Talk about repealing parts of the McCarran-Kilgore police state law grew louder in capitalist political circles last week. There were two main reasons:

1. Important sections of the capitalist class are dissatisfied with the law in its present form. call for "loyal obedience" of the (See quotations from the daily law, they betray and besmirch the press on Page 3.)

2. The more far-sighted politi- country. cians know that when the American people discover the real con- "loyally obey" King George's tents of this law there will be a repressive laws; if they had, those mass uproar, and they want to laws might still be in effect, and be sure that the protest will be the United States might never confined within "safe" channels. have been born.

The desire of the liberal Democrats to make political capital of "ioyally obey" the Alien and Sedipresent and future indignation tion Acts which tried to outlaw against the law and yet to make freedom of speech; on the consure that the coming protest trary, they exercised their freemovement does not "go too far" dom of speech, and resisted the was exhibited on Oct. 1 in a law, and that is why the law was statement issued by the ten U. S. ended. Senators who had voted to sustain Truman's veto.

Congress reconvenes in the calmer | "loyally obey" the Fugitive Slave post-election atmosphere, it may Act of 1850; if they had, perhaps repeal or drastically modify this unwise law and enact a positive, effective security program," the

become law, we are confident that the measure. For it was passed by Congress under democratic procedures and represented the

They also strongly cautioned Kilgore law is "the worst law in | ClO Council for spreading "false "loyal and liberal-minded Ameri- the nation's history." cans" not to help the "Communists" in their "hypocritical attacks" on the law but to "develop their own methods and use existing non-Communist and anti-Communist organizations" to urge the repeal of the law.

But it is much more necessary to strongly caution the American people who want to repeal the law their fellow politicians in both capitalist parties. Support of their policies will never lead to the restoration of the Bill of Rights.

In the first place, when they talk about enacting "a positive, effective security program" what they mean is the Kilgore concentration camp section of the bill, which each and every one of these ten Senators voted for.

In the second place, when they real democratic tradition of this

The American colonists did not

The American people did not

The Negro slaves, the Abolitionists and the militant members of Voicing the "hope that when the new Republican Party did not

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Workers of the World, Unite!

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Sat., Oct. 7, 11:45 P.M. Michael Bartell on: Police-State Law"

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propaganda" about Addonizio.

Under a September date the

Council sent out a letter to all

CIO members in the 11th District

asking for Addonizio's re-election

"because of his perfect voting re-

cord in the 81st Congress and be-

cause of his liberal platform."

The falsity of this claim can

Murray denounced this bill, which Addonizio helped to pass, as "a

of a month for a police-state bill

Rankin and McCarthy who also

SWP on the Air in New York U.N. Gives Free Hand To MacArthur in Korea



"Nevertheless, now that it has N.J. Afro Quotes Bohannan's in the best democratic tradition, all Americans will loyally obey Denunciation of Worst Law'

NEWARK, Oct. 1 — The New Jersey Afro-American judgment of the overwhelming yesterday quoted William E. Bohannan, Socialist Workers majority of the members of both Party candidate for Congress from the 11th District, as saying that the new McCarran-3-

declared.

The paper reported that Bohannan had singled out his Democratic opponent, Rep. Hugh J. Addonizio, as one of the "fake tion of this Nazi-like law. It also quoted him as saying:

"Under this law, any organization, including the NAACP, could be designated as a communistliance on these ten Senators and front organization, prosecuted and severely hounded in its work merely because FEPC, which it is fighting for, happens to be supported by the Communist Party

> "This law gives the racists and Dixiecrats a terrible weapon for persecuting all who fight for

Bohannan has also sharply criticized the Essex - West Hudson

be "proved out of the mouth of the CIO itself," Bohannan On Aug. 29, before the CIO etter was written, Bohannan continued, Addonizio voted for the police-state bill in its original (House) form, although the CIO Sept. 20 Addonizio voted for the bill again, with the CIO still opposed. And on Sept. 22 Ad-

he paid the cops more than a amply supplemented from the admitted \$20 million annual take million bucks, the reaction of generous contributions of flourishmany average citizens was: "Is ing and protected crime and vice.

This was more than an expression of cynicism toward a that threatens our traditional liberties? If that is liberal, then

at the revelations about the Democratic candidates are trying police-gangster tie-up, it was at to piously outshout the Repubthe fact that a Brooklyn district licans about the need for a "full attorney - and a Democrat at airing" of the facts. this district who is pledged to that - dared to tip the lid on

tarian regime refuses to do so,

small loan of \$25,000,000 has been

"Your voice could help break

Yugoslavia into submitting to

Washington's imperialist de-

and warehouses.

whose campaign funds are so

And no one expects that the

This lucrative source of revenue greases the party machines local ington that the present danger and nationally. It is one of the expected perquisites of political power under capitalism.

Dewey's and Hanley's political coffers are swelled by the racketeers' pay-offs in Republican seats of power like Long Island and Saratoga just as Lehman's and Lynch's campaign expenses derive in no small measure from the "protection" money paid by New York bookies, numbers racketeers, dope and prostitution

The Republican machines in Philadelphia, Detroit or California are no less notorious for their profitable protection of thriving ackets than the Democratic machines in New York City, Chicago or Kansas City.

THEY NEED EACH OTHER

Without bought - and - paid - for police protection the racketeers could not thrive; without support by the public officials and party machines, the police who reach for greasy money would never hold their jobs in the first

Truman was boosted on his way to the White House by the Pendergast mob in Missouri. He would be a unique capitalist politician in America today if he had not received aid, direct or indirect. from organized crime. Its money helped finance him to office, even if it found its way to him through free democratic discussion would the "legitimate" channels of the party machine.

Capitalist politics is dirty politics. Why, then, should it be squeamish about dirty money?

Food prices have shot up almost 20% since the beginning of the Korean war, according to Drew Pearson. Among the examples he cites are: Butter up 16%; bakery products between 8 and 10%; milk 18%; round steak 33%; pork chops 10%; eggs 32%; coffee 13%. Other price rises he lists are medicine up from 25 to 50%; shoes 15%; wholesale lumber

Plans to "Pacity" Koreans In Typical Imperialist Style

By Joseph Hansen

SWP Candidate for U.S. Senator from New York The Korean people reeled from staggering blows last

week in their struggle for independence. The world's mightiest military power, equipped with every fiendish instrument of destruction, poured 9 sufficient troops against the North climax to Moscow's cynical ex-Korean forces to break through to plottation of the freedom-struggle

border of Manchuria. toward the armed forces of the USSR and China visibly heightened world tension.

approval on invasion of the penin-

Insistence by government circles that preparations for another world war must be maintained at their new accelerated pace despite victories or the failure of Chinese or Russian troops to move forward was not calculated to inspire any hope that peace might come from the smoking ruins of Korea.

Thus Truman's "police action," indertaken with the solemn promise it would halt when the North Koreans were pushed out of South Korea, has once again confirmed the charge that this is a war of brazen colonial conquest.

FOR HOW LONG

The new promise is that American troops will be kept in Korea only as long as "necessary." This can be judged in the light of the promise in World War II that American troops invading the Danish possession of Greenland "Liberated" Seoul 'the present danger." The Danes have repeatedly reminded Washfrom Germany is now over, but American forces still occupy

Greenland. The aim clearly is to convert Korea into a beach head from which in time an invasion can be mounted into the Asiatic contiment in accordance with Wall Street's grandiose schemes of world conquest. This was the oute followed by imperial Japan when it set out to conquer empire. Japan took from 1894 to 1910 to w.n a base in Korea, guarantee its independence, convert it into a

Washington, likewise underwriting Korea's independence, now hopes in a few months to crush all sparks of resistance, something the Mikado could not eccomplish in a half century.

protectorate and then formally

The "pacification" in store in the areas occupied by MacArthur will go down among the most frightful ever witnessed. Already hints appear in the press of the work of Syngman Rhee's firing squads. It was ever thus. When the majority of an insurgent population is put down by force, the rivers flow red.

THE UN DEBATE

Against this macabre back ground, the UN debate on "peace' proposals appeared like the wrangling of ghouls. The Indian delegate, his eyes on the masses at home seething with anger and bitterness over U.S. intervention in Korea, opposed going beyond the 38th parallel. Vyshinsky, speaking for Mos-

all troops and a free election by the Korean people to set up a unified government. In the circumstances the proposal was ar obvious cheap bid for favorable publicity. Moscow participated in the division of Korea that sowed the seeds of the present conflict and when the Korean people discovered in life that they could own choice only in the way the plenty." American colonials did in 1776 Moscow advanced them only enough help - at a price not yet revealed — to probe Americar

reaction but not to win. Vyshinsky's empty propaganda gesture in the UN was a fitting

the 38th parallel; and the United of the Korean people, whom it Nations placed its rubber-stamp regards as highly expendable. The U.S. demand in the UN to

sula by MacArthur up to the get on with the undeclared war in Korea won hands down At the same time, the swift naturally. The body which Mosadvance of MacArthur's armies cow helped create and advertise as the world's only hope for peace once again demonstrated its utterly reactionary character.

Despite these terrible blows, the struggle is far from over in Korea. The missionaries with jeil.ed gasoline and phosphorous pombs will not find many easy converts to Syngman Rhee's democracy."

Fearful as the "pacification" may be, it cannot extinguish the desire of the Korean people for reedom and independence. They will surely fight on as the Yugoslavs did under the Nazis, the indo-Chinese under the French despots and the Filipinos under the servile puppets that have ruled their land.

How MacArthur

By Joseph Keller

General MacArthur on Sept. 29 made his triumphal entry into Seoul, once a city of 1,500,000 souls. He had "liberated" the South Korean capital in typical MacArthur - style. Seoul was bombed and burned to the ground.

Before Seoul's "liberation," MacArthur graciously announced it would be "spared" the fate of every other Korean city, town and village to which U.S. forces have lent their attentions. The grateful survivors will never forget this generous sentiment.

On Sept. 26, MacArthur prematurely announced Seoul's complete "envelopment and seizure" and that "liberation of the city was conducted in such a manner as to cause the least possible damage to civil installations.'

That same day Don Whitehead, Associated Press correspondent, wrote from inside Seoul that "this is a flaming, smoke-filled city of horror today." He reported: "Seoul is not being spared. . . Not in two wars have I seen anything to equal the battle for Seoul. . . It is 2 bonfire of all the bitterness and hate of war concentrated on one city. . . Seoul is being scarred and battered terribly - but the Allied High Command is not sacrificing lives to save the face of Seoul.

"IT COST PLENTY"

But MacArthur did not spare even the lives of his own soldiers, according to Army and Marine ommanders themselves. The U.P. reported on Sept. 30 from Seoul that these officers "contended today that it (Seoul) could have cow, proposed the withdrawal of been taken without the heavy loss in lives and property paid for its capture." The destruction was "attributed by the officers to demands that Seoul be taken 'as soon as possible'."

"We had to take it at 'all costs'," the dispatch quotes a lieutenant colonel. "A triumphal entry into the city was needed as soon as possible, and we gave it to them, establish a government of their but it cost us and the Koreans

> If MacArthur didn't leave enough of the city intact to provide a proper setting for a brilliant "victory" parade and glittering ceremony when he "turned over" the smoking ruins

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MINN. SWP OFF BALLOT

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 1 — Charging that there is an organized plot to keep the Socialist Workers Party off the ballot, Chester K. Johnson, Minnesota campaign man-

ager, declared today that hundreds 3of new signatures have been ob- emphasized the crucial need to tained to support Grace Carlson's candidacy for Congress in the ballot. Fifth District.

Robert Fitzsimmons, county audirevealed that the so-called "check" made by the Voters Registration SWP candidate. Bureau had been utterly inadequate. As the committee checked the records, the Bureau was forced to admit that a number of "errors" had occurred.

Among those signers listed as "non - registered voters" were workers who signed with their initials instead of full first and second names, and married women who signed themselves "Mrs." tollowed by their husband's names, as well as workers with such Scandinavian names as Olson, Swanson, Carlson, Johnson and Nelson. A check of these Scandinavian names was termed impossible, because of the frequency with which such names appear on the list of the Minneapolis Voters Registration Bureau.

supplies to drought-stricken tion of the Yugoslav people. At It became very clear that political forces organized to keep the Yugoslavia. SWP candidate off the ballot were made public, Hansen urged the American imperialism despite responsible for the precedentbreaking move. "This is the first ALP candidate to make an "un- heavy pressure to divert it from time a minority party filing by ambiguous declaration" favoring the road to socialism, petition has been challenged in aid to Yugoslavia. Failure to do this way locally," Vincent R. so, he declared, "can only confirm Dunne, national labor secretary the widespread assumption that of the party, charged. A Min- the Stalinist machine running the it is not necessary to accept neapolis Tribune story quoted American Labor Party is cynically either Stalin's or Truman's claim Dunne's accusation.

In a statement to the press, Grace Carlson announced hed determination to defeat the attempts of "would-be fascists" in Hennepin County to keep her name off the ballot. Pointing out that world war is, I trust, sincere. peoples to freely choose their own deteriorate in government dumps slavia can only confirm the wideboth Marcella Killen, the Demo- Everyone genuinely interested in form of government is duty bound cratic - Farmer Labor candidate, advancing the struggle for peace to defend Yugoslavia against both and Walter Judd, Republican must view your declarations on the Kremlin and the White House. candidate for 5th District Con- this subject with considerable gress, are pro-war candidates, she satisfaction.

have a working class opponent of imperialist war on the Minnesota

Oct. 7 is the deadline for the An official statement from filing of the necessary signatures. Campaign workers, who today tor, alleged that only 190 of the brought in nearly 300 signatures 692 signatures filed with him for the new filing, expressed con-Thursday were acceptable. An in- fidence that an overwhelming vestigation by an SWP committee number of additional signatures

Meantime, the "rejected" petitions are being checked and rechecked by a committee of supporters of Grace Carlson for Congress in order to expose the plot

will be obtained in support of the

Workers Party for U. S. Senate, Yugoslavia.

today challenged W. E. B. Du-

exploiting your candidacy for

The full text of Hansen's letter

"Your opposition to Wall

their own reactionary ends."

to DuBois follows:

fight for full, immediate and un- the sewer. conditional repeal of this vicious

debate sending emergency food tionary intervention in the revolu- knees.

In a letter to DuBois which he maintained its independence from

pernicious series of proposals which threaten so many of our traditional American civil liber-Bohannan asked: "How can any nonest person claim that Addonizio has a 'perfect voting record' and a 'liberal platform' when he voted three times inside

voted for this bill must be liberals The SWP candidate said that he wants voters in the 11th District. including CIO members, to know that he is the only one of the three candidates for Congress who opposed the police - state law, which the CIO had also opposed. "I am also the only candidate in

"As you are aware, Yugoslavia

candidate for the same office, to Stalin's police rule and reac- bring the Yugoslavs to their

the same time, Yugoslavia has

"This course has done great

by demonstrating in action that plies.

service to the struggle for peace

that there is no alternative except

"Clearly, everyone who stands

Street's preparations for another for peace and the right of all surpluses that will otherwise

DEFEND YUGOSLAVIA

what they offer.

man's veto, although the CIO again pleaded for the defeat of the bill. CIO President Philip When Harry Gross, king - pin cratic Party leaders who collect found untainted. bookie, confessed in the Brooklyn from the public officials and the grand jury probe that out of his party's candidates for public office

WILL CONTINUE

profitable relations between police, state of affairs long known to politicians and racketeers will be everyone. It was honest disbelief discontinued or greatly diminished that in a city where the yearly when the "smoke blows over." loot from organized rackets of all The Democrats at City Hall are kinds runs into hundreds of mil- hastening to institute a "shakelions, the police get such a small up" among the lower echelons of the police, the higher-ups are If there was any public surprise being rushed to cover, while the

Of course, a "full airing" is the last thing either Democrats or No one claimed ignorance of Republicans want. If full exlaw which has been erected as an the scandalous situation except the posure of the tie-up between the obstacle in the way of the fight police who collect the gambling capitalist parties and multi-billion against the Socialist Workers for social, political and economic pay-offs, the higher police and collar rackets in every city and city officials who collect from the state took place, scarcely

DuBois Asked for Yugoslav Stand "However, you have not yet with famine. Moscow could easily | do not deserve support, then com-Hansen, candidate of the Socialist made public your attitude toward send the grains needed to avert mon honesty demands that you

starvation but Stalin's totali- make your opinions public. OBLIGATED TO SPEAK

Bois, American Labor Party has taken a firm stand against hoping no doubt that hunger will "In that case you owe it to the oters to debate the question. A "The Truman administration likewise seeks advantage from do much to clarify this burning issue. As candidate for the Socialthe plight of the Yugoslavs. A ist Workers Party for U. S. Senate, I will be happy to present indefinitely pigeon-holed and Truman has so far callously failed to the case for speedy aid to Yugorespond to Yugoslavia's urgent slavia. But it is my hope that such need for emergency food sup- a debate will not be necessary and that you will make a unambiguous declaration in favor of aid to

this brutal attempt to pressure Yugoslavia. "Such a declaration is sure to strike a responsive chord among mands. Vigorous support from the majority of the working peoyou in behalf of Yugoslavia could ple of New York. If you remain help speed ships loaded with silent, however, your failure to come to the defense of Yugospread assumption that the Stalin-"If you have not yet spoken out ist machine running the Ameribecause you think there might be can Labor Party is cynically ex-"A serious, drought now merit to the Stalinist propaganda ploiting your candidacy for their threatens the Yugoslav people that the heroic Yugoslav people own reactionary ends."

Food Prices Up 20% Since June

Report from Europe —

German Capitalism, 5 Years After the Defeat

By Ernest Germain

like revisiting a reborn country. formation of the country into a arms race of world capitalism, men have bought themselves new annual rate of some 15 billion DM ly, the import figures have inruins, millions are still lodged in man industry is today again the that before the monetary reform, ized the biggest superprofits were plementary proof of the huge that Germany has been able to inhuman conditions, hunger and decisive factor between the iron which is only two years old, the the industrialists and bankers. profits realized by the big trusts. misery have drawn their ugly curtain and the Channel. lines over the faces of workers, determined by the beginning of tion and hopelessness, is ready to estate" — former peasants, shop- war — had nearly half of its as- in a dependent relation to the Exports are no longer dominated no time in moving to counteract same rate as before. In addition, Hitler's armament boom. The enter the political scene with the keepers, functionaries from East- sets in the Soviet zones of Ger- imperialist powers who emerged by raw materials (coal and wood), the impact of such unwelcome Gen. Hershey, director of the shops are full of goods and peo- same decisive specific weight of ern Germany who have lost every- many and Berlin, where they victorious from World War II: as was the case in the first postwhich was very rare indeed two technical qualification. and a half years ago.

The theories of all those who. basing themselves on the Morgen-

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left to put on some sort of a

Press, has described how Mac-

Arthur climaxed this murder of

a great city by intoning the Lord's

Prayer "in the battered Korean

capitol building in the charnel city

where from the galleries guards

even peered down the long cor-

The extent to which MacArthur

was described by N. Y. Times

areas had been reduced to ashes."

John J. Muccio, U. S. Ambassador

due to "wanton burning" by

ceived by the liberators is under-

standable in the light of the mil-

lions of dollars worth of damage."

Whitehead: "Street by street, the

Higgins of the N. Y. Herald-

of defenders "forced American

artillery and flame - throwing

tanks to burn down many acres

"Unfortunately," she writes,

office buildings. At the railway

smoking hillside where thousands

of the city."

who destroyed it was told by Don city."

STREET BY STREET

to South Korea, claimed this was plain.

ridors with binoculars.'

REDUCED TO ASHES

HOW GEN. MacARTHUR

man Rhee, there was just enough First Lt. Jack N. Lerond, 25, of

of Seoul, in a legislative hall a half men, women and children

where shards of glass came lay under the scorched rubble

tinkling down at intervals and when he had finished "liberating"

who reported that "Seoul was 65 litters to the aid stations." Where

That's not the way on-the-spot of "cheering" Koreans who greet-American correspondents saw it. ed the "liberators" in Seoul, ac-

Marines are nearing the heart of "waving hastily painted South

the city behind flame - throwing Korean flags," Gordon says "one

tanks, heavy artillery and air cannot but wonder how many feel

bombardment. . ." Marguerite they must put up this type of

Tribune reported from Seoul on ing neighbors that they are true

Sept. 27 that the "stubborn rear- followers of 'Hankuk' - the South

"the greatest damage was to and "loyalist" followers of Syng-

flimsy Korean homes and small man Rhee are summarily execut-

station we saw from close up a supporter of the "Communists."

guard action" of the small force Korean republican government."

Hugh Baillie, head of the United burned the hillside down."

"LIBERATED" SEOUL

Revisiting Germany today is industrial prostration and trans- already participating in the new shops and thousands of trades- ment, running at present at an general economic revival. Second-

ple are again smiling and laugh- its traditions, its organizational thing through the war, through were nationalized or taken over the United States, Britain and war years, but their main bulk is ing in the streets, something abilities and its high level of

WORKERS GET POORER

Today, let us repeat, production thau plan and on a misunder- in Western Germany already surstanding of the interdependence passes its "normal" level, indiof rival imperialist powers, pre- cating thereby that the capitalist struction won't be able to elimindicted for Germany decades of economy of Western Germany is ate

of buildings were gutted and

Stockton, Calif., who was in

MacArthur's glowing commu-

riques do not tell us, of course.

how many of Seoul's million and

from bombs, shells and flame-

throwing tanks she did not ex-

You can gather from these

real attitude of the "thousands"

Speaking of roadside groups

show to convince possibly suspect-

The Japanese-trained South Ko-

lean Marines have been given the

job of "restoring order" in Seoul

ing everyone they claim was a

Walker tells of seeing in a huge

bomb crater before the Banto Hotel "a dozen civilians, their

hands tied behind their backs . .

executed by bands of roving South

Korean people no doubt love the

"RESTORING ORDER"

UNDER THE RUBBLE

Therefore the politics of the tween 1/3 and 2/5 of the prewar overall profits of the great correfugees and ex-soldiers. But the German bourgeoisie will become "norm" — does not mean at all porations began to be published It would be a mistake, however, weight in world economy. The chimneys are smoking like never more and more important for that profound and disturbing again. The picture they gave was to think that the German bour- unfavorable balance of foreign the Wall Street stock market and before, industrial production has shaping the political development changes in the social structure of really amazing. For example, a geoisie goes on living as if it trade, and therefore the dependalready surpassed by 15% the of the old continent. And for the the country have disappeared. | big monopoly corporation like hadn't lost a war. If it has been ency on foreign "aid," is bigger 1936 levels in the territories of the old continent. And for the territories of the old continent. And for the the present Federal Republic — working class, slowly tearing it— working class, slowly tearing it— working class, slowly tearing it— in its borders millions of paupers with AEG dominated the field of the present federal Republic — working class, slowly tearing it— in its borders millions of paupers and the war. Finally, the architects of the police state in the character of the exports is still this country have reacted just as and the 1936 levels were already self away from years of prostra- whom one might call "the fifth electrical apparatus before the ation of its own workers, it is still different from the prewar period sensitively to the news. They lost

which years of industrial recon- the ratio of 10 to 1.

es that norm in the Federal Re- enormous profits realized since ers, threatens to turn against four articles on Germany today. public. The German working class the end of the war and ploughed them. has thus been terribly impoverish- back into capital assets by the For one thing, the figures of the ties and the Question of Re-Milito the brutal U. S. puppet Syng- charred ruins. We talked there to and lack of necessities, there is now a new epoch of "stabilization" for the working class - of charge of the tank platoon that stabilization of its living stand-**ACTU Sheet Denounced** ards at a misery level 1/3 below the level known under "normal"

fascist conditions of 1936! These facts need no comment to indicate less plunder of the people in the interests of the ruling class.

them. But Homer Bigart of the PROFITEERING RAMPANT

kept watch in all directions and N. Y. Herald-Tribune wrote four This super-exploitation of the days before Seoul's fall that workers has brought super-profits hundreds of civilians had been for other social layers. Indeed, killed in the battle," while Mar- during the first postwar period, guerite Higgins even complained, the German peasantry, like everywhere else in Western Europe, Catholic Trade Unionists. "Korean civilians, especially "spared" and "liberated" Seoul children, would not take cover took a big revenge on the cities properly and thousands have been for the decades of economic decorrespondent, Lindesay Parrott, carried by all sorts of improvised cline the peasants had previously suffered. By ruthlessly raising the per cent destroyed" and that "its the trapped Koreans could find prices of scarce food products, the German farmers, with the exceplarge business and residential "cover" in their wooden shacks debts, paid up their mortgages and in general started a new life. "Communists" before they fled descriptions how to evaluate the dustrial goods and building themraising their consumption of inselves new houses.

Their prosperity, of course, quickly came to an end. Interna-A Sept. 30 United Press dispatch cording to MacArthur's press tional competition is rapidly scalfrom Seoul reports: "Despite com- hand outs. Gordon Walker of the ing down their margin of profits, titles, and local union numbers that in the Michigan CIO and the union movement into the image of muniques that Seoul was spared, Christian Science Monitor des- and already rye, potatoes, veget- right." It further complains that UAW the Reuther brothers and the Pope's and Mussolini's corthere is evidence everywhere of cribed rather how "crowds of citi- ables and fish are suffering from the pummeling it took from zens . . . watch in silence" the United States planes and artillery burning of their homes. He said: sheet for the peasantry, especially fabrication, employing techniques is the state of the pummeling it took from zens . . . watch in silence the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of their errand boys are the "Socialists" is only the next learned from zens . . . watch in silence the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of their errand boys are the "Socialists" is only the next learned from zens . . . watch in silence the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of their errand boys are the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of their campaign to learned the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of their errand boys are the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of their errand boys are the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of their errand boys are the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of their errand boys are the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employing techniques is many of the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employed the campaign of distortion and fabrication, employed the campaign of distortion and fabrication and the campaign of distortion and the campaign of distortion and distortion and t The coolness of the welcome re- "For many inhabitants, it un- the middle and rich peasants, is doubtedly is difficult to believe nevertheless still one of profit that the Americans, who only a compared with the prewar period.

few years ago were teaching the kindly elements of democracy, the misery of the workers were should now be forced to conduct the traders and shopkeepers. How Seoul was destroyed and such ruthless destruction of the Scarcely had the monetary reform restored trade to normal conditions when there was a general famished for goods for so many price. Competition was practically non-existent, big department stores were still very weak or had disappeared altogether in the previous years. Therefore commercial profits became exorbitant, the profit margin being around an average of 40% for the tradesmen! No wonder that while reconstruction of workers' flats is ex- hierarchy is a welcome, even if pages, etc. tremely slow, every city of Ger- belated, progressive action on the many is full of newly-built luxury part of the CIO.

level of production oscillated be- Some time ago, the first postwar FOREIGN TRADE the annexation of the Eastern by the Russians. Furthermore, a France. It would be ridiculous to represented by semi-finished provinces by Russia and Poland, considerable number of its plants characterize this dependency as goods, and not yet by manufacor in their flight from the Soviet were damaged or destroyed by the "colonial" in nature. The indus- tured products, as before the war.

zone of occupation. The misery war. Reichsmark notes were ex- trial structure of the country and and desperation of these millions changed for Deutschmark notes all the visible trends of develop- powers are going to find it inis one product of the lost war during the monetary reform on ment flatly refute such an allegation. But there is still visible, in German competition on foreign Notwithstanding all this, the the field of foreign trade, a descurrent assets of the Seimens- perate - and in the long run for the whole logic of the present A second equally harsh conse- Halske corporation in Western hopeless - attempt of some of world situation, which obliges quence is that the real wages of Germany are estimated in the the "victorious" imperialist pow- them to build up an imperialist the industrial workers barely same value in Deutschmark as ers to impose some limits to Ger- united front against the Soviet reach 70% of the prewar 1936 were its assets in all of Germany many's industrial revival and ex- Union, is working against these norm - whereas overall per ca- in 1943 in Reichsmark. This pro- pansion which, made possible by attempts. pita consumption already surpass-vides a rough estimate of the the very needs of these rival pow-

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KOREAN DEVELOPMENTS CREATE PEACE JITTERS

By John G. Wright

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"ease off" on Korea news. So did duced construction of new homes.

The war-mongers and the ficulties to their plans.

Prominent banks and financial nouses immediately circulated assurances that there is "no chance of going back to where we were before Korea." Prominent brass hats, headed by Omar Bradley of the U. S. Joint Chiefs of Staff. ave rushed to the fore with warnings against "letting down our guard."

Truman himself felt it necessary to chime in with the declaration that "the worst thing that could now happen would be to let down our guard," and to add a warning against any "sincere effort (in Congress) that would be made to block the whole mobilization and rearmament program."

From Truman down there is not the slightest intention among the capitalist ruling circles to slacken he pace of their arms program. The stress remains on militarizing this country and Western Europe, and will be kept there.

NEW STEPS TAKEN

To dispel any doubts on this score the Truman administration has taken a whole number of ac- police-state rule. to prevent a let down following jitters," and the vigorous reaction victory in Korea."

been semi-officially announced "in relaxation of the war fever, should the next ten days." Cyrus Ching help open the eyes of many workhas been offered the chairmanship ers to the real meaning of Truof the Wage Stabilization Board, man's undeclared war in Korea readying the machinery for an and what the price of "victory" early imposition of the wage there really is. Korea is serving

expected to place new tough curbs military at home, in preparation on federal home mortage credit, for the next war.

Orders have been issued giving priority on materials and plant capacity to the military, along with plans for steel expansion. The drafting of men into the armed forces is to continue at the repercussions, which, if allowed to draft, has demanded from Conspread, could raise serious dif- gress new provisions allowing the conscription of veterans, removal of exemptions because of dependents and a six - moth extension of the service term for teen-agers.

ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVES

Other measures of similar nature will unquestionably follow. There will be no let up on militarization! On the economic plane this means that inflationary fires will be stoked, if necessary, more violently than before. Scarcities, artificial and real, will be promoted. Prices will be driven upwards and maintained, by government action, at high levels wherever they may show a tendency to sag. Wages will be frozen at the carliest opportunity and real wages, that is, mass living standards, steadily slashed, with the labor draft in the offing.

On the political plane, there will

This incident of the "peace

make Catholic company unions out of the CIO.

Militants in the union movement pointed out that the redbaiting by the ACTU and the Reuther bureaucracy would in the long run not only eliminate the Gommunist Party, but weaken the entire union movement. On this basic point, however, the Michigan CIO still sees eye to eye with the red-baiting ACTU.

Nowhere in the attack of the CIO News on the Wage Earner is there criticism of red-baiting. There is only a large shout. "It's not me!" If the CIO is to stop the Catholic hierarchy's attack in its tracks, it can do so only by denouncing the weapon of redbaiting as a weapon sponsored by the capitalist class to strike a mortal blow at labor itself.

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Just as the original red-baiting by the ACTU was not an honest presentation of the Catholic hierarchy's real aims (which are to transform the American trade union movement into the image of the Pope's and Mussolini's corporate unions), so this attack on the "Socialists" is only the next state of the Cownership, Manager ment, and Circulation required by the Act of the Ownership, Manager ment, and Circulation required by the Act of the Ownership, Manager ment, and Circulation required by the Act of the Ownership, Manager bent, and Circulation required by the Act of the Ownership, Manager bent, and Circulation required by the Act of the Ownership, Manager bent, and Circulation required by the Act of the Ownership, Manager bent, and Circulation required by the Act of the Ownership, Manager bent, and Circulation required by the Act of the Ownership, Manager bent, and Circulation required by the Act of the Ownership, Manager bent, and Circulation required by the Act of Copies of the Ownership, Manager bent, and Circulation required by the Act of Copies of the Ownership, Manager bent, and Circulation required by the Act of Copies of the Ownership, Manager bent of Copies of distributed, through the mails or otherwise, to paid subscribers during the wise, to paid subscribers during

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with sadness that the Wage another obstacle, the "Marxian Earner, which in their joint cam- | Socialists." paign against the "communists" had "gained a most respected tion of small groups in backward position in the field of labor Communism and Fascism are ness is the nearest approach to or unfertile regions, paid off their journalism," has degenerated ideologies to be fought and congetting something for nothing." into a dishonest, incompetent, demned by all honest American bungling smear sheet. What had trade unionists." once been the prophet of pro gressive unionism has become an THEIR NEW TARGET apostle of reaction."

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rush on the stores. The public, sought to smear the Michigan CIO association. The last few issues of years, bought anything at any lies, distortions, and guilt by series of attacks on Social Demoassociation.

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Korean vigilante committees. . . my boss the other day. I kept The Oct. 2 N. Y. Times says "reprisals have set in" and "block telling him I wanted to be put on by block the campaign to root out the Gypsy Rose Lee case because Communists and sympathizers is in a backhanded way it is reflectunder way." In Seoul today, it's ing on the prestige of the FBI. But he ordered me to join up and A VOLUNTEER 'cheer" for the "liberators" - or work as an undercover man in a Seoul, of course, is but a sample new front organization called the of what American imperialist National Committee to Persuade "liberation," has meant to all Hollywood to Film Hiawatha. And South Korea. As the N. Y. Times said in an Oct. 1 editorial: "It is probably too much to hope that he sneered and made a crack about special division within the FBI, son, called us to his house to say anything less than half of the urban dwellings in the country volunteered and he wondered will have been destroyed." The

> That's a lie, and he knows it. Only last year I volunteered for out of. something big. It was like this. I got to thinking about the way we send our operatives into all these organizations. And then the I want to tell you what Washingthought came to me - what's to ton told me to tell you," he says, the same, that is, sending their for myself. agents right into the FBI itself?

tional security if they wormed control. They also say that you will be used, and of course on a their way into the FBI and got should not raise this issue again big scale. So the zipper business was what, of course. assigned to a job like tapping or discuss it with anyone after will be an essential part of The next day, I went into the then let him know about it.

then I thought no, how can I be sure HE isn't a commie agent himself? Besides, I know he would

So I wrote a letter to J. Edgar's office itself. I outlined the dangers and the possibilities and so forth and so forth, and then I respectwhen I tried to argue that Gypsy fully suggested that it might be Rose Lee is a lot more important, advisable to quietly set up a cause his assistant, named Robert- That was pretty clearcut although cause most people don't seem to this being the first time I ever to kind of check on our own peo- he was sure Dalraux was a comple. In conclusion, I volunteered to act as the representative of he'd seen him carrying radical him speaking against war. this division in the office I work literature, and that Dalraux was

me in. He is burning up, I can world without war." see that right away. "First of all.

I had some more trouble with | My first impulse was to go right | "WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO | the boss had to admit that was | promoted to superintendent, that in to the boss and tell him. But PULL AROUND HERE - YOUR pretty neat. OWN ROBERTSON CASE?"

four years ago. We got interested in him be-

always cursing the "big shots" be-A few days later, my boss calls cause "they can't even run the I was put in charge of the in-

"They told me to tell you that buttons on their pants, but this and his voice got loud and angry: our interest in its personnel. Even It seems that Robertson had been scenes, exclusive series.)

about, although there are plenty ing the Spanish civil war, and commie. of cases like it. There was a man that when he took the job of named Dalraux. foreign - born, superintendent he openly said boss shrieked, was he said this in naturalized in 1922, who became that as far as he was concerned, front of five or six other emsuperintendent of a zipper factory a colored worker is the same as a ployees and now it was all around soon have one hired as the other. for the prestige of the FBI bewe never found out anything understand that in this business about his reading radical litera- some bystanders are bound to get munist spy and saboteur. He said ture or anybody who ever heard hurt now and then.

DALRAUX DEPARTS

a fine American type, a real thought of such a thing-honestly. patriot, and I didn't have any vestigation. First, we had to trouble at all. I told him that he for volunteering was to have figure out an angle to explain might be interested in some of aspersions cast on my integrity stop the subversives from doing "and then I want to say something our interest, but that was easy. In the things we had discovered and to be barred from the Gypsy the last war, the soldiers had about his superintendent, and that Rose Lee case. That's the kind of we weren't recommending any- thing that makes a patriot think When you stop and think about your alertness, initiative and dis- was cumbersome; I heard that thing but he might be looking for about transferring from the it, the possibilities are unlimited. cretion are appreciated, and will many complained because zippers defense contracts pretty soon, and FBI and getting a job with this Imagine all the damage a few not be forgotten, but that the weren't used. Well, it's logical to be got the point. A week later, he Subversive Activities Control without letting him know what the McCarran law.

he had got drunk the same night We had only four men on the at a celebration, and had bragged So I'd better tell you a little Dalraux case, but we did a pretty that he had made up a cock-andabout the Robertson case, which thorough job. We learned he had bull story about Dalraux and got try to hog the credit for my idea, the bureau has always kept quiet been a Loyalist sympathizer dur- the FBI to get him fired as a The worst thing about it, my

white worker and he'd just as the plant. Such things aren't good Anyhow, you can understand

what my boss meant about my trying to pull a Robertson case on I talked to the employer myself, him. And honestly, I had never So the only reward I ever got

some congressman's phone, and this." Then his face got purple defense industry, and that justifies office and my boss was red hot, in this sensational, behind the

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of capitalist decline. If the means of production remain in the hands of a small number of capitalists, there is no way out for society. It is condemned to go from crisis to crisis, from need to misery, from bad to worse. In the various countries the decrepitude and disintegration of capitalism are expressed in diverse forms and at unequal rhythms. But the basic features of the process are the same everywhere. The bourgeoisie is leading its society to complete bankruptcy. It is capable of assuring the people neither bread nor peace. This is precisely why it cannot any longer tolerate the democratic order."

"In all countries the same historic laws operate, the laws

- Leon Trotsky, Whither France, 1934.



LENIN .

Loud Silence of the Union Leaders

Imagine the outcry that would have gone up from the labor bureaucrats if the McCarran-Kilgore law had been the product only of the Republicans, or only of the Republicans and the Southern Democrats! They would have denounced and howled and threatened and exposed till they were blue in the face, and the union members would have been bombarded with voting records and appeals to defeat those who had voted for the law.

Instead, what you hear from the labor leaders is - a loud silence. True, they sent a few telegrams to Congress pleading for the defeat of the bill, and these telegrams showed that they were aware of the great dangers it presents to organized labor. But that's all they did. None of them even uttered a word of criticism against the Kilgore concentration camp provisions.

Such behavior is of course due to the fact that the Democratic Party too supported the bill in its overwhelming majority. That of course makes everything "different" to them. In the interests of their alliance with the Democratic machine, they have decided to shamelessly "subordinate" the issue. With them political expediency comes before everything else, including struggle against the

A typical example of their political cynicism was the AFL Labor's League for Political Education's publication on Sept. 27 of the "checklist" showing which

Europe's Reluctance to Rearm

The capitalist press has started to complain publicly about Europe's "general apathy" to the huge arms program that the American imperialists are determined to impose on their Atlantic Pact allies. The other day the N. Y. Times front-paged a dispatch detailing a report to the ECA by a "seasoned observer" the gist of which is that the European governments are "either unwilling or unable to undertake a rearmament program of the dimensions suggested by the United States unless Washington foots the bill."

The reluctance of the European capitalists flows from the fact that the program of "guns not butter" does not have to be explained at any great length to the millions of Europeans. They have had their fill of it. There is not a single West European government that feels strong enough to survive even an attempt to carry out such a program.

If U. S. capitalism foots the bill, then the picture drastically alters. For then Europe would experience an arms boom similar to the one in this country in the course of World War I and, on a lesser scale, in the early stages of World War II. Not only would European capitalists reap a fabulous harvest thereby and be placed in a position to regain much of their former power and world markets, but they would also be able to maintain living standards at home, and thus at

four days after the enactment of the McCarran-Kilgore law and 15 days after the first decisive test on the measure in the Senate. Yet the checklist did not even include mention of the law! So far as the labor leaders are concerned, it evidently doesn't matter how

members of the Senate the AFL wants

elected and defeated this year. This was

Senators voted on this life-or-death question. The LLPE gives seven of the 16 Senators it is supporting credit for a "perfect voting record" — Lucas of Ill., Meyers of Pa., Thomas of Utah, Hayden of Ariz., McMahon of Conn., Morse of Ore, and Lehman of N. Y. AFL members have the right to know that the first six all supported the McCarran-Kilgore bill and that Lehman supported the Kilgore part of the bill, but they will have to seek the information outside of the pages of their own papers.

Of course the CIO leaders follow the very same policy. "A Buck for PAC Will Bring Liberals Back" is one of the slogans in the CIO News. It neglects to add that when the liberals are brought back they are going to vote over and over again for concentration camps as the alternative to the McCarran law.

Tail-ending the liberals, the leaders of the labor movement are proving that they are more concerned with covering up for the Democratic Party than they are in defending labor's interests. Union

members ought to let them know what the rank and file think about this fatal least blunt mass resentment and opposi-

But of course, the American capitalists have not the slightest intention to permit their rivals to enrich themselves at their expense. What is still more impor-

quickly go bankrupt financing its own arms program plus the one abroad. Recent public pronouncements such as the one by Sen. Connally, Chairman of the powerful Senate Foreign Relations Committee, that the hour has come for Washington to "put the pressure and the heat on" the West Europeans to do "their

share" are only mild echoes of what has

been taking place behind the scenes in

tant, even the American colossus would

the secret diplomatic negotiations. Although retiring head of the ECA Hoffman has suddenly discovered that the arms program would actually mean "guns and butter" for Europe, the old world capitalists continue to stall. The Foreign Ministers conference in New York was a resounding flop from Washington's standpoint. So far as the European capitalists are concerned, it has put them in a better position to haggle for concessions and more favorable agree-

Such is the real context of all the current public lamentations over Europe's "apathy" and the pleas for closer "cooperation" and "mutual understanding."

What Is Happening To the United States?

By George Breitman

poverty) of their own lands. But oday their grandchildren are beng deprived of the very political liberties they were brought here to enjoy. Many millions more would still like to come here from Western Europe, but now it is mainly the higher living standards that attract them. For with the enactment of the McCarran-Kilgore registration and concentration-camp law, the United States has less and not more political freedom than any other big capitalist country in the world, including Germany and Japan.

The new law does not signify the triumph of fascism. It is one thing to rush through Congress a measure that, in Truman's term, puts the government in "the thought control business"; it is another to be able to enforce it effectively, that is, to get the people to submit to it. The American people are still in the dark about the real contents of the law. which has been presented to them primarily as an "anti-communist" measure that does not infringe on their own democratic rights.

When they learn the truth, as there is bound to be a tremendous revulsion, and struggles that will blacklist system. surpass in scope and bitterness those waged against attempts to enforce the Alien and Sedition Acts of 1798 and the Fugitive

NEW SITUATION

While understanding that the settled (even a section of the capimodified), it must be recognized that its enactment marks a new and sharp shift in American poli- For a Workers tical life. Bourgeois democracy was never the paradise its adherents claimed, and the reality was often quite different from the ideal picture painted of it. But with all their restrictions,

democratic rights really existed; and the fact that they were conthan gifts of the ruling class did

changed since Sept. 23. The Bill of ty's 1950 Election Platform.

anyone who thinks that it is a capitalists are not yet convinced lions of Europeans emigrated to sufficient safeguard is deluding that they need the expense of a himself. When Hitler came to Hitler, which the German capitalto escape the despotism (and the the Weimar Constitution, reputed mastery. But many of them also to be the most democratic in the feel that the method of controlcapitalist world, but let it remain ling the American masses that on the books while systematically they have used up to now - priviolating every one of its demo- marily bribes and concessions cratic provisions.

> of Rights. If one is still going to cial reforms - is likewise too speak of bourgeois democracy as costly and by itself may not prove American political structure, one that lies ahead. can do so scientifically only by democracy in profound crisis and magogy, but along with these they in the process of transition to are going to brandish the iron democracy.

LIBERAL EXPLANATION

that the new law is the product the next war. A government carexclusively of "panic" and "hysteria" and that when these pass off everything will be as it was all the others held by the liberals, runs directly counter to the un- during a total war but during the deniable fact that the law is merely the latest expression of a police-state pattern that appeared PERMANENT FEATURE with the beginning of the cold war and manifested itself as early chief bulwark against totalitarianthey surely will once enforcement as 1947 in the adoption of the ism, cannot afford the kind of ilof the law is seriously under way, Taft-Hartley Act and Truman's lusions the liberals try to comfort "loyalty" purge and "subversive" themselves with. It must be un-

political climate in this country liberals themselves—like Humph- a socialist society. s by no means favorable to the rey and Douglas, who even voted establishment of totalitarianism. for the McCarran bill at certain state today operates under the stages - are results and not the slogans: "Repeal the McCarran cause of this crisis.)

issue of this law has not yet been to locate. To succeed in domin- of united resistance, which can ating the world, the ruling class best be launched through a united talist class wants it repealed or must curb and subjugate the congress of labor and other mass

And Farmers Gov't

"Labor must break all ties with the capitalist parties - Democratic and Republican. For an Independent Labor Party based on quests of mass struggles rather veterans. For a United Labor Connot alter the grudging acceptance all unions, to launch labor's own of them by the capitalists as over- party and run labor's own candihead payment for maintenance of dates for office. For a Workers regime, it will truly be a governtheir political and social system. and Farmers Government!" -But the situation has been From the Socialist Workers Par- and interests of the great major-

Rights is still on the books, but masses at home. The American made through the medum of the

The new law has riddled the Bill labor bureaucracy and limited soa predominant feature of the sufficiently effective in the period They still intend to rely on the adding that it is a bourgeois labor bureaucracy and liberal de-

forms that have always been as- fist. The new law is designed as sociated with the negation of a preventive measure - to prevent the American people from "getting out of hand" when they learn what horrible things capi-The liberals console themselves talism has in store for them in rying out the wishes of the people has no need of repressive laws, anything but popular, not only period of preparation for it.

The working class, the country's derstood that the drive toward a Granted, the new law may be police state is now a permanent repealed or modified or only par- feature of American capitalism. tially enforced. But none of these The cause of this trend cannot be things would eliminate the cause eliminated without removing the Slave Law of 1850. Capitalist pro- of the crisis of bourgeois democ- forces that push the ruling class paganda and Stalinist betrayals racy. (The "panic" and "hysteria" toward world domination and war, may have made many Americans which the liberals talk about and that is, without abolishing capital nostile to "Communism" but the which was most evident in the ism itself and replacing it with

The fight against the police law! Restore the Bill of Rights! The real cause is not difficult We advocate a broad movement organizations, and we are eager to collaborate with all other groups that agree on these elementary objectives.

But at the same time we will that the threat to their rights won't disappear while the capitalist class remains in power. We the trade unions and embracing will urge them to prepare themthe working farmers, Negroes and selves accordingly for the establishment of a Workers and Farmference, with representation from ers Government which will safeguard and extend democratic liberties because, unlike the present ment representing the aspirations ity of the population.

PRESS COMMENT ON THE McCARRAN LAW

It would be wrong to think that the capitalist class is anywhere near as united in favor of the McCarran-Kilgore police state law as the overwhelming majorities cast for it in Congress might make it appear. Literally hundreds of influential daily newspapers, reflecting conservative as well as liberal capitalist opinion, were either opposed to the law in part or in whole or expressed the gravest misgivings. Most of their criticisms were along the lines of Truman's veto message - that the law could not achieve its purpose and that in addition it imperiled civil liberties - but some went beyond Truman and criticized provisions he barely objected to or even accepted.

The N.Y. Times said: "Its prohibitory language is so broadly worded that there would be danger of involving in the toils of the law perfectly loyal citizens of leftist or radical or even merely unpopular views. . . This bill would strike primarily at beliefs. . . ' When the bill was enacted, it said: "the new law represents a long step away from the American tradition of liberty and freedom.'

The N.Y. Herald-Tribune found some of the provisions "good, some bad; and the whole is a mixture which, it seems to us, could have been more effectively dealt with on a piece-meal basis.'

The Washington Post charged that Congress "overrode not only presidential veto but a fundamental principle of American life" the principle that in a free country men should be punished for the crimes they commit and not for the ideas they have.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch said it "is the most extreme legislation since the abhorrent Sedition Act a century and a half ago." but the American ruling class It noted that under the registration provisions, "it is possible that before. This idea, as superficial as knows that its policies will be organizations or individuals not in the least subversive might be penalized or stigmatized" and that contrary to the concentration camp provisions "the Constitution does not provide punishment in anticipation of a crime." After the law was passed, it said:

"We wish that every citizen could have known before final passage what this law would do to him or her. For we believe - as confidently as we have ever believed anything - that this law would not have passed if our 150,000,000 people knew the extent to which it invades their cherished liberties. . . What we have seen is a gross miscarriage of representative government. . . It is enough to make Jefferson and Madison and Lincoln rise from their graves. . .

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat warns "there are millions of ntelligent citizens who either have grave doubts about the McCarran bill compromise or oppose it outright. . . The section authorizing internment of Reds in time of war could work extreme hardship and injustice.'

The Minneapolis Morning Tribune: "The bill resorts to such broad, blunderbuss technique that there will be constant likelihood of hitting individuals, and puncturing freedoms, which should be safely out of range.'

The Baltimore Sun found Truman "unexpectedly mild" on the concentration camp provisions which have "especially troubled libertarians." When Truman criticized these provisions "largely because they did not authorize suspension of the writ of habeas corpus, the President confused many who felt the maintenance of this old safeguard was to be desired even in emergencies." Also, "Mr. Truman gave too little notice to the fact that his Attorney General is already doing by mere administrative fiat, without hearings and without appeal, some of the things the registration sections of the law propose to do by something far closer to due process.'

The Chicago Tribune also denounced Truman for soft-pedaling on the "clearly vicious" concentration camp provisions. "This is continue to warn the workers imprisonment without trial, forbidden by the Bill of Rights."

The Chattanooga Times warned that "the proscribing of any organization is alien to our principles. . . We still do not need thought control in this country.'

Even the ultra-conservative Wilmington (Del.) Journal thought the bill's "dictatorial restrictions will threaten the liberties of anti-

The Dayton Daily News: "A tragedy for the country" is how it describes passage of the bill. "The alien and sedition acts, when sober sense returned to the country, wrecked the Federalist Party which had sponsored them. In the end, the McCarran bill will be a political liability, not to those who oppose it in the interest of freedom, but to those who launched and voted for it."

What Police-State Law Can

By Art Preis

"I'm no Communist. I never me," you may think. Don't kid Even if you are as innocent of

Communist views as a new-born babe, this new police-state law can hurt you plenty. In fact, if you are a militant union member or express any kind of liberal views or support any progressive cause, the McCarran-Kilgore law was just made for you.

This law is made for anyone the government wants to fit it to. All the government has to do under this law is say you're a "Communist" and you'd be a cooked goose. You might eventually avoid jail, but chances are you'd have a hard time getting or holding a FORCED "CONFESSIONS" job in the meantime.

First of all, the law says it is a crime to "conspire" to "perform any act which would substantially contribute to the establishment. . of a totalitarian dictatorship." Under this section of the law it is possible for you to be fined \$10,000 and imprisoned for 10 years for expressing any opinion that the reactionary ruling politicians in Washington may not like and might choose to call "Com-

IDEAS AIMED AT

Did you ever get up on a union gress aiding the profiteers? Did "socialist dictatorship" or "Com- to register. munism." The latter is specifical- But if any organization or in-

conducted such a feeble fight vocated by the Democratic liberals. mass organizations to plan joint up about something the governmental and other sociation. Suppose you are burned governmental and other sociation. Suppose you are burned governmental and other sociation. Suppose you are burned if you are a member of any or- acts of espionage or of sabotage, cialist Workers Party's 1950 Elecment is doing or failing to do and any other means deemed neces- ganization ordered to register, to This sweeping power of "pre-tion Platform.

you want to protest or join a sary, to establish a Communist | "conceal or fail to disclose" that | ventive detention" goes into efmovement that's advocating what totalitarian dictatorship. . . " "I'm no Communist. I never you think is best for the people. If the Attorney General orders The Attorney General might or- an "Internal Security Emergency" der you to register you can appeal der you to register if someone during a declared war, invasion or

> won't be labeled "Communist"? If you are an average person, tion. But the Attorney General's may inform the FBI that you be- U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. chances are you'd hesitate a dozen original order to you or an organ- have like a "Communist." Since times before saying anything or ization to which you are known all registered organizations are joining any organization that the to belong will probably do you required to label their mail as even years before getting a final Washington politicians might dis- and your organization great, if approve of. So, you see, even if not irreparable damage. you are not charged with anything under the law, it affects FEAR OF PERSECUTION you. Through fear of this law, you and millions of others like you can be intimidated and re- tion that may be forced to regisstrained from exercising your ter. It will be unable to obtain

and association.

er have had the slightest connection with a Communist organaffiliation and by that "confescriminal.

of "Communist action" and "Communist front" organizations. It requires "Communist action" groups, their officers and members and "Communist front" groups and their officers to register as such with the Attorney at all. General.

Who decides what a "Communthe law when they couldn't or form is already overdue, but all PC? Did you ever join a commit- ist action" or a "Communist highest U.S. courts, you are given cial inquiry and appeals. The Atany compromises with it and wouldn't conduct an effective the liberals counsel is "loyal tee to secure federal housing or front" is? The Attorney General. a final order to register, you must torney General can deport at will called on the masses to resist it, fight to prevent its adoption in the obedience" and patience while a national health insurance prothey fashion bills that would gram? Every one of these ideas ization — any committee or un- fine and 10 years in prison for ever was a "Communist" or "tota-— and any other progressive poli- ion or minority political party — each day of failure to comply. litarian." cy you can think of - has been as "Communist" and order it, its But if you do comply, you admit denounced by sponsors of the Mc- officers and, if he calls it "Com- to being part of an organization one, which under certain circum-Carran-Kilgore law as aiming at munist action," even its members or group that devotes itself to stances, can prove the most dead-

> to being an organization, or mem- to a "totalitarian dictatorship," trial "each person as to whom organized atomic scientists. For a The mere existence of this sec- ber of an organization, "whose it is illegal for you to seek, ac- there is reasonable grounds to Workers and Farmers Govern-

totalitarian dictatorship" or that even convince the Board that you to a "subversive" or "Commun-

Many will be afraid to join or

remain members of any organiza-Court.

even if subsequently the order is ister. And even to appeal costs doctrines" of such parties. plenty for legal counsel and de-

such crimes as "espionage and ly to your rights and liberties. sabotage.

Even if you are not prosecuted

fact to an employer.

The Attorney General might ortivities Control' law can't hurt "wou say won't be interpreted as to a hand-picked Subversive Ac- wrote him an anonymous letter "Communist," you might get such mail from an organization you never heard of and this might be Attorney General does not have to enough to link you with a "Communist" organization.

NON-CITIZENS' STATUS

If you are one of the millions constitutional freedom of speech contributions. It will have to of non-citizens in this country, spend large sums for legal aid you are in an especially precarious to appeal against the registration position. The new law deprives order to the Control Board and if you of all rights whatsoever. It But even silence may not save it loses there to the U.S. Appeals gives the Attorney General the anything against you. You are you under this law. You may nev- Court and even the Supreme power to "take into custody and deport" any non-citizen, "irrespec-The individual ordered to reg- tive of the time of entry into the ister, or known to be a member United States. . . who before or force you to "confess" to such of an organization ordered to reg- after the effective date of this pionage and sabotage" any time ister, would in most cases lose Act" has engaged, "or has had in the future. Finally, if you can sion" make you admit to being a his job or be denied employment, a purpose to engage" in "subversive" activities. Such activities in a concentration camp, you can This can be done under the pro- reversed. How many employers include membership or "affiliavision for compulsory registration | would wait for months, perhaps | tion with" the Communist Party, years, before a final appeal is or "other totalitarian party" or decided on a man or woman the merely advocating "the economic, Attorney General says must reg- international, and governmental There is no trial or appeal

fense - if you could afford it against a decision of the Attorney General to deport a non-citizen. If, after exhausting all appeals The new law sets aside all previto the Control Board and the ous laws regarding boards of spe-

The final section of the law is Under this section, the Attorney General is empowered to "appre- under control of a commission hend. . . and detain" without jury freely elected by the unions and

fect when the President declares "insurrection." Any person "de-"substantially" contributing to a tivities Control Board. You might falsely accusing you of belonging tained" — thrown into a concentration camp - has appeal only the movement you want to join never had anything to do with any ist" organization. Your boss, who to an appointed Detention Review sort of "Communist" organiza- doesn't like your union activities, Board and after it rules, to the It would be possible for you

to be incarcerated for months or review of an appeal. In no case would you get a jury trial. The present his "evidence" or "witnesses" before the Board if he claims this would be "dangerous to national security."

Thus, in an "Internal Security Emergency," the Attorney General can cause you to be locked up indefinitely without proving tention Review Board there are no "reasonable grounds" to believe you will "probably" commit "escarry an appeal to the U.S. Appeals Court - which is forbidden, however, to rule on the Review Board's "findings of fact."

Atomic Energy for Peaceful Uses!

"Against the Nazi-like censor-

ship on atomic energy. Against stockpiling atom bombs. Against the decision to make H-Bombs. Against turning the fearsome destructive powers of atomic energy upon mankind. Take control of atomic energy out of the hands of trigger-happy generals and war-minded hatchetmen of Big Business. Put atomic energy

LIBERAL SENATORS ADVISE PEOPLE TO 'LOYALLY OBEY' McCARRAN LAW of principled concessions to the setting up a special bureau to slavery might have endured to McCarranites, offering as a sub- enforce the law and gathering stitute only the establishment of

it would have died long ago.

Instead the labor leaders began to pussyfoot and make concessions and sign the Taft-Hartley oath and try to "live with the law." That is why it is still in effect, want them to be effective, they although most of the same ten will have to be methods rooted in Senators promised in 1947 that the real American democratic if they were listened to and re-

ple place an iota of confidence in promising and, in the final anthese ten Senators, when they alysis, treacherous methods adagainst the law, making all kinds

first place?

DIFFERENT METHODS

Yes, the people must "develop they would throw out. their own methods." But if they tradition, which means they will

"evidence" to present to the Sub-"Loyally obeying" a despotic concentration camps, and apolog- versive Activities Control Board: law is the best way to prevent its izing now for the law as the President Truman is working on floor and make a crack about Condefeat. The Taft-Hartley Act is a product of "democratic proce- the selection of the SACB's perrecent glaring example. If the dures"? Why should anyone sonnel. The time for action by op- you ever advocate equality for Nelabor movement had stood firm depend on such people to repeal ponents of the police state in any groes or sign a petition for FE-

If a repetition of the Taft-Hartley-repeal debacle is to be elected, the law would be repealed. have to be different as day and bring about a satisfactory repeal conference of labor and other sociation. Suppose you are burned (governmental and otherwise), es- plant." Moreover, it is a felony, conspire with others to engage in, peaceful uses." — From the So-Attorney General McGrath is action in their own defense.

repeal parts of the law while retaining sections as bad as any averted, then no further time ly defined in the law as "conspir- dividual so ordered does register, must be lost in mobilizing acy" to set up a "totalitarian dic- it amounts to a signed confession for "substantially contributing" mass protest which alone can tatorship. Why should the American peoWhy should the A there such a need for a united freedom of speech, press and as- infiltration into other groups any job in a private "defense will engage in, or probably will potentialities of atomic energy to

Twenty million dollars is being spent for propaganda against national health insurance legislation: huge advertisements in 10,333 newspapers during the week of Oct. 8, full-page ads in the largest national magazines, spot announcements on 300 radio stations, and several million dollars worth of pamphlets, luncheon speakers, and other devices for influencing opinion.

The theme of this barrage, in accord with the axiom that patriotism is the last resort of a scoundrel, is that President Truman's National Health Insurance program is socialized medicine and un-American.

As a matter of fact, the administration proposal, backed by AFL and CIO leaders, has nothing in common with socialism. Like unemployment compensation and other reformist measures, it merely spreads the cost of maintaining a working class to exploit, by deductions from the wages of all workers.

What the American Medical Association objects to is not the deductions from wages.— they favor private insurance plans - but any limitation on the AMA's complete domination of the relations between doctors and their patients, and particularly of fees. Moreover, if a national health plan were to include provision for training an adequate supply of doctors, the artificial scarcity of medical services maintained by the AMA trust in accord with the same principles observed by

other capitalist enterprises, might be impaired and price-cutting might appear as it occasionally does in other capitalist fields where some degree of in other capitalist fields where some degree of competition exists. And that, the high priests of Hudson Strike the medical profession will fight to the last drop of our blood.

VOLUME XIV

DETROIT, Oct. 1 - Members

of UAW Local 154 today voted to

end the six-day old unauthorized

strike of 20,000 workers against

the Hudson Motor Car Co. Sec-

Regional Director Norman Mat-

thews told the Hudson local meet-

ing in Detroit's Coliseum that the

International "would not condone

any violation of their contractual

agreements with the corpora-

Faced with a fight against not

only Hudson but also their own

nternational officers, plus a heavy

attack from the anti-labor daily

press, the workers agreed to

return to their jobs and submit

the grievances to further negotia-

Craig reported to a membership

to settle grievances involving

seniority, division of overtime,

and sending work out of the plant.

as they are getting paid the rate."

Under this system men with 20

The company's efforts to en-

force this ruling had already

resulted in some work stoppages.

motion was made and carried

until the company settled pending

Hudson is getting out its 1951

model car for showing to dealers

on Oct. 13 and was anxious to

have the recent 3 year-contract,

granting a 3c. hourly raise, signed

before starting work on the new

tional 7c. raise without a fight.

But it refused to give in on the

seniority dispute. So the strike

began on schedule and was 100%

Hudson workers returning to

employers, the workers' only con-

by that standard.

effective.

such a violation.

Called Off Under To cover up the ugly fact that they are willing to see unnecessary sickness and suffering continue so long as they can profit by it, the AMA directors Pressure of Int' doctor up their campaign with fancy appeals to prejudice and nationalism rather than to reason.

"Doctors of America are dedicated to serve their fellow citizens at home and their comrades in uniform, wherever service to this Nation may take them," their newspaper blurb reads. "And the thing they stand ready to fight for - to sacrifice for - to die for - is not the alien way of retary-Treasurer Emil Mazey and life of Socialism, but the prideful security of a free and self-reliant people!"

Capitalist politics, not medical practice, is the function of the AMA, and the thousands of doctor who entered their profession with the idealistic a'm of relieving suffering and helping make mankind healthier and happier, do not yet dare to challenge the men who may soon provide "loyalty tions," and that this strike was tests" to determine who shall practice medicine

The AMA propaganda attack is a political act aimed at the November elections. It should be answered politically. Every worker who wants to reply demonstratively to the AMA dictators should say, "We want socialized medicine," and vote for the only candidates who would eliminate profits in the interest of the health and happiness of the people, the men and women on the Socialist

'No Way Out'

By J. Blake

"No Way Out" is by far the best film produced by Hollywood to date on the Negro problem in the United States. It is still a long way from a fundamental understanding of the causes of racial prejudice, but at least Twentieth Century-Fox in this picture abandons the Pollyanna approach for a more realistic depiction of the viciousness of Negro baiters among the lumpen elements in the North, and touches what has hitherto been taboo on the American screen, a race riot.

The central character, convincingly portrayed by Richard Widmark, is a cunning thug from the lower depths of the "Beaver Canal" slums who attempts to avenge himself against a young Negro doctor, Sidney Poitier, for the death of his brother following an unsuccessful attempt at armed robbery in which both of them were injured.

Widmark, who started to insult the doctor from the moment they met in the hospital corridor imagines that Poitier killed his brother in retaliation. His warped mind occupies itself, as he lies in the hospital prison ward, with plans for loosing the toughs of Beaver Canal for a massacre of the Negro community.

The plan backfires, however, when the Negroes get wind of it, and organize a counter-attack. Led by an elevator man employed at the hospital, who bears scars from the last riot, they arm themselves with clubs and effectively prevent the invasion of the Negro ghetto by taking the denizens of Beaver Canal by surprise in a junkyard wherethey were arming themselves.

Perhaps this type of self-defense was what bothered the Chicago police censors who banned the picture when it was first released by Twentieth Century-Fox.

It is true that one of the best lines of the movie was in the scene in which the doctor tries to stop He reported that Hudson claimed the elevator man from organizing the Negroes it was entitled "to the same rights for defense. "You'll be as bad as they are," he enjoyed by General Motors, Ford admonishes. "Why be better when we get killed and Chrysler to place men on any just for trying to be as good!" is the essence of the reply. And one of the most inspiring scenes job regardless of seniority as long follows in the pool-room, where the hospital employee organizes and leads the Negro defense.

But the Chicago police censors need not have years seniority could be forced on worried. The viciousness of the race-hater is the heaviest operations while new ascribed by the hospital's chief of staff simply men were hired on the preferable to a deformed mind. - Some day we'll make an jobs. autopsy of your brain and find out what makes you like that, the doctor tells Widmark.

What neither the doctor nor any other character in a Hollywood production would say is that it is After the report on negotiations a American capitalist society, not the psychopathic mentalities it produces, that needs an autopsy to unanimously to shut all Hudson

The crop of recent films - Home of the Brave, Lost Boundaries, Intruder in the Dust and Pinky grievances. - touched the material very superficially, dealing with the fringe problems of the Negro elite, of those who can escape by passing as white, of an isolated soldier in the South Pacific or a proud and

"No Way Out" surpasses these with a more realistic treatment of the helplessness of the isolated Negro intellectual facing vicious racebaiters in its attempt to portray the life of the egro masses and its more accurate depiction o the role they play in the struggle to live in

reveal the real causes of race prejudice.

exceptional Negro landowner in the South.

The Housing Crisis

By Larry Dolinski

SWP Candidate for Michigan Auditor General

DETROIT - Michigan newspapers report that in those areas where federal rent controls have been lifted, rents have gone up as much as 60%. Evictions have increased enormously. These are the conditions which will be faced by all Michigan tenants when all rent controls expire Dec. 31 - after the elections.

For this the tenants can thank Truman's 81st Congress. Democratic Governor Williams, running for re-election as a "friend of labor," has remained silent on this question. The Detroit Common Council, controlled by Republican Mayor Cobo, voted down 5 to 2 a proposal to decide the question of continuing rent controls by a referendum at the November election. The Detroit News of Sept. 17 states "with tenants at the mercy of their landlords so far as occupancy and rent levels are concerned, what happens apparently depends on the character of the owner"! Yet the Detroit Free Press in an editorial contends that it would not be wise to place the question on the ballot because there are more tenants than landlords. This is a frank admission by the capitalist press that they are against submitting to any democratic decision on a major social problem such as rents.

A critical housing shortage has developed in the state of Mchigan during the last 20 years. During the depression new housing was not built because no one could afford it. Many people were living in substandard housing "because of the in an administrator. depression." New housing began to be built only when war was approaching and it was immediately the plants this week recognize wanted to know what the trouble stopped "because there was a war on." Since the that it was not the company that was. The crowd showed its irritaend of World War II there has been much con- drove them back to work with tion at this fresh interruption of struction for rentals at \$75 a month or more but | their grievances unsettled, but the | the speaker and the cop and the almost no low-rental housing. In addition much International union to which they of the jerry-built wartime housing is in a scan- pay dues every month. dalous condition. The outbreak of the war in To workers who see manage-Korea has further crippled housing construction. Democratic and Republican politicians can find contract whenever they can get | lunch hour, we got a good indicamillions for dictators like Franco, but they can't away with it, the International's tion of the feelings of this section for television appearances by the seem to find funds for adequate housing.

The situation calls for mass action by tenants, organized and led by the labor movement, directed very little meaning. When they ernor, was speaking. He conagainst the landlords and their political agents are in a showdown fight with the trasted the use of Jim Crow for the purpose of forcing the passage of effective rent control legislation and federal low cost cern is: Which side are you on? housing projects. The real-estate interests have not hesitated to use pressure for their purposes, but the cowardly labor leaders, because of their allegiance to capitalist politicians, are hostile to mass action tactics. Their opposition must be overcome. The only way that tenants can resist the real-estate interests and win rent controls as RAGING WITCH-HUNT IN PITTSBURGH well as adequate low cost housing is by independent working class politics combined with militant mass action.

BANS 'WORKER,' JAILS CP LEADERS

Mass Sentiment Reflected at Labor Party Conference

By Paul G. Stevens

conference of the British Labor militancy has singled him out for of support "from the United Party at Margate indicate further particularly venomous attack by States in Korea" and denounced headway for the leftward pressure of the workers, previously evidenced by the policy defeat of more striking significance, were applause showed considerable supthe leadership at the Trade Union two events which did not result port for these views, the motions Congress in Brighton last month in any affirmative action at the were voted down, the scanty disand by the more recent decision conference. One was the assault patches in the American newsof the Attlee government to go by Bob Openshaw of the new through with the nationalization General Council of the T.U.C. and of the steel and iron industry.

quick to accept unanimously a resolution demanding legislation organizations at the party con- were subjects of heated discussion to curb prices and profits, while ference, "on the way the na- as never before and there is no allowing considerable "flexibility" in removing "restraint in wage run." Pointing out that "too tions will be any less affected by demands." As a Times correspondent comments, thereby "They avoided the risk of such a defeat as overtook the General they proposed drastic changes in profit problem in the recent past. Council of the Trade Union Con- this respect. gress." Another indication of the same pressure was the increase the Labor government's foreign its reformist leadership is having of official "left wingers" on the policy by two rank and file dele- a hard time keeping in step with newly elected Executive and the gates, H. Ratner speaking in the it.

unprecedentedly high vote re- | name of the important industrial the Tories.

delegate of the A.E.U., T. Jones Margate, as well as at Brighton, The Labor Party Executive was of the Amalgamated Engineering the more basic questions of na-Union, both delegates from their tionalization and foreign policy tionalized industries are being reason to assume that these ques-

First reports from the annual ceived by Aneurin Bevan, the Salford Division and Arthur Minister of Health, whose verbal Upton, who moved for withdrawal American capitalism as the most Of less immediate, but even reactionary in the world. While papers declare.

But it is evident that in many of the former owners and mass pressures in the future than persons not favorably disposed to has been the case with steel nathe new order" were in charge, tionalization and the wage-price-To all intents and purposes, Another was the attack upon British labor is on the move, and

the Daily Worker in this citadel of bourgeois democracy. Judge Gunther last week asked the two distributors still handling it not to sell this "seditious" paper. As was to be expected in an atmosphere of intense local witchhunting, the newsdealers "willingly cooperated with the re-This is the climax to a beating

that freedom of speech and press has been getting in the steel city ever since the FBI "undercover" agent in the Communist Party, Matthew Cvetic, appeared before the House Un-American Committee and revealed the names and addresses of those he claimed were CP members. The people whose names were published were thrown out of their unions, fired from their jobs, and in some cases even forced to move out of Pitts-

This witch - hunting failed to atisfy the super-ambitious Demo-

day it is no longer possible to buy been storming through the state, Sessions Judges Marshall and "visiting" OP headquarters in a Ellenbogen fixed bond on Nelson vigilante manner and uttering all at \$50,000 - a sum greater than sorts of dire threats. At the start was put on Judith Coplon or any of the Labor Day week-end he of the top CP leaders. sprang a new surprise, this time in the capacity of a "private habeas corpus, and remained in citizen."

> Pennsylvania had passed in 1939 the charges against the three. but had never used. Armed with Despite the hysteria and vicious porter James Dolsen.

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 30 - To- | Michael A. Musmanno, who has | temporarily, and then Quarter

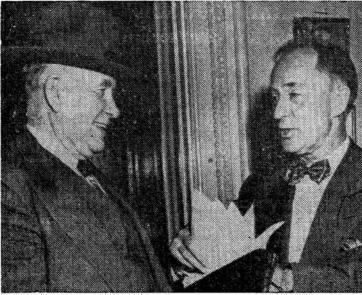
Nelson was denied a writ of jail for almost the entire month, Jumping the gun on the anti- being released only two days ago "subversive" bill being rushed after the State Supreme Court, through Congress, this publicity- without comment, had ordered hungry judge brought out from that his bail be reduced to \$10,000. oblivion an anti-sedition bill that The October grand jury will hear

this Gestapo-like measure, this red-baiting by the entire press "private citizen" wrote out a 7- here, a good part of the popula page brief and caused the arrest tion is concerned over these selfof three local CP leaders: Dis- appointed dispensers of "justice" trict organizer David Nelson, that reeks of totalitarianism. In Andrew Onda and Worker re- recent weeks a new civil rights committee, headed by Rev. Evans Of course no legally constituted of the North Side Unitarian body had brought charges of any Church, has been organized. The sort against them. When court press is ignoring the committee the bottom of these questions. Un- to set brother fighting brother, convened after Labor Day, Onda and trying to stifle it through doubtedly these members will white against Negre, skilled and Dolsen were set free on \$10,- silence. But the committee hopes 000 bond each. Frothing at the to be able to gain sufficient inmouth, Musmanno insisted that fluence to see that not all our cratic candidate for Lieutenant bond of no less than \$100,000 be Governor, the notorious Judge set on Nelson. This was done overnight.

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Is Everybody Happy?



Vice President Alben W. Barkley is shown smiling as he receives some papers from Leslie Biffle, secretary of the Senate, just before the 81st Congress recessed. Speaking of the police state law enacted by Congress, Barkley said: "It has worked out to the satisfaction of all concerned. The President has his veto and the country has the bill."

The dispute came to a head a week ago when President Delwin meeting that Hudson was refusing CERTIFIED FOR BALLOT

By Ben Stone N. Y. State Campaign Manager

The N. Y. Secretary of State has notified the Socialist Workers Party that it has been officially certified for the ballot in the Nov. 7 State elections. The SWP will appear

fifth on the ballot - Row E, headng the list of "independent"

The SWP is the only party on the ballot in New York listed as SOCIALIST: The SWP candidates trip him up with that devastating urge all New York voters who objection about things being wish to register their protest worse in Russia. Before Bartell against war and capitalism and could unwind his stopper about their desire for peace and social- the crimes of Stalinism being no ism to vote straight Socialist excuse for the crimes of Big Busi-

The SWP has received a most shouting back at the hecklers and encouraging reception in the elec- expressing their sympathy with tion campaign so far. When weplants down tight on Sept. 26 launched our campaign, some of our well-wishers feared we might best crowds and one of the best have unusual difficulties in face of discussions we have seen for the rabid war-mongering filling many a street-speaking season. the press and radio. However, it After a long question period, a turned out that this propaganda large group of workers continued reflects the cold - blooded war a lively discussion. plans of the ruling oligarchy much model. It even granted an addi-jof the working people.

the other day in Brownsville, a thickly - populated working class UAW denounced the strike as speakers' platform in a threaten-'irresponsible" and directed the ing manner. The crowd proved work. It also threatened to send left in short order. In a little

sailor beat a hasty retreat. Again, in the garment area where thousands of workers stand on the "People's Choice" proment chiseling and violating the around on the sidewalks during technicalities about "not abiding of New York's population. Michael by contractual obligations" have Bartell, SWP candidate for Gov- and other broadcasts. troops in Korea with the claims year to give us a hand in the of the propagandists that Truman campaign. We can sure use help! Many Hudson workers are today is bringing democracy to the And don't forget to register so

undemocratic the Jim Crow system is in the United States. Several people in the crowd heckled the speaker, trying to ness, several young Negroes were

the speaker. This meeting had one of the

We have had similar exmore than it does the sentiments periences at other meetings. People indicate their interest by buy-A revealing incident occurred ing literature and giving us their names for further information about the SWP and its meetings. section of Brooklyn. A young Visitors are coming up to the sailor drove by our street meet- N. Y. Local headquarters at 116 ing and yelled, "Why don't you University Place as a direct result to back to Russia?" With this of the street meetings. Two young The company's arrogance was brilliant opening he got out of his workers have already expressed explained when the International car and advanced toward the their intention to join the Socialist Workers Party.

Seven street corner meetings officers to order the men back to hostile to him, however, and he have already been held in Brownsville, the Negro community in while he returned with reinforce- Harlem, the garment area of midments in the form of a cop who Manhattan, and the Jewish community on the lower East Side. Twelve more outdoor meetings will be held in the next three weeks of the campaign.

A series of six radio broadcasts is scheduled over station WNEW gram. (See schedule on Page 1.) Negotiations are also under way candidates over Station WPIX

Once again we urge all those who want to vote Socialist this judging the International officers Korean people. He dwelt on this that you can pull that lever on point strongly, describing how Row E. Vote Socialist.

'Progressives' Are Still Aiding Boss Candidates

SWP Candidate for Governor of Michigan

DETROIT, Oct. 3 — Deserted by its right wing, unable to attract workers, its Negro and youth supporters rapidly falling away, the Progressive Party of Michigan

has become a skeleton. All that 3 party remains true to itself, rigidly adhering to its unprincipled program. This picture was revealed here

last weekend at the party's convention to nominate candidates for the fall elections. From a spirited state convention of 2,000 in 1948, the Progressive Party could only draw 110 people in ers" it once held are no longer around — the convention did not bother to set up a labor committee. Financially, it is no better only \$544 in cash and pledges for the state campaign.

As though to mock this reality, the pianist kept playing the tune "Every New Day We Grow Stronger," but the audience failed to become inspired - the benches were too empty. To avoid adding evils." to the gloom, nobody mentioned the desertion of their hero, Wallace; only former Governor Elmer Benson of Minnesota referred to "a few people having left us."

But these are not the only troubles of the party. A left wing has now arisen that challenges the Stalinists. Made up of honest clements who believe their party's contention that the Democratic and Republican Parties belong lock, stock and barrel to Big Business, they are against supporting politicians of these parties. But the Stalinists, still hopeful for a deal between Truman and Stalin, are willing to aid "friendly"

The fight broke into the open over the nominations committee report. Only two candidates for for state treasurer. The other four imperialism and the Stalinist

remains are its diehard Stalinists | ernor, were not to be contested. and a few bedfellows. But the Line opvious back-nanged support to Democratic Governor Soapy Williams, millionaire neir to the mennen shaving cream fortune, maunted the party's own denunciation of Williams' support of "supversive" laws that would make Michigan a police state.

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Delegate after delegate took the floor to oppose the proposition. Said one: "Why should we put a 1950. Even the few labor "lead- fellow like Hitler in?" Another said: "Williams was on the same platform with Cobo (anti-labor mayor of Detroit). They're for the industrialists. Let's get the off - a half-hour harangue netted truth to the people, let's run against Williams, let's not support demagogues." A third stated: "There have been a few heads of strikers cracked while Soapy was governor. I want to give people a chance to vote for a principle - not the lesser of two

But after several rank-andfilers had talked against the report, the steamroller got into action. By the time the dust had leared, even those who had fought the committee report were so intimidated that they did not vote. The opposition was crushed.

Hence the Progressive Party oday a disappearing shell 🛶 maintains its unprincipled program: It talks against the capitalist Democratic and Republican Parties, but supports their candidates in elections. It denounces Truman, but supports the Trumanites. It talks against "concentration camp laws" but votes for the supporters of these laws. Such is its domestic program. What else can you expect from a party whose main aim, cloaked state offices were proposed: one in "anti-war" talk, is a reacfor secretary of state and another tionary deal between American offices, including that of gov- bureaucracy in the Soviet Union?

'Purge' Trials Are Terrible Danger to UAW in Flint

By Genora Johnson Dollinger

SWP Candidate for Congress, 6th Mich. District

FLINT, Sept. 25 - A campaign to carry out a "loyalty" purge has begun in the two largest UAW-CIO locals in Flint. Several members of the Buick local brought

cnarges against Berry Blass. ingame on the ground of "conduct | such by the corporation - conunbecoming a union member" and trolled press, the vigilante Flint alleged membership in the Com- Alliance and the capitalist polimunist Party. The trial procedure ticians of the Democratic and was resorted to following the Republican parties. The CIO was union's success in forcing Buick victorious and the union was to rehire Blassingame after firing firmly established in Flint because him for alleged violations of shop the workers repudiated redbait-

workers petitioned for trial pro- parties. cedure against a worker in Plant 6 on the grounds of "conduct unbecoming a union member."

Even a superficial examination of these two incidents reveals from his home, getting into fist that behind these moves is a reek- fights in the plant, etc. Of the ing alliance of the GM Corporation, the FBI, leading members of document, many never saw the the Democratic Party and some charges and the trial committee innocent conservative workers has not been able to learn who is prejudice. They are attempting to flimsy that many workers repurge the local unions of mem- fused to press the charges when bers who hold any ideas of changing the capitalist system, who committee was interested in facts. entertain legitimate criticisms of on the job or off.

was heralded and anticipated by FBI has been trying to work up a an anti-red resolution submitted union purge by putting out scare by an unscrupulous leader of the announcements about Stalinist Democratic Party machine, Jacob Waldo. This individual, who keeps here. But the top union officers, a paid-up membership in the insteading of combatting these union but is long out of the shop, dangers, bear heavy responsibility is a notorious redbaiter. He is for encouraging them by advising considered by many to hold the the workers to bring workers up leadership of the local Democratic on charges rather than throw Party machine in his hip pocket. them off their jobs physically. After submitting his resolution to the Local Executive Board, where it was passed, he proceeded to run for the trial committee and strong as a result of its policy of was elected an alternate.

At Chevrolet local an impartial committee has been elected consisting of honest union members

ing and welcomed all the help In Chevrolet Local 659, 115 they could get from the radical

In the Chevrolet local the defendant is charged with violating company shop rules, "subversive activities," getting evicted 115 workers who signed this hose minds are filled with racial its author. The evidence was so it became apparent that the trial

These trials can have far-reachthe International Union, or who ing consequences in the UAW. All attempt to practice racial equality | too many reactionaries are utilizing the red hysteria for their own The trial procedure at Buick foul purposes. For months the "infiltration" of the GM plants

They don't seem to know or care that these moves undermine the unity of the UAW which grew no discrimination because of race, creed, color or political beliefs. Forgetting how easily any opposition can be smeared as "red," who are interested in delving to they are helping the corporations recall the early beginnings of the against production worker, con-UAW in Flint. During the sit- servatives against members of downs all of the leaders with few other political parties. The union