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WALL STREET THREATENS NEW WAR

\$15,000 'Militant' Fund Campaign Starts Mar. 15

By Evelyn Atwood

Appealing to its scores of thousands of enthusiastic readers to help maintain it as the best and fastest growing labor paper in America, The Militant in this issue announces the launching of its campaign to raise a fund of \$15,000. This fund is to help extend The Militant's circulation and spread its revolutionary socialist message among the workers of the United States.

rade Dobbs said, The Militant has emphasized the critical importance of this history-making struggle, now over 100 days old. The Militant pointed out that the GM workers have been the spearhead of labor's greatest struggle and the target of all the reactionary forces of American capital.

PAPER OF PICKET LINES

"During the recent strike struggles, The Militant was distributed to tens of thousands of workers on the picket lines, where they became acquainted with it for the first time. Thousands have subscribed in order to receive it regularly in their homes. In fact, The Militant has become known as the 'Paper of the Picket Lines.'

Washington Hikes Prices On Food, Clothes, Housing

The Truman administration's claim that it would hold the price line was further exposed as fraudulent last week when huge price concessions were made to clothing manufacturers, big builders and real estate interests.

Generals Purge Army Editors For 'Crime' Of Being In CIO

By Charles Carsten

Two men have been removed from the staff of Stars and Stripes for the "crime" of having belonged to a CIO trade union before induction. This is the brass hat answer to the world-wide demands of GIs for more democracy in the armed forces.

members of the Pacific edition of the Stars and Stripes protested to General MacArthur against the despotism of transferring the men to the "Siberia" of the armed forces.

PROTEST IGNORED

In their letter to MacArthur they labeled the transfers as the "culmination of a long series of attempts by the Army hierarchy to muzzle this paper." The indignant newsmen added, "we regard the transfer to Okinawa as a sort of 'exile to the salt mines.'"

'LOYALTY CHECK'

Col. John F. Davis, General MacArthur's information and education officer, said the order was the result of "a negative report on a loyalty check."

Both of the men have long records of service in combat. Cpl. Rubin, who holds two battle stars, declared: "When I was a machine gunner in Luzon my loyalty was unquestioned."

NMU Head Bares Stalinist Misrule

By Art Sharon

(Special to The Militant)

NEW YORK, Mar. 16—The conflict among the top leaders of the Stalinist-dominated CIO National Maritime Union, first reported in the December 8, 1945, Militant, was brought to a more acute stage when NMU President Joseph Curran demanded the resignation of four top Stalinist officials, Vice-presidents Frederick (Blackie) Meyers and Howard McKenzie, National Secretary Ferdinand Smith and New York Port Agent Joseph Stack.

Curran's demand and his attack on the Stalinist machine for its ruthless, undemocratic practices were made at a closed NMU membership meeting last February 18. His speech was made public by the reactionary New York World-Telegram in a series of three articles last week. The crimes of the Stalinists in this as in other cases have provided the anti-labor press with ammunition to smear the labor movement.

Curran's partial revelations to the membership about the scandalous conduct of the Stalinist clique came in his dissent against the report of an investigating committee, which had a

disclosed that anyone who disagreed with the Stalinist machine's policy was systematically slandered, discredited and handed out of union office.

CHARACTER ASSASSINS

Those who disagreed, said Curran, "found themselves, one by one, picked out; then, character assassinated and, one by one, made to either leave the union or, if they desired to continue the fight and stay in the union to fight for the membership, placed in a position where they were called all kinds of names."

As a result of the Stalinist policy of wartime collaboration with the shipowners, the NMU lost one position after another. Curran revealed, for instance, that the irresponsibility and incompetence of Vice-presidents McKenzie and Meyers cost the union the key collective bargaining election in the Standard Oil tanker fleet "by the biggest majority a company ever got in the history of the union."

KEPT 'FBI' FILES

The Stalinist machine, which was so incapable of protecting the union's positions and de-

Preparing For World War III



Auto Locals Start Drive To Elect Reuther As Next UAW President

By Grace Carlson (Special to The Militant)

DETROIT, Mar. 9—The General Motors strike has been turned into a lockout! A formal charge that the billion dollar GM Corporation is engaged in a lockout to force an ending of the 109-day walk-out was filed here March 7 with the National Labor Relations Board by the CIO United Auto Workers.

The same charge against the GM Corporation was made in a statement issued on the preceding day by UAW officers, R. J. Thomas, President; George Ades, Secretary-Treasurer; and Walter Reuther, Vice-president. An opening gun in the UAW's campaign for a national program of mass pressure against GM, the statement was "an appeal to all organized labor and all American citizens who believe in justice to come quickly and generously to the aid of the GM workers."

The union action followed a rapid series of moves and counter-moves, charges and counter-charges, which marked the 15th week of the GM strike.

GM'S ARROGANT REPLY

On March 3, GM flatly rejected the UAW's offer to arbitrate the remaining issues in dispute. This offer had been authorized by the 250 UAW delegates at the

IN THE NEWS

'Lost'—On Purpose

The U. S. State Department searching files of its Foreign Economic Administration "found" a Soviet government memorandum requesting a billion dollar American loan. For six months, since last August, the Soviet government had inquired why it had received no acknowledgment of the request, while U. S. officials, including Truman, denied an "application" had been made. The State Department explained the document had been "lost."

Release Of 101 Jailed Negroes Won By Protests

Nation-wide protest by labor, Negro and civil rights organizations against the savage Jim-Crow atrocities and bloody warfare unleashed by state troops on February 25 upon the entire segregated Negro section of Columbia, Tennessee have borne fruit. The last 13 of 101 Negroes arrested and held incommunicado, were released March 8 upon payment of \$46,000 bail. The cash was put up in the Sheriff's office by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and by local Negro citizens.

Subversive Word

The House Un-American Activities Committee went into a huddle recently when a Congressman assailed the committee's counsel, Ernie Adamson, for his letter campaign to numerous organizations in which Adamson "insisted that this country was not a democracy but a republic." (United Press, Feb. 13)

Quill Flunks History

The Communist (Stalinist) Party fraction in New York's City Council split on the question of a council resolution congratulating newly-selected Catholic Cardinal Spellman. Cacchione and Davis cast the sole votes against the resolution on the principle of the separation of Church and State. Michael J. Quill, who is also head of the CIO Transport Workers, conceding "I have seldom disagreed with my colleagues, Davis and Cacchione," voted for the resolution. Commented the Stalinist Daily Worker, March 8: "The need for a little digging into American history was very strikingly shown in the City Council's debate."

Steps Up Diplomatic Attacks In Drive Against The USSR

By Joseph Hansen

Wall Street and the British imperialists are beginning public preparations for the Third World War. This is the underlying meaning of the tremendous hue and cry they have raised against the Soviet Union. This war-mongering campaign reached its highest point to date with the March 5 speech of Winston Churchill at Fulton, Missouri.

SWP Protests French Arrests Of Trotskyists

NEW YORK, Mar. 9—The Militant this week received a cable from Paris reporting a police raid on a public meeting of the International Communist Party (Trotskyist) and the wholesale arrest of 32 of the audience who were held incommunicado for 24 hours. The raid occurred March 4.

This police attack on the French Trotskyists follows a systematic Stalinist campaign to suppress the Trotskyist paper La Verite. Distributors of the paper have been beaten up by Stalinist hooligans and arrested.

The Socialist Workers Party of the United States, through James P. Cannon, SWP National Secretary, has called a protest against the victimization of the French Trotskyists to French Minister of Interior Letroquer. The cable calls the raid and arrests an "outrageous violation of democratic rights of assembly."

"United States labor public opinion will be aroused against these anti-democratic actions. We demand immediate unconditional release of all arrested and an end to interference with PCI (International Communist Party) meetings and publications. Please inform us of the action of your government on this protest."

Churchill savagely attacked the Soviet Union and Communism. He denounced the USSR as a threat to world peace and he called for immediate military measures along the following lines:

- (1.) Washington and London to monopolize the atomic bomb. (2.) "National armaments" to be maintained at full wartime strength. (3.) An Anglo-American military alliance to include standardization of weapons, military training, and joint use of naval and air bases throughout the world.

UNITE AGAINST USSR

These war-like proposals came from the principal political representative of the reactionary British Tories. The choice of Churchill as spokesman was a deliberate device to indicate the class solidarity of the British capitalists with Wall Street's drive against the Soviet Union.

Churchill became the symbol of world imperialism's antagonism against socialism following the First World War. Churchill was the guiding spirit in the intervention of 14 capitalist nations against the Soviet Union after the Bolshevik revolution. His venomous hatred of Leon Trotsky for successfully organizing the Red Army defense of the workers' state has long been notorious.

President Truman made a comment (Continued on Page 7)

CIO RUBBER WORKERS WIN OUTSTANDING VICTORY

By Joseph Andrews (Special to The Militant)

AKRON, O., Mar. 8—The CIO United Rubber Workers of America are celebrating a clean-cut victory over the "Big Four" rubber corporations which provides for an 18 1/2-cent hourly wage increase with absolutely no strings attached.

With a nation-wide strike vote behind them and thorough preparations made in all locals for a coast-to-coast strike, the URWA negotiating committee brought the representatives of Goodyear, Firestone, Goodrich and U. S. Rubber Corporations to heel two days before the March 4 strike deadline. The settlement is an historic step in several ways:

- 1. This marks the first achievement of nation-wide bargaining with the "Big Four" collectively. The agreement provides for continued negotiations on a "Big Four" basis next year. NO 'COMPANY SECURITY' 2. Unlike the settlements at Ford, Chrysler and Kaiser-Frazier, etc., there are no "company security" or punitive anti-strike provisions whatsoever in the agreement. 3. The agreement provides protection of the wage increase against inflation by a clause which specifically permits reopening of the wage question at any time should economic conditions warrant. 4. There was no governmental participation or interference in the negotiations. 5. Twelve cents per hour of the general wage increase was made retroactive to November 1, 1945, thereby giving each worker between \$75 and \$100 back pay. This averages four cents on the hour over a year's time. 6. Sixable adjustments for low-paid workers were provided to reduce inequities. Unlike the Steel settlement, these adjustments do not come out of the

general wage increase but are added to it.

7. Double time for Sundays and six designated holidays was won.

In total, the wage gains, including adjustments and retroactive pay, amount to an average of over 24 cents an hour for the rubber workers covered in the "Big Four" agreement.

MODEL NEGOTIATIONS

The negotiations were a model which all international unions would do well to follow. The negotiating committee was made up of international officers of the union plus a strategy committee composed of representatives of the local unions. Representing the unions were L. S. Buckmaster, International president; H. R. Lloyd, International vice-president; George R. Bass, president of Akron Goodrich Local No. 5; I. H. Watson, president of Akron Firestone Local No. 7; C. V. Wheeler, president of Akron Goodyear Local No. 2; (Continued on Page 2)

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French Arms Move Against Indo-China

The landing of 20,000 troops of the French imperialist army at Hanoi has again brought into headline prominence the heroic struggle of the Indo-Chinese people for independence. The purpose of these troops is deadly clear. The French colonial despots hope they will prove sufficient —with their American-supplied equipment—to drown in blood the aspirations of the Indo-Chinese for freedom.

Whether the French will succeed in reimposing their hated regime on Indo-China thus remains to be seen. In a recent series of articles, Gordon Walker, Chief Far Eastern Correspondent of the Christian Science Monitor, declared that "From a purely military standpoint it is questionable whether the French ever will be able to assume unopposed control again." Even with tanks and artillery "it is extremely doubtful whether they ever will be able to put down the independence movement as a whole."

The landing followed a March 1 agreement between the French imperialists and the Chiang Kai-shek government to withdraw 100,000 Chinese troops who have been occupying northern Indo-China. So long as these Chinese armies remained, the Viet Nam government administered the affairs of this important part of the country.

Walker reported that the Viet Minh (the principal political grouping in Indo-China) is backed by 8,000,000 followers and has a well-organized army of 50,000 troops who seized the arms of the Japanese. In his opinion the French at best could only seize the coastal cities and hold them for a few years.

FALSE PROMISES

The French are obviously following the traditional stratagem of colonial despots faced by an uprising. They are willing to promise a great deal—with loopholes in order to facilitate the advance of their troops. Deception has always gone hand in hand with brute force. That is why "according to informed opinions in Paris," reports a March 8 wireless dispatch to the N. Y. Times, "little tranquillity could be expected in spite of ac-

commodations. The tranquility mentioned in Franco's communiques does not exist," continues the declaration. "Still less the democracy of which he boasts. The reality is the opposite. The firing squads operate ceaselessly to maintain the new regime. Frame-up trials eliminate the flower of the producing class. The misery is fearful. Unemployment has mounted to hitherto unknown proportions. The industrial paralysis is almost total. Agricultural production suffers from an uninterrupted decline due to the pillage practiced by the plutocrats. The life of thousands of men is in danger."

CHARMING INDIA-BRITISH STYLE

The February 22 London Herald Tribune reports that General Lockhart was "ordered to quell the Indian Navy Mutiny" in Bombay "as rapidly as possible."

The Joint Committee of the Union General de Trabadajores and the Confederacion Nacional del Trabajo (pre-Franco Spanish trade union federations now in exile) have issued an appeal from Paris to the workers of other lands to help the Spanish working class get rid of the fascist Franco regime.

How Imperialist Rulers Process News Reports

How British imperialism censors and perverts news from colonial lands where the people are struggling for independence can be judged from two items:

The Spanish dictator, declares the appeal, "spiritual offspring of Hitler and Mussolini, continues his ruthless attack on the workers. The prisons and concentration camps are filled with our brothers. The inhuman treatment of the prisoners is as barbarous as that of the Nazi extermination camps . . ."

NEWARK Ferguson Case Protest Meeting

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 3 P. M.
Speakers:
LOU HOROWITZ, Area Director, National CIO Community Services Committee
REV. H. B. JACKSON, 13th Ave., Presbyterian Church
ALAN KOHLMAN, Newark Organizer, SWP
FRED MARTIN, Editor, New Jersey Herald News
TROY JONES, Treas., Local 2044, United Steel Workers CIO
Chairman: LOUISE SIMPSON
Trotskyst Candidate, 1945
N. Y. Councilmanic Elections
13th AVE. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
13th Ave. and Boston St. Admission Free
Auspices: Socialist Workers Party

Mexican Stalinist Demands End To CP Bribe Taking

The Mexico City daily paper Excelsior of February 4 printed a document of the Communist (Stalinist) Party which calls for a shift to the left. The author, Carlos Sanchez Cardenas, demanded the following prerequisite:

"I believe that the Party which we have at present will not succeed in developing within the labor movement so long as it does not apply a correct independent policy as the only existing party of the proletariat."
"For this, it is necessary to reject the 2,500 pesos (about \$500) which the President of Mexico gives us each month, the subsidies from the Jews in the National Bank and the subsidies from other politicians who help us . . ."

Indian Independence Revolt Spreads Despite Gun Fire Of British Rulers

Spanish Unions Ask Help To End Franco Regime

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Heroic Fighters Against British Imperialism



Indian seamen who mutinied against the Royal Indian Navy because of long years of discrimination and exploitation by their British rulers drive through the streets of Bombay at the height of the recent anti-British demonstrations. Civilians joined the seamen in denouncing their oppressors. The imperialist armed forces retaliated by killing 228.

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The Joint Committee asks the workers of the world to "employ all means in their power to build up sufficient pressure to precipitate the collapse of the Spanish dictatorship." The appeal cites the example of the Tunis longshoremen, who refused to load cargo routed for fascist Spain.

British Censors Relax, OK Letter After 3 Years

In 1942 a group of Indian workers in England sent a letter to Pioneer Publishers in the United States asking for some books.

The letter reads: "Dear Sirs: For the benefit of the Indian workers, numbering a few thousands, who are for the first time brought into industry, we are attempting to build a library. It will be used for training and translation into Hindustani and other important Indian languages. Will you please send us all your past publications and any bound volumes which will be of use. Thanking you."
"POST EARLY"

The letter was air-mailed. Its postmark reads: "Birmingham, December 17, 1942, 2 p.m." It went through the Christmas season mail hopper and was marked: "Post Early for Christmas."

But the hawk-eyed British censors caught this dangerous little letter in time and the bureaucrats acted promptly. A streamer pasted over the censor's opening declaims: "OPENED BY EXAMINER 824". Next, in red, on both sides, the word "CONDEMNED" was imprinted.

Fighters For Free Egypt Cry 'Down With England'

Twenty Egyptians were killed and 351 injured during two days of anti-British demonstrations in Alexandria. Crowds, shouting "Down with Bevin!" and "Down with England!" continued into the second day the strikes and parades begun March 4 to mourn the martyrs murdered by the British troops on February 21.

A nation-wide general strike called by the National Council of Students and Workers paralyzed all Egypt on March 4. In Alexandria people began gathering in the streets. Police tried to disperse them with clubs. As one gathering was broken up another formed in a nearby street.

HOTEL BURNS
In mid-morning a huge crowd gathered in Said I Street, near the Atlantic Hotel which is occupied by British officers and troops. Some of the demonstrators attempted to seize the flag hoisted at the hotel. Policemen brutally clubbed the crowd in futile attempts to disperse it. Then they opened fire on the unarmed demonstrators. The crowd began to retreat.

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removing the men. However, dissatisfaction among the ranks apparently forced him to take more moderate action. The men were transferred to Yokohama instead of Okinawa for reassignment to "non-sensitive duty."

Col. E. J. Dwan, MacArthur's inspector general, investigated the charges and in support of his chief's high-handed ruling stated: "It is evidenced that each has held membership in the nation-wide Communist party and has at times flavored his public writings with Communistic thought."

Col. Dwan asserted that neither of the men should have been assigned "sensitive" duty at any time in the Army. He revealed that last January the War Department ordered a "loyalty check" of all personnel in the information and education section which controls Stars and Stripes. The order was obviously issued during the time of the world-wide GI protests against the slowdown in demobilization.

SEVEN RESIGN
On the heels of General MacArthur's dictatorial action, seven members of the editorial staff on the Pacific edition of the Stars and Stripes asked to be transferred off the paper.
Sgt. Henry L. Moore, one of the seven, in requesting transfer wrote the officer in charge stating that after two years "of the most undemocratic, inconsistent treatment to which a man can be subjected," his transfer would serve "the interests of the peo-

India's battle for independence from imperialist Britain is widening. In the past week a whole series of fresh demonstrations swept the seething sub-continent. And as the British despots frantically rushed troops from one outbreak to another, American soldiers held in India found themselves being moved step by step in a most ominous fashion deeper into the revolutionary vortex.

In the greatest demonstration New Delhi, India's capital, has seen since 1942, 20,000 Indians thronged through the streets, protesting the Government-sponsored "victory week" celebration over the results of World War II. United States troops were ordered to join the hated British in the parade. As a result, a jeep was halted and an American officer manhandled. Another soldier was fired.

Police fired into the dense crowd, killing at least five and wounding 13. On the following day, March 8, the British moved "strong" reinforcements into the tense city.

AMERICAN TROOPS
Calling attention to the 18 casualties among American GIs during the recent demonstrations in Calcutta, the India League of America wrote to Secretary of War Patterson on January 7 asking the War Department's intentions. "We understand that in anticipation of . . . trouble, the American soldiers stationed in Assam . . . have been given rifles and rounds of live ammunition for drill and target practice. We also understand that there are between 60 to 80,000 American soldiers still in India."

In reply the War Department admitted that at least 55,000 troops were still in India on January 1. GIs in India shortly thereafter joined the world-wide demonstrations to speed up demobilization and get back home.

The long-predicted famine has now begun. The Government of India officially confirmed this fact March 3 when police fired on a crowd of starving people seeking food at a rationing office in Southern India. "Famine faces 100,000,000," declared the conservative Foreign Policy Bulletin February 27.
The terrible misery wracking the Indian people under British rule is forcing them onto the path of revolution. In Bombay Province 45,000 primary school teachers are out on strike. They demand a wage increase from the present 15 to 20 rupees a month to 30 rupees (\$10).

STRIKES SOLID
In Jubbulpore big strikes remain solid. The British generals are considering "courts martial to discourage other strikes," reports the press. Jubbulpore strike leaders have been arrested. At Ranchi 15 demonstrators were killed March 5. On the same day one person was reported slain when police fired on a crowd of 4,000 gathered at a food supply center in Cheyyar. In Dacca three movie houses were raided by demonstrators protesting against a sales tax imposed by the British. Four were killed in Madras on March 7 when a crowd sought food.

The burning hatred of the people for British rule is indicated by the fact that crowds as huge as 200,000 flock to hear orators demand freedom for India.

Prices Hiked On Food, Clothing And Housing

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expected go-ahead signal to boost their prices.
Simultaneously with this cracking of the price ceilings in food and clothing, an all-out drive was initiated by the big real estate interests to break the ceilings on housing. Through their powerful lobbies in Washington, these real estate interests have already pressured the Big-Business dominated Congress into yielding to their demands.
KILL HOUSING SUBSIDY
Last week a coalition of Republicans and Democrats in the House combined to kill the provision in a Federal housing bill which would grant \$600,000,000 subsidy to hold down price increases on low cost homes. This subsidy, intended to promote the rapid building of 2,700,000 new homes by the end of 1947, would benefit homeless veterans and their families as well as the subsidized manufacturers.
By this action the House left the door open to unlimited price increases on building materials by the monopolist construction interests. The House also voted down a proposal to impose price ceilings on sales of existing homes and building lots. This paves the way for ever higher rentals on existing houses and means that workers and veterans will be forced to pay im-

PHILADELPHIA MASS MEETING

Protest The Murder Of The Ferguson Brothers!
Stop the spread of Jim-Crow lynch law!
FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 8 p.m.
Speakers:
JAMES JONES, CIO Anti-Discrimination Committee
ROSE F. CAREY, Member ILGWU-AFL Joint Board
CLARENCE JACKSON, Jr., Public Relations Rep., Philadelphia Tribune
WILLIAM S. FARRELL, Militant Reporter on Ferguson Case.
Chairman: MAX GELDMAN, SWP Organizer
MILITANT LABOR FORUM
1303-05 W. Girard Ave. Near Broad St. Subway
Auspices: Militant Labor Forum and Socialist Workers Party

"Independence" Day

Koreans in New York City commemorating the 27th anniversary of the Korean "Declaration of Independence" in 1919, received the following keynote message from Col. Ben C. Limb, Chairman of the Korean Commission in Washington: "(This Anniversary) is another milestone of sorrow instead of what it should be, a day of joy, for Korea is neither free nor independent. It is an occupied country, half under Russian rule, half under American supervision."

Only 'Militant' Warned "There Is No Peace!"

When the news first broke on August 12 that Japan was surrendering, all the spokesmen and supporters of Wall Street staged wild celebrations over their victory.

But The Militant did not participate in Wall Street's orgy. Instead The Militant devoted its entire front page to one single article on a single theme: "There Is No Peace!"

When The Militant appeared on the newsstands, it created a sensation. What's the matter with those people thought many readers of the lying capitalist press.

The Militant, however, was simply continuing the policy it has followed from the beginning—to tell the truth no matter what the consequences.

Long before the Second World War began, The Militant warned it would be an imperialist war that could not possibly bring lasting peace.

There is no peace! In the light of Marxist analysis, The Militant soberly assessed the world situation of capitalism on the surrender of Japan.

Lenin, Trotsky Always Warned Capitalist System Breeds War The great Marxist leaders have warned the working class many times that capitalism in its decline inevitably plunges from one devastating imperialist war to another.

Trotsky's Warning Trotsky furthermore warned that if socialism is not established in the meantime: "The third imperialist war would be waged not by national states and not by empires of the old type but by whole continents..."

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from the hands of the blood-drenched capitalist criminals and take their destiny in their own hands. The fight for socialism is now more than a fight to end poverty and inequality, to abolish the exploitation of man by man.

SWP Opposes Election Bill In New Jersey

SPECIAL TO THE MILITANT NEWARK, N. J., Mar. 5—The Socialist Workers Party (Trotskyist) here today urged defeat of the Stanger election bill which would require independent candidates for the New Jersey general election in November to file nominating petitions no later than the March 20 deadline for the primaries.

Through its Newark Organizer, Alan Kohlman, the SWP declared: "This bill, which is now pending before the State Legislature after having been secretly introduced through suspension of the rules, would give independent candidates only two weeks to draft, print and collect signatures for their nominating petitions."

"It would thus operate exclusively in the interests of the Republican and Democratic party machines, especially at this time, to block the unions and working class organizations from running independent labor candidates on platforms in the interests of all Jersey working people."

"At this time the paramount need of the labor movement, to back up their economic strike action, is an independent labor party based on the trade unions. This undemocratic and restrictive bill of the boss parties indicates their desperate fear of independent labor candidates who would challenge the reactionary Republican state administration and the equally reactionary Democratic Hague machine."

Truman's stamp of approval on Churchill's speech is analogous to the "made in the United States" label on the tanks and airplanes used by British, Dutch and French imperialist troops against the colonial peoples in the Far East.

The whole anti-Soviet campaign is obviously a calculated one. Churchill's war-mongering speech merely climaxes a whole series of incidents. The spy-cases manufactured in Canada, the Vandenberg and Byrnes speeches against the Soviet Union (reported in last week's Militant) were part of the plan. To this can be added the ferocious press campaign

BROOKLYN Frolic Saturday, March 16 Entertainment... Dancing Refreshments Socialist Workers Party 635-Fulton-St. 8:30 p.m.

We Alone Told The Truth! THE MILITANT PUBLISHED IN THE INTERESTS OF THE WORKING PEOPLE

THERE IS NO PEACE! Only World Socialism Can Save Mankind From Atomic Destruction In Another Imperialist War Workers Of America! You Must Take Power Into Your Own Hands!

MANIFESTO of the National Committee of the Socialist Workers Party WORKERS, FARMERS—TOILERS OF AMERICA!

The second imperialist world war has ended. Six years of wholesale slaughter and devastation have brought to an awful climax with the discovery of the atomic bomb and its use, with frightful effect, against the people of Japan.



Revolution and Anxiety The atomic bombing of the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki with a combined population of 60,000 men, women and children, has sent a wave of revolution and anxiety throughout the world, especially among the populations who are the principal victims of war.

This is a reproduction of the famous front page headlines and cartoons published by The Militant when Japan surrendered. While Wall Street celebrated, The Militant told the workers the truth, that

the only real victors in the Second World War were the imperialists. Wall Street's demonstrative preparations today for another war prove the correctness of The Militant's warning.

against the Soviet Union, the preparations for the colossal expensive atom bomb tests in the Pacific, the war "games" in the Arctic in the direction of the USSR, and so on.

Wall Street Steps Up Anti-Soviet Drive, Threatens New World War

(Continued from Page 1) spicuous effort to demonstrate his agreement with Churchill's call for military measures against the Soviet Union.

TRUMAN APPROVES Truman's stamp of approval on Churchill's speech is analogous to the "made in the United States" label on the tanks and airplanes used by British, Dutch and French imperialist troops against the colonial peoples in the Far East.

How Stalinism Has Betrayed The Struggle For Socialism The Stalinists long ago gave up the struggle for world socialism. In place of fighting for socialism or the interests of the workers, all the Communist (Stalinist) parties in countries outside the USSR have become slavish instruments in furthering the current foreign policy of the Kremlin bureaucrats.

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their agents told the masses the Second World War would bring peace to mankind. Now to get ready for another slaughter, they must begin to place the blame for the war they plan on the prospective foe, to picture that foe as an "aggressor," etc.

Thus within a short six months after V-J Day, the profiteers are laying their calculations for another world-wide slaughter. All the promises about winning "Four Freedoms," securing democracy, establishing lasting peace, are revealed as deliberate lies designed for no other purpose but to delude the masses into fighting and dying for capitalism in the Second World War.

So, in 1941, they again jumped on the bandwagon of Anglo-American imperialism. To prove to his capitalist allies how thoroughly he had given up any thought of fighting for socialism, Stalin dissolved the Third International which had been organized originally by Lenin and Trotsky to further world socialism.

None of these promises have been fulfilled. Even before any peace treaties of the Second World War have been signed, the Soviet Union is the object of a ferocious diplomatic and propaganda assault from Anglo-American imperialism.

STRENGTHEN FASCISM This perfidious policy paid off with an enormous strengthening of world fascism and helped pave the way for World War II. Then, on the eve of the war in August 1939, Stalin made a pact with

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The NEGRO STRUGGLE by CHARLES JACKSON

Terror In Tennessee

As more and more facts are brought to light concerning the bloody terror in Columbia, Tenn., it becomes plain that this anti-Negro pogrom was deliberately instigated by fascist-minded whites.

Over a month ago Mrs. Gladys Stevenson, 37, had placed her radio in the Castner-Knott Electrical Shop in downtown Columbia for minor repairs. She had been unable to regain the set, however, because the proprietors had insisted on doing additional work to it.

The Negro veteran (object of super-prejudice by the southern whites at present) left the second floor of the store with his mother. They were followed by the two radio men. On reaching the street, one of the men, William Fleming, 28, struck the Stevenson boy, who thereupon simply returned a better blow which knocked Fleming through his own store window.

Other men from the store and across the street then proceeded to beat up Stevenson. Police were called. They joined the others in beating the veteran and in addition they also beat and kicked his mother. Both Negroes but none of the white attackers were carried to jail.

According to the Pittsburgh Courier of March 9, an NAACP investigation reveals that a mob formed to go into the Negro section of town and lynch Mrs. Stevenson and her son. The four local police, however, evidently itching for that special privilege, dispersed the crowd and then themselves proceeded into "Mink Slide," the Negro ghetto.

They obviously entered with all the belligerent arrogance that a couple of '38's would give to cowardly bigots.

The Negro citizens, remembering the atrocious lynching in Columbia 15 years ago and the near lynching last year, had been forewarned. They fired on the invading cops with shotguns and drove them, injured, from the area. This was the tip-off for carrying out the Anti-Negro pogrom in full force.

Over a hundred were thrown into jail. Then, not content that the pogrom was adequate, the police proceeded to shoot to death two innocent Negroes in the cells of the jail. Of course the Jim Crow assassins came up with the cover that the dead colored boys had been "trying to obtain some of the confiscated pistols". This lie was even more corny than the usual "shot while attempting to escape."

At the present time feeling still runs high. There is no guarantee that there will not be more terrorized, clubbed and murdered victims of the Tennessee Storm Troopers.

Contributions should be sent to the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, Inc., 20 W. 40th St., New York 18, N. Y.

Socialist Workers Party Branch Activities

AKRON - Visit The Militant Club, 405-6 Everett Bldg., 39 East Market St., open daily except Sunday, 2 to 4 p. m.; also Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 7:30 to 9:30.

LOS ANGELES - Visit SWP headquarters, 145 S. Broadway, San Pedro, 1008 S. Pacific, Room 214.

MILWAUKEE - Visit the Milwaukee branch of the SWP at its headquarters, 424 E. Wells St., any evening from 7:30.

MINNEAPOLIS - Visit the Labor Book Store, 10 South 4th St., open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Forum every Sunday, 3:30.

& Beatty St., E. Liberty. Open Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 6:30 to 9:30. Sundays at 7:30: Round Table Discussion on "News of the Week in The Militant."

PORTLAND, Ore. - Visit the SWP headquarters, 134 E. W. Washington, 3rd Floor. Tel. ATwater 3992. Open 1 to 4 p.m., daily except Sunday, and 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday and Friday.

SAN FRANCISCO - Visit the San Francisco School of Social Science, 305 Grant Ave., corner of Grant and Sutter, 4th floor; open from 12 noon to 3 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday.

SEATTLE - Visit our Headquarters, 1919 1/2 Second Ave. Meetings 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, I.O.O.F. Hall, 410 Eleventh St. Mar. 27, "The New Wave of Race Hate and How to Fight It."

Diary Of A Steelworker By T. Kovalesky

We were sitting on a bench in the locker room swapping stories about the strike, when Larry McGinnis walked up to us. "Why the hell don't you guys quit shooting the bull and get out there and earn your dough?" he asked grinning. "The strike's over now."

Notes Of A Seaman By Art Sharon

It seems just too much of a coincidence that every time the union longshoremen begin to put on the heat for a little more wages the ship operators shortly after start a hue and a cry over the great losses they sustain through "pilferage."

Workers Quit Stalinists By Paul Abbott

Support of Wall Street during the Second Imperialist World War has resulted not only in a tremendous drop in the membership and influence of the American Communist (Stalinist) Party, but also in a major shift in its class composition. Workers no longer constitute the bulk of the party. They have been replaced by petty bourgeois elements.

Strike Threat Ends Meat Barons' Chiseling By Leigh Ray

CHICAGO, Mar. 6 — Swift & Company, largest of the five meat packing plants involved in the recent national strike, failed this week in its attempt to weaken the union by chiseling on the wage gains wrested from the corporation.

ment to protect the rich man's wealth from the poor man. Then I got to thinking—just what is a cop? He's not a rich man. He's just a guy making a living like a working man. If he loses his job he'll go hungry. But, on the other hand, cops are generally the enemies of the working man.

Los Angeles SWP Aids Campaign For State FEPC By J. Blake

LOS ANGELES, March 1 — Following the lynching of fair employment practices bills by Democrats and Republicans in the recently concluded special session of the California state legislature, a broad movement has developed to place such a measure on the ballot in the November election.

NEW YORK Local Of SWP Holds Inspiring Two-Day Convention

NEW YORK, March 3 — The Sixth Convention of the New York Local of the Socialist Workers Party, attended by 62 delegates from five New York branches, opened yesterday afternoon at 116 University Place and concluded at midnight tonight in an inspiring demonstration of party growth, strength and solidarity.

Maritime Union Head Bares Stalinist Machine Misrule

NEW YORK, Mar. 7 — Eight workers, including women, distributing The Militant this afternoon at a Union Square open-air rally of the Communist (Stalinist) Party were attacked by an organized Stalinist goon squad, but succeeded in distributing several hundred papers.

Telephone Workers Force AT&T To Yield; Western Electric Strike Ends In Victory

For Freedom From Police Clubs! By Alan Kohlman (Special to The Militant)



"Freedom From Police Clubs" is one of the demands made by these striking veterans as they march on the Philadelphia City Hall after police brutally assaulted CIO Electrical Workers picket lines. Demonstrating on March 3, these veterans demanded that Mayor Bernard Samuel aid their fight for unemployment compensation while on strike, decent homes to live in and adequate educational and hospital facilities.

KEARNY, N. J., Mar. 9 — With pickets poised for action in 33 states, the National Federation of Telephone Workers at Thursday dawn forced a major union victory exactly two minutes before the scheduled deadline of a threatened nationwide communications strike.

BACK WEEA FIGHT

In settling the demands of the Bell phone workers, the NFTW did not forget the bitter nine-week strike of the Western Electric Employees Association here and in 20 other North Jersey and New York plants of Western Electric. The NFTW leadership made it clear that final calling off of the national phone strike was contingent on a satisfactory settlement of WEEA demands for the 17,400 Western Electric workers who had battled courageously on the picket lines since January 3.

Truman Pulls Double-Cross On 300,000 Steel Strikers

President Truman last week fortified the resistance of several hundred steel-fabricating mill owners refusing to end the still-continuing strike of nearly 300,000 CIO steel workers.

Stalinist Goons Attack 'Militant' Distributors

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TRUMAN'S DOUBLE-CROSS

Prior to Truman's original statement, on March 5, excluding the fabricators from the steel wage recommendations of the government, said Murray, the union had reached agreement with 272 fabricating companies and was settling strikes at the rate of 35 a day.

OVER BOSS PARTIES

Unable to find reliable "friends" in the Democratic and Republican parties to pass a law that would interfere with the policy of employers to discriminate against workers because of race, creed, or color, they are attempting to go over the heads of the capitalist politicians by taking the matter directly to the voters by placing it on the ballot.

NEW YORK Youth Rally Against Lynch Law Protest The Murder Of The Ferguson Brothers! FRIDAY, MAR. 15 HARLEM SWP 103 W. 110 St. Room 23