plant. Gov. Luther Hodges, who sent the National Guard to run scabs through the picket lines, twice rejected clemency appeals for the victimized unionists. Hodges is "friend-of-labor" Kennedy's choice for Secretary of Commerce. In Other Lands

Cuba, China Announce Trade Agreement

State Dept. Forced **To Pull Fleet Back** Defenders of the Cuban revo-

ution were heartened by the announcement in Peking Dec. 1 that Che Guevara, president of provisions against Cuba." the Cuban National Bank, had

negotiated a favorable economic agreement with the People's the White House: "In a move Republic of China.

The Mao government extended an interest-free loan of \$60 million for the purchase of Chinese goods and technical help during the next four years. Repayment is to begin not indicate how many years they would run.

New York Times, "was regarded by some Latin-American diplomats as preliminary to a more determined effort by the United States to persuade the O.A.S. to invoke the Rio Treaty's collective security

Belair indicated that this was also the interpretation around action against Cuba grew from described authoritatively as the Senor Betancourt last week that first of a series of steps intended Cubans were behind the Leftto break the grip of the Castro wing disturbances here. But it regime on the Cuban people, appears Venezuela has very lit-President Eisenhower authorized the use of up to \$1,000,000 | rect involvement, aside from for relief and resettlement of in 1966 but the dispatches did the growing number of Cuban and she is not ready to take the refugees . . ."

|Ydigoras of Guatemala and Somoza of Nicaragua had in recent weeks when they provided the excuse for rushing the U.S. Navy into the Caribbean.

Szulc's revelations would confirm this interpretation: "United States' hopes that Venezuela would take the lead in seeking an insinuation in a speech by tle actual evidence of such di-Cuban propaganda activities, case to the O.A.S., particularly

The rebuff which Eisen-

hower's secret inquiries met

with in Venezuela undoubt-

edly explains his cancellation

Dec. 7, the day after Szulc's

play of U.S. naval force in the

The retreat is a welcome one.

but it would be quite a false

hope to take this as a sign that

the State Department is calling

off its counter - revolutionary

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Leftist pressures at home."

broadest public international forum, the plenary session could better serve this purpose than any subcommittee removed from public scrutiny.

cussions on disarmament in the

In the current session of the United Nations, the disarma-"The whole thing looks too good ment debate began on a "proto be true." cedural" question: Where should Can't Do That to Us the subject be discussed — in The American delegate was

short, if Shelton's report is accurate (and coming from a supporter of the Democratic ticket, it would be shocking if it were not), the Kennedy forces have made a deal which guts every serious promise of the New Frontier."

The same issue of New America was

"First 100 Days"

As President-elect Kennedy's inauguration draws closer and closer, the bright promise of candidate Kennedy's historic "first 100 days" grows dimmer and dimmer.

The pledge of rapid and dynamic action sought to revive in voters' minds the legend of Roosevelt's "first 100 days" when the skeletal framework of the New Deal was fabricated for the social legislation that followed.

Polaris Brinkmanship

Pentagon propagandists are boasting that the Polaris-carrying submarine is the ultimate weapon - able to sneak undetected to the shores of the Soviet Union and there on behalf of the "free world" deliver H-bombs on target with a destructive power twice that of all the bombs dropped by all belligerents in World War II.

The New Statesman, a British weekly, calls attention in its Nov. 5 issue to some flaws in the boasts:

(1) Soviet missile capacity is far ahead of the U.S. Soviet missiles are accurate and either now or shortly can knock out American nuclear and industrial complexes in case of war.

(2) The Polaris "is a primitive weapon. Its margin of error is so great that it is pointless to zero it on Soviet nuclear bases: it can be used only for the indiscriminate destruction of Soviet population centers." Consequently, Britain can expect "retaliation on a comparable scale" if the pigboats are harbored in British waters.

(3) There is no guarantee that either the British or American governments will be consulted before the H-bombs are fired. "Admiral Rickover . . . has himself admitted that a Polaris submarine commander can lose complete contact with base (let alone Washington and London) and may therefore be obliged to fire his missiles at his own discretion, with stray radio bul-

We wonder how those who joined the SP-SDF because they wanted to work for socialism feel now that they know that the "total vote" position really meant postelection work in the Democratic party?

The bright young men in the Kennedy stable have had second thoughts. As reported in the Dec. 7 Wall Street Journal:

"They are gearing instead for a long, hard pull. The estimate now is that the incoming administration can reach its peak of power and velocity only after the 1962 Congressional elections, or perhaps not until Mr. Kennedy's second term in the White House - if he's re-elected.

letins, picked up on the submarine's receivers, as his sole guidance."

(4) The British have no veto power whatsoever on any decision to fire the missiles. Veto can be secured only through physical control, "and this the Americans refuse." "Indeed," continues the New Statesman, "they will not even allow British representatives on the Polaris submarines."

(5) On the claim that it is undetectable. "It is nothing of the sort. In his 1959 White ain, Canada and the Soviet covered. Paper, Mr. Sandys rejected the missile Union. submarine on the grounds that it was detectable - indeed, he actually used the word at a press conference on 10 February 1959. Since then detection techniques have unquestionably advanced; there is nothing to prevent Soviet 'killer' submarines from shadowing each Polais vessel from the moment it leaves port . . . and destroying it instantly in the event of hostilities. The tant local and national issues. Polaris submarine has no effective defensive equipment."

Those are strong arguments, we think, torium on debt seizures, a for putting the Polaris in mothballs. And shorter work week, extension while bids for mothballs are being solicited of unemployment compensation it might be a good idea to order enough of the chemical to take care of the Pentagon too.

Isn't it about time America turned away from H-bomb "brinkmanship" and gram and a revision of the local abolition of tuition fees to make tax structure to put the burden "equal opportunity" in univertook the lead in seeking peace?

not seriously be considered as posal - a scheme, ostensibly, to biased in the Soviet direction. prevent surprise attacks. How-

In fact he states in his book, "The Arms Race": "But at no the subcommittee reconvened time has it been open to doubt that the United States Govern-Aug. 29.

ment and people detest war, detest armament competition, and, like their President, are genuinely dedicated to the cause of on the new agreement, the U.S.

Noel-Baker's Conclusion

peace

mit:

Yet this British author, who does not doubt the "serious dedication" of the U.S. government to peace, is forced to ad-

"Two events of overriding importance stand out from the history of the UN work on disarmament since 1952; the Russian acceptance of a great part of the West's proposals on May 10, 1955; and the United States suspension of those proposals four months after Russia had accepted them. What is the story behind this

now almost forgotten but remarkably revealing incident? In January 1952 the UN set up a new Disarmament Commission to deal with both nuclear and "conventional" weapons. Thereafter formal negoti-

(Continued from Page 1) U.S.-sparked cold war and to the plans for the nuclear armament of Canada.

At the same time the ticket is fighting on a series of impor-With unemployment rising swiftly in the area, Dowson and Harris are calling for a mora-

program. They are demanding exten-

ever, the real purpose of the proposal became evident when

Instead of starting where they had left off, instead of submitting a draft of a treaty based

> delegation busily praised Eisenhower's "open skies" scheme as the "curtain raiser" for or the "gateway" to disarmament.

However, this transparent maneuver could not work for any length of time and on Sept the U.S. delegation had to admit:

"The United States does now place a reservation upon all of its pre-Geneva substantive positions taken in this Sub-Committee or in the Disarmament Commission or in the U.N. on these questions in relationship to levels of armaments.'

In other words, all the American proposals made in the previous decade had been with drawn.

Unconvincing Reasons

move were hardly convincing. The Americans claimed they ations took place through this had discovered that current in commission and its subcommit- spection techniques could not tee, consisting of representatives guarantee that purposely hidden of the U.S., France, Great Brit- nuclear weapons would be dis-

But the question of inspection

Toronto Socialist Ticket

business interests instead of the workers. They are urging an end to voting qualifications based on property ownership, propos-

ing instead a vote for everyone over the age of 18. John Darling, the Young So-

cialist Alliance candidate for Board of Education, is running on a platform that includes building of new schools in the older, working-class districts and an effective public-works free textbooks in the high schools, abolition of all religious instruction in the schools, rais-

sion and improvement of the ing of teaching qualifications low-cost public housing pro- and teachers salaries, and the of municipal finance on the sity education a reality.

Among other items covered by the \$60-million credit, Cuba is to

receive 24 plants, installation to begin in the coming year. The \$60-million loan compares with a 12-year loan of \$100,000,-000 at 2½ percent interest grant-

ed by the Soviet government to of American foreign ministers to Cuba last February for purchase of Soviet products.

China also agreed to a 1961 trade arrangement in which Cuba will exchange one million tons of sugar and other Cuban products for Chinese goods of equivalent value.

The Soviet government, in call for breaking diplomatic and mains a long and difficult one. omparison, agreed last February to buy five million tons of sugar from Cuba in the next five years at the current world market price, one-fifth to be paid tee for political defense to conin dollars, four-fifths in Soviet nachinery. Szulc continued.

Counter-revolutionary Front

While the beleaguered revoluionary government of Cuba thus sought and found aid in distant Peking, the nearby U.S. government, representing Wall Street, continued to hammer away in its "Hate Cuba" cam-

paign.

Eisenhower announced Dec. 2 that he had decided to designate the regime of Premier Fidel Castro as "Communistcontrolled."

which it had charged only a Some of Washington's more few days before was inspired cunning propagandists sought to by Cuba. rovide a plausible cover for The Washington strategists this lying label by saying that indoubtedly hoped that Betanthe White House had to desigcourt would respond the way nate Cuba that way, truth to the

contrary, in order to free funds for jobless counter-revolutionary Cuban refugees in Miami. Eisenhower, in fact, earmarked \$1 million for this purpose.

The excuse was rather thin in view of the billions of dollars for which Central Intelligence need make no accounting. Undisclosed sums from undisclosed sources are already pouring into the treasuries of various Cuban counter-revolutionary outfits in Florida and elsewhere.

Other, more ominous explanations were advanced for Eisenhower's handout. "The **President's move today," Felix** Belair, Jr., reported in the

Plans Suffer Set Back

But Washington's counterrevolutionary plans were not running smoothly. "The United States has found no encouragement in Venezuela for a plan to convoke soon a new conference report, of the belligerent disseek far-reaching sanctions against Cuba." This admission

came from Caracas Dec. 6. It was made by Ted Szulc, the biterly anti-Castro correspondent of the New York Times.

the Dominican Republic."

"The main features of the dogs. The struggle in defense of United States plan were said to the Cuban revolution still re-

economic relations with Cuba, creating an inter-American emergency force,' and establishing an inter-American 'commit-

trol revolutionary activities, "Venezuela notified Washing-

hour speech at the United Na on that she not only would re fuse to bring a complaint against tions Cuba to the Organization of That was because he explained Wall Street's role in American States, as the State Department had hoped, but also Cuba and Latin America and because he told what the revwould not even agree to a conolution is doing for Cuba and ference on Cuba until the O.A.S. what should be done to comhad taken decisive action against

bat the colonialists and warmakers on a world scale. The State Department's dis-Now available in English appointment at this setback you can find out for yourself may be imagined, since the what Castro's speeches are Betancourt regime was still really like. A first-class item putting down a rebellion for that friend who wants to

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know the truth about Cuba.





Caribbean.

The reasons given for this

Bridge to the Folies Bergere?

the Follies' Bergere.

relaxation."

the Authority a lof of money

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mium increases and the trip

tc Paris was merely for "some

By Harry Ring

The Port of New York Authority has the staggering re- Democrat. sponsibility of keeping land, sea in the country's densest metropolitan area.

The joint New York-New Jerof the Holland and Lincoln tun- property for clients. nels and the George Washington bridge, which accommodate 80 million vehicles a year; International, La Guardia, Newark and Teterboro airports, which handle some 13 million passengers and about 500 million pounds of cargo and mail a year; public piers in four cities of the bistate area; truck terminals in two cities and the Port Authority bus terminal in New York, biggest in the world.

It takes men with top ability to handle that kind of an operation. So the governors of New York and New Jersey each appoint six members of the authority, with long executive experience obviously a key factor in their selection.

But, quite naturally, men of that stature have a lot of responsibilities of their own which they can't be expected to drop, particularly since they serve on the Authority without salary.

Take Authority Chairman Samuel Sloan Colt. He is or has been an officer of these companies: National City Bank, Mutual Life Insurance, General Foods Corp. and a half dozen others.

So it's understandable that men like these have to delegate some of their responsibility as Authority members to paid functionaries. They see to it that these men earn a decent wage. Austin J. Tobin, executive director of the Authority, draws \$60,-000 a year. He's outranked among public officials only by the president of the United States, who gets \$100,000.

Seven employees earn \$40,000 a year and 21 receive \$27,000 or more.

Nevertheless, some of the Port Authority employees have sought to increasé their standard of living from other sources, if we are to believe tes-

By Robert Chester

George Washington bridge. Patriotic New Yorkers consider it one of the world's most beautiful structures. To the Port Authority, the most beautiful feature seems to be the toll booth where motorists are stopped as if they were at the gates of a Middle Ages barony. Congressman Celler says tolls have paid for the bridge twice over.

Get Out the Slide Rule

It seems that the big distillers has become an art. The first 5% ounces of tooth paste for 83

I'm against discrimination. cunces. Now she can get only shortening in price."

liquor tax money). They pro- size of what it really holds. For hidden on a shelf . . ,"

because he thought this neces- \$23.71; caviar, \$32."

Other firms have a relation

with Authority personnel that Paris, including a night out at has a warmer sound than the tinkle of cold cash. The J. S. Frelinghuysen Corp., the agency's exclusive insurance broker since 1946, reportedly laid out more than \$4,000 in a 21-month period for entertainment and gifts for Authority officers.

According to the subcommit-

timony before a House Judiciary tee, James J. Doyle, the Au- tained cordial relations with subcommittee headed by Rep. thority's \$40,000-a-year financial banks, according to the findings. Emmanuel Celler, Brooklyn director, was the beneficiary at It has kept more than a quarter a Hotel Pierre party of such of a million dollars on deposit

sary to get leases of Authority The congressional subcommit- and that the deposit could have country's plants: workers are grow as more blue chip comtee said that Mr. Doyle was also drawn \$150,000 in interest. However, he was informed given a trip to London and

that whatever little service was done for the banks was more than compensated for by The financial director anthe free advice the banks have swered that the "very gruelgiven the Authority. ing week in London" saved

The investigating committee midst of plenty during a boom was somewhat stumped by the as well as a bust? Even more Authority's bookkeeping. When exciting, isn't it possible to work the toll system, one of the evils out a way of turning this good of feudal times, was attached to The Authority has also mainthe Holland and Lincoln tunnels and the George Washington bridge, it was understood that the levy on travelers would be reduced as construction costs

were liquidated. Who can prove how much of the costs of the projects have been paid for? The Authority throws income and debts from all projects into one pot.

that the Holland tunnel has concentration camp level. Most for bulk...." "been paid for four times over remarkable of all it sold for \$1.59 by interstate motorists and the for eight ounces - enough to George Washington bridge twice starve you a whole day. over."

Mother of 2 Faces N.Y. **Grand** Jury

partment Thanksgiving eve be- in on the ground floor of Amer- drinkable stuff. cause she had only 15 cents, no ica's newest booming industry. A big flaw in the advertising job, no food and was about to

lose her apartment. Eileen Weiss, 29, had planned

to place the children, Michael, 5, and Maria, 4, in a foster home but was told it would take three weeks. She left them in the depart-

ment store with a note that said: "I love them dearly, but I have no money, no food and no place to go. Things are

I'm for equal rights. But when No. 303 cans holding 16 ounces However you can beat the Joe" Rosenfield, of the "Happi-

of our holiday cheer have been trick is to put the weight in an cents over 4 5/8 ounces for 69. In addition to moving for dis- I can always consult the Milidiscriminated against and they obscure place in print so fine cents. It also shows that the missal of the charge, Miss tant. complained to the Alcohol and and deftly colored that it's vir- highly advertised canned apple Weiss's attorney asked Magis-

agency that scoops in your the container look twice the pensive than the regular bottle Children's Shelter where they ism just as I have. are now being held.

Weiss has lost 30 pounds in

the past three weeks. The

judge denied the request to

The American Way of Life 900 Calorie Diet

One of the virtues of a de- Advertising for the concen-A Newark real-estate broker items as "dinner, \$161.10; re- in various accounts that draw pression is the opportunity it tration camp diet will run at and air traffic flowing smoothly testified that he paid an Author- freshments, \$35.95; photographs, no interest. Rep. Celler said that offers for weight reduction. To an estimated \$20 million a year, ity official \$9,575.38 in one year \$45.95; Scotch and champagne, \$100,000 has been laying in get rid of the glut of commo- according to Ad Age. And "pro-Banker's Trust since the 1920's dities, capitalists close down the motion money is destined to

automatically deprived of pay panies come into the market Stifle Integration and Social checks; and the end result is place with their own versions of Progress" is the title of a pamthe healthful loss of countless one-stop weight reducers." tons of human fat.

But why wait for a depression

to enjoy this beneficial effect?

Isn't it possible to starve in the

side of a depression into a prof-

itable enterprise that can help

dash of vitamins and anti-

Like magic it made you feel

calorie intake to 900 a day,

keep the boom rolling?

appetite chemicals.

Ad Age quotes a top manufacturer as saying: "This is going to be part of the American way of life." Like hot dogs and pie a la mode. That seems for sure. Sealtest tions put to them by witch-

is now pushing the accelerator hunting federal and state invesdown to the floor boards in a tigating committees. high-powered advertising campaign for its 900 Calorie Diet, statement made by Carl Braden,

choice of chocolate, vanilla or white integration worker, when American ingenuity came coffee. up with the answer a year ago: Of course Sealtest, being "a the House Committee on Un-Metrecal! This was a powder name you know and trust," in- American Activities: composed of bean flour, starch, coconut oil, yeast, a

dicates it's "advisable to consult your physician regarding the ations are none of the busibest method of use." Also if you ness of this committee." make the dairy product "your total diet" it is "advisable to nonhungry, yet reduced your sentenced to one year in prison drink plenty of water and to for "contempt," a sentence that is now up for review before the U.S. Supreme Court.

In any ointment you can find a fly. That seems to be the case even in this happy solution to the problem of how to deprive yourself of food while keeping up meal costs. John C, York, a New York dairy cooperative official, claims that the laboratory marvel is "simply trumped-up skim milk.

ing integrationists. But that sounds like sour a spokesman of the Borden Co. grapes, for his real complaint is As the pamphlet explains, at proving that Negroes are NEW YORK, Dec. 6 — A city as that huge outfit brought out that the producers pay only the those who suffer most in such genetically "inferior." magistrate today refused to dis- its version of the miracle food low prices fixed for the raw government inquisitions are not miss abandonment charges eliminator. Sealtest, Pet Milk, material used in powdered milk the victims who may have to go man of the House Un-American against a mother who left her Foremost Dairies and the Dairy- products while they should pay to prison. Their integrity of Committee, was listed as a memtwo children in Gimbel's toy de- men's League scrambled to get at the "fluid-milk" rate for this character is not destroyed by ber of a committee which dissuch treatment.

The real victims are those campaign is that it is aimed who may never be called be-

only at those who have trouble

from \$43,336,793 in the first nine tion to the Madison Avenue months of 1959 to \$84,501,083 in pitchmen — why not create a the 1960 period. Net income in favorable product-image for the the first nine months climbed poor-appetite crowd? To add

On the American Stock Ex- 900 Calorie Dessert! Or is that in the South today where many Conference Educational Fund, change the company's stock the next campaign?

Harvest of Dollars Mead Johnson sales soared resisting food. Here's a sugges-

from \$4,127,974 to \$10,370,674. weight, top off that meal with

they might be called some find it well worth circulating. It day.'

democratic rights for fear rights and civil liberties will This is particularly important ed by writing to the Southern

- Paul Abbott refuse to say so out of fear the leans 12, La.

By Anthony Dean

"How Legislative Inquisitions

In answering the witch-hunt-



A big campaign is now being the Militant from people who per cent. I don't agree with him carried on to wipe out illiter- saw or heard our political pro- on Hungary. I think the trouble acy. During the summer 1,000 gram for the first time during there was started by Dulles and high-school students went to the campaign. Well, the experi- the Voice of Wall Street and magazine I decided to draw the dropped proportionately. their slide rule along. ". . A said he would secure her a job cialistic paper I've read. If I Sierra Maestra for a special ence that the American workers the clerical fascists and the teacher-training course. They will have in the coming period same crowd that backed Batista went with very high morale, will stimulate and increase their against Castro.

to bring a bit of light to the tion to what real socialists have Dobbs 100 per cent, I'm waitlives of those who do not even to offer them. C. R. Hedlund

you friends because everyone that defends the Cuban govern-

ing to see what he'll call me. Meanwhile, I call myself an in-

> C.T. Fond du Lac, Wis.

leaped from 68 to 161. very black for me." Detectives picked her up the next morning. The abandonment charge was pressed by the Society for the Prevention of in No. 2 cans containing 20 shorter without a corresponding Cruelty to Children. Arraign-

ment was postponed after "Big A Young Booster

I came across this article in the or. No. 300 cans holding 141/2 game. A triumphant shopper ness Exchange" radio program September Consumer Reports ounces, but prices have not wrote that he and his wife took raised \$50 for Miss Weiss and

Packaging of food and soaps slide rule permits us to choose and apartment. Hold Children

juice on 'sale' and prominently trate Tolleris that her children school also enjoy it and many ternal Revenue Service (the The second trick is to make displayed is actually more ex- be returned to her from the are turning to Marxian social-

> Keep up the good work! He told the court that Miss

Editor: The Militant is the finest so-

don't know what to make of an article in a paper (big business)

Many of my friends in high

Yours for a Socialist Society. M.K. M.K. yellow or Russian. You cannot Labor Acted imagine how much we appre- Editor: ciate the series of articles pub-

because their only interest is attention as well as their recep- Now, since I don't agree with

know how to write their names. My dear friends, I have called

Minneapolis

dependent.

phlet just published by the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc. The pamphlet explains why persons working for integration and similar causes refuse to answer ques-The front cover carries a he was questioned in 1958 by "My beliefs and my associ-For this stand, Braden was

> label of "subversive" will be attached to them.

ers in this way, Braden was up-The pamphlet exposes some of holding the First Amendment to the links between the governthe Constitution. Under this ment witch-hunters and racists. basic law of the land he was Richard Arens had to resign under no obligation to reveal. as staff counsel of the Unthe names of others engaged in American Committee when it the struggle for civil rights or was revealed that he was a conto hand over membership lists sultant to Wycliffe Draper, a to a committee intent on houndmultimillionaire racist interest-

ed in "research projects" aimed

Rep. Francis Walter, chairpenses some of the unsavory Draper funds.

The pamphlet is a useful item fore the witch-hunters for in the struggle against racism questioning but who "fall into and political reaction. Those insilence, fail to exercise their terested in the defense of civil costs 10 cents and can be obtain-

are opposed to segregation but Inc., 822 Perdido St., New Or-



drug outfit reduced the price to \$1.19 and in September introduced a palatable liquid form in eight-ounce cans at 40 cents a serving. "There's money in it!" gloated

The Mead Johnson product caught on better than the Slenderella craze. By June the

only eight standard sizes.

line.

They want the same freedom that the rest of the retail industry has to change package sizes "in order to keep their prices within acceptable price brackets." That sounds reasonable.

Tobacco Tax Division of the In- tually illegible.

Consumer Reports indicates how this freedom is used. One irate consumer wrote in telling per ounce) as against the about Lavoris mouthwash. He regular price of 37 cents for used to buy the stuff at 79 cents 19 ounces (1.94 cents per for a 20-ounce bottle. No more. ounce).

contents - 17 ounces!

Cans have become highly now for eight years I could not question of packages and ciety for the Prevention of was 81.17 per cent and in the at top capacity, America has a workers of our nation should be- desire a peaceful world. They flexible. There used to be eight help noticing the shortening of prices. Meanwhile - what did Cruelty to Human Beings to in- country it was 89.67 per cent of or ten standard sizes. Now there the tissue recently. Close meas- I do with that old sliderule I tercede in behalf of Eileen the people. are 38! A Consumer reader pro- urement revealed the tissues are once had?

tested that bottles are limited to example, one brand of "instant" "Two or three dollars inmashed potatoes in the big box vested in a cheap sliderule had 10 per cent less contents pays for itself in a few weeks. than the regular size next to it. It also gives a gratifying Then there is the big specsmug sense of satisfaction in ial. A frustrated customer tells the knowledge that you are how she fell for a specially defeating the amassed forces priced Duncan Hines Cake of evil from Madison Avenue." Mix, three for a dollar, only to find that each box contained 14 ounces (2.36 cents

tested that she used to buy peas now a full 1/4 inch or more

think the food industry should be permitted all this freedom tody of the children. while the liquor industry stays Why not have the Food and survive on city welfare pay- read it are enthusiastic about it. Editor:

All he can find is an 89-cent Nor are paper products pure standard packaging system of even this was cut off several 1960 Bohemia published a nabottle bearing the happy in- as the driven snow. A corres- eight convenient sizes for the months ago and she was advised tionwide poll, and that in the scription "save 15 cents." Its pondent writes "Having used retail trade while a consumers to get rid of the children.

Weiss and her children.

It Was Reported in the Press

Kapitalism — The Ku Klux program, says the term "de- Club are now voting on a pro- ers, held its 1960 stockholders' government. and sells them to members for "The business we are in is cer- oath of future members. "A holder, a nice elderly lady, turn- agree are the monopolists and "The government is spending ing out forcefully in their own \$10, according to a New Orleans tainly not just defense but lovely each to be the business tainly not just defense but lovely each to be the business tainly not just defense but lovely each to be the business tainly not just defense but lovely each to be the business tainly not just defense but lovely and the business tainly not just defense but lovely according to a New Orleans tainly not just defense but lovely and the business tainly not just defense but lovely according to a New Orleans tainly not just defense but lovely according to a New Orleans tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely according to a New Orleans tainly not just defense but lovely according to a New Orleans tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely according to a New Orleans tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely the business tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely the business tainly not just defense but lovely to the business tainly not just defense but lovely tain the business tain the business tain the business \$10, according to a New Orleans tainly not . . . just defense, but loyalty oath to look at trees? ing up. . . ." slu, according to a New Orleans tainly not ... just defense, but hoyary bath to how at trees. Ing appendix to here out to book at trees ing appendix to here out to book at trees ing appendix to here out to here

a genuine facsimile "Confed-erate captain's" uniform. Prof-from a monospace of the second s its on the \$9-million deal would from ambassadors on down come to \$2 million.

bring up to date the list of taken for native American Ne- trars resigned in protest. targets in the Soviet Union se- groes." lected for nuclear bombing.

No Recession Here - New Studies by Harvard and Michi-York City Investigation Com- gan universities disclose that al- small stockholders control big missioner Louis Kaplan has re- though Jews make up about business, the Nov. 15 Railway can industrial corporations.

Martin Company, which coins skiers and nature lovers who years' meeting; McGraw-Edi- fessional journalistic frater- to save Cuba from that "com- It was pleasant and interest- call you a Troskyite. millions on the federal missile make up California's Sierra son Co., with 12,000 stockhold- nity,

Some of Their Best Friends-

Hardship, D.C. - Diplomats Walter Heninger, sponsor of the water, Arizona Republican, says the houses are sold at a reason- still the wealth pours out of the proposition, said that "one and that "where fraternities are not able price. In the country, factories so fast that there is **Independent Hardship, D.C.** — Diplomats **4.** One enterprising segrega-tionist plans to organize 100,000 "defenders" of the South. In return for \$90 they get a "com-mission" entitling them to wear mission" entitling them to wear mis

Searchlight on the South-

have trouble finding decent Jim Crow Down Below — De- Braden, has just been pub-Planning for Peace — Penta- hoods — and even finding em- joining all discrimination in published in Italy and publi- aggression but that does not of its people? gon officials and American bassy sites. . . Africans are voting, Negroes in Terrell cation negotiations are in proccation negotiations are in proc- mean we are communists. Our military commanders from proud of their native costume, County, Ga, were forced to cast ess in France and England. An manys to give to the near what around the world held a con- but they sometimes must wear their ballots this year at a illuminating account of South- means to give to the poor what ference Dec. 2 and 3 at Strate- the brightly colored garb as a "special" booth in the court-gic Air Force Command head- silent defense against the re- house basement. The chairman tells the story of the Louisville food literary and a decent place gic Air Force Command nead- shent declare update if of the county board of regis- "sedition" case in which Anne and Carl Braden and others to live.

> Little Man Who Wasn't There Negro family obtain a home in -Commenting on the myth that a "white" neighborhood.

missioner Louis Kaplan has re- though Jews make up about Clerk reported: "Coca-Cola Co., no time do the American peo- only for the children. New closing our election material. the promises. But they will others the same right?" quested funds to put 25 more eight per cent of the country's with more than 26,000 stock- ple get a clear look-see at the parks are being built like the Our party surely has an as- find that a few of us won't for-people on his staff to cope with college-trained population, less with more than 26,000 stock- ple get a clear look-see at the parks are being built like the Our party surely has an as- find that a few of us won't for-the growing exposure of graft than half of one per cent of dividuals attending its loog tax funds to ascertain whether Bureau of Investigation used to here a short time are and gave some or barriers. the growing exposure of graft than nair of one per cent of and corruption by municipal officials. In the are included among execu-tive personnel in leading Ameri-om Pacific with more than 100 in the form the source of the best talks I have ever one more point of the best talks I have ever one more point. If you dis-best talks I have ever one more point. I have ever one more point. I have ever one more point. ern Pacific, with more than 70,- wisely, wasted or stolen."- best young revolutionaries were heard. He is a powerful speaker agree with a fascist, he will call the people are never asked to Progressive Education – Wil-liam Bergen, president of the Det for the Signa Delta Chi, pro- who now say they are going our ranks.

Clayton, Wisc.

release the children. Press accounts have empha- From Havana sized the fact that Miss Weiss

was not legally married to the Editor: What is fair is fair. I don't children's father who left her I am a Cuban girl who re- USA. when they were infants. The ceived a copy of that magnififather now says he wants cus- cent pamphlet, "The Truth About Cuba," by Joseph Han-

Miss Weiss and the two chil- sen and was deeply impressed tied to only eight standard sizes. dren had somehow managed to by it. All the Cubans who have

Drug Administration set up a ments of about \$35 a week but The pamphlet said that in city the rating of people that Kleenex Tissues exclusively committee goes into the whole Apparently there is no So- support the Castro government

> Today in the city, where the effect and the trusts of the Cuban Telephone Company and Electric Company have been

with the government of Castro. to continue to destroy its The Revolutionary Govern- wealth to keep the profiteers

"The Wall Between," by Anne ment is growing stronger day rich? Or is labor going to take of credit to the comrades in ference table must be substihave trouble finding decent Jim Crow Down Below — De-homes in respectable neighbor-boods — and even finding em-ispite a federal court order en-lished in Poland. It will also be J.B.

St. Paul

food, literacy and a decent place Editor:

were persecuted for helping a Trie counter-revolution in say the government is planning the chile to "collectivize" all the chil- paper, the Militant. Before the make promises to the rest of this great nation into being by dren. That is a big lie. In Cuba election, I wrote a number of the people to get their votes, throwing off the yoke of the Thought for the Week - "At the government lives and thinks friends and acquaintances en- thinking the people will forget British king. Would we deny

munist" Fidel Castro.

A.R.A. Havana

America Is Choking

America is choking on its own abundance. America can produce abundance, but it cannot distribute it at a profit for the tive independent political action. or war. rich. So instead of production policy of artificial scarcity to come more conscious of their hate war. For the plain people, maintain profits.

The government pays farmers collaboration with the agencies and want. Urban Reform has been put into not to produce and pays for sur- of the employing class that explus foods to rot away in high- ploits them in the process of priced private warehouses. The government allows the nationalized, 90 per cent of the steel corporations to operate at they produce. It is very shame- war. people agree with the Castro only 50 per cent of capacity for ful to the working people and

more than six months to create it may be hoped that they will The government is spending ing out forcefully in their own the imperialists and landlords \$40 billion a year to keep our behalf. Joseph Manlet

Cleveland

Editor:

subscription.

vote against the one party with against foreign domination and

production by low wages and

two heads. Enclosed find three one-dollar Democrats serve only a small everywhere to support such a bills to cover my renewal to our minority of the people and war. Our forefathers brought

ing to read all the responses in I don't agree with Dobbs 100

agree that name-calling is out of order. The difference over Hungary is a sharp one, but we are sure that it can be lished in your newspaper. I Many citizens refrained from discussed in a comradely way.

think your paper is the most voting this year. These citizens Have you read Peter Fryer's decent one published in the were dissatisfied with the posi- eyewitness report, "Hungarian tion of both of the dominant Tragedy"? - Editor.] presidential candidates, but ne-

glected to support candidates of Two Kinds of War the minor political parties, such as the Socialist Workers party. Editor: It is regrettable that the many

Today the supreme issue bediscontented voters have not long since expressed their revul- fore the people of the worldsion with the capitalist candi- in the first place, before the dates and their parties by effec- people of the USA - is peace

It is about time that the wage ' The plain people everywhere own interests and refuse any war means misery, degredation

To have a clear position on the burning question of war or peace, it is necessary to underby high prices for the goods stand the two chief types of

> (1) What is an unjust war? (2) What is a just war?

It would be unjust for any country in the world to cross the border of another country with its armed forces to impose its will upon the invaded people.

The invaded country would have every right to use every means at its disposal to hurl back the invader. They would Enclosed is \$3 to renew my also be within their right to exact payment for all damage You should give a great deal done by the invader. The con-

in getting Dobbs and Weiss on of the people of any nation the ballot in the home state of against any tyrannical rulers or Joe McCarthy and thereby giv-against 'an oppressive govern-ing the citizens of Wisconsin a ment. A just war would be a real chance to cast a protest revolt of a colonial people

oppression. It would be just Both the Republicans and and proper for the people

H.S. New York