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E. German Rising Vast in Scope, Reports Disclose

The inspiring East German uprising stands forth as one of the greatest working-class revolutionary struggles ever waged in Western Europe. In a territory of only 18 million people, more than two million workers partici-

pated directly and actively in a inist regime.

These world-shaking facts emerge from the fuller picture and police proved unreliable and we can now piece together of the incapable of "restoring order." events that began on June 16 in East Berlin. They are confirmed by admissions made by the Grotewhol regime itself and its newspapers and press agency, as well as eye-witness reports in the ward its own far-reaching politworld press that bear the stamp ical, as well as economic, de-of authenticity. From these same mands. sources other facts of major political importance have been ver-

While the East German rulers hastily promised concessions and reforms at the height of the struggle, the advance of the pol-

Hawaii Smith Act Victims Get Fines, 5 Years in Prison

After a seven-months trial, the longest in Hawaii's history, heavy prison sentences and fines were imposed upon the "Hawaii Seven" the day before the Fourth land have published accounts that of July. Jack W. Hall, regional director of the Int'l Longshoremen's a n d Warehousemen's Union in Hawaii, and his six codefendants were convicted under burg, Halle, Rostock, Warnemuenthe Smith "Gag" Act of "conspir- de, Rathenow, Jena. Stalinstadt

of Appeals in San Francisco con- Nachterstedt, Stralsund, Gotha, sents to consider an appeal, the seven will begin to serve out their prison terms on July 24.

Recognizing the witch - hunt trial as an attack upon organized labor, 27,000 longshore and sugarplantation workers engaged in the greatest strike action Hawaii larger cities: ever saw the day after the conever saw the day after the convictions of the seven on June 19. The protest strike lasted four general strike. On June 17, belies to Rhee if he continued to the continued to the continued to the protest strike lasted four general strike. On June 17, belies to Rhee if he continued to the continued to the continued to the continued to the protest strike lasted four general strike. On June 17, belies to Rhee if he continued to the continued to the

nored the protests of the demon- were dispersed only by Soviet strators and handed down max- tanks and thousands of elite Soimum prison sentences of five viet troops. On June 19, the East years each to six of the defen- Berlin radio was still pouring dants plus \$5,000 fines. One wom- out appeals for support to to the an among the accused was given government. Streetcorner loudthree years and a \$2,000 fine.

band for each defendant from quietly take up the tools of his \$7,500 to \$15,000, stating that if daily labor" - thus, revealing they leave his jurisdiction he will that workers were still striking. increase the bonds to \$25,000.

titanic general strike that par- itical revolution was halted prialyzed virtually all industry, min-ing and transport. Several hun-and iron." Scores of thousands dred thousands in west fighting of workers were arrested. Untold demonstrations in ko, cities attacked government buildings, disarred police, opened jails. They retreated only in the face of the Kremlin's tanks and machineguns that took over defense of guns that took over defense of source tests German Stal
The tottering East German Stal
The tottering Ea several armored divisions, called out when the East German army

The uprising was wholly working-class in character, hostile to the capitalist West German regime as well as the Stalinist East German dictatorship. It put for-

Any impression conveyed by the American capitalist press hat the West German Adenauer regime and its U. S. imperialist sponsors are elated by the East German events is false. Information is leaking out that the Adenauer regime actually was thrown into consternation by the working class uprising on its border and urged the East German workers to tone down their actions. Shrewd on-the-spot U. S. commentators are issuing warnings about the "danger" to the tiations. U. S. position in the East Ger-

The ADN, official East German news agency, and governmentcontrolled East German newspapers like the Neues Deutschadmit major struggles in the following 38 industrial cities and towns in East Germany:

East Berlin, Leipsig, Magdeing one of his victim's during a hearing of his Senate investigatde, Rathenow, Jena, Stalinstadt ing subcommittee, McCarthy asing to teach and advocate" the on Oder, Kalbe, Brandenburg, serted: "violent overthrow" of the U. S. Niemegk, Belzig, Stassfurt, "I the overnment.
Unless the ninth U. S. Court Chemnitz, Doebernitz, Potsdam, greatest patriots of all time. He tect the rights of his country. I Camburg, Dresden, Erfurt, Gera, think Rhee is absolutely right." Wismar, Nordhausen, Goerlitz, Saalfeld, Unterwellenborn, Lucking Republican leader of the Senenwalde, Quelenberg, Merseberg, ate, William F. Knowland, who Thale, Freital and Tharandt. two days earlier had stated on

Space permits only a brief review of events in several of the larger cities:

ANDITY OF THE PROPERTY OF THE

larger cities:
East Berlin: Several hundred a united Korea." He added that The protest strike lasted four general strike. On June 17, beplies to Rhee if he continued ween 50,000 and 100,000 waged Judge Jon Wiig, however, ig- bloody pitched street battles and speakers pleaded: "It is the pat-The judge then doubled the riotic duty of every citizen to

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SWP Launches Drive For Fund of \$18,000

By Farrell Dobbs

National Secretary, Socialist Workers Party

to raise an \$18,000 Party Building and Publication Fund by Sept. 15. The campaign was proposed by the National Committee of the SWP at its?

ported in the June 8 issue of enough for the American work-The Militant. Since then, sug- ers, still another faces them gested quotas have been accept- the menace of a new depression ed by the branches and locals of that might well be worse than the party in various cities and that of the thirties. Only revolcontributions have already been utionary socialism can open up coming in. (See scoreboard on the road to a new type of society

The purpose of the fund is to ress, is assured help finance the ambitious prog- To get the socialist program to ram of activities adopted by the the workers and thus arm them

so acute as today. Millions of power is arrayed against us. workers and their allies are becoming increasingly uneasy about done. Newsprint and ink is one has developed an effective prog- willing and able to stand up gle against fascism.

Similarly, the danger of an-

meeting in May which was re- As if these problems were not in which peace, plenty and prog-

National Committee at its May for effective struggle against the stage in the revolutionary workpowerful opposing forces requires It was the opinion of the Com- intensive effort as well as great mittee that the need for extra- determination and self-sacrifice. ordinary efforts to broadcast the The whole capitalist class with

But the job can and must be the menace of McCarthyism, for of the main means. The other is instance. But up to now no one construction of a fighting party ram for fighting this ominous against the best the capitalist whole world political situation. trend except the revolutionary have. Considerable strides have The emergence of the most classsocialists who have available the already been taken in this work, conscious, compact and experiencvast experience of the interna- as the 25-year history of the ed section of the European work- with the monstrous Stalinist bu- Stalinism; that the masses be-

Workers Party attests.

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front of attempts being made to

block a truce in Korea, it is false

to put the blame on him alone.

He is getting strong support and

encouragement from powerful

political forces in this country

in the same party as the Presi-

dent of the United States. More-

over, the suspicion is becoming

widespread that top U. S. mili-

tary brass in the Far East have

connived with Rhee in his move

to blow up the cease-fire nego-

Senator Joseph McCarthy, most

notorious of the Senate "heresy'

hunters, has again spoken out on behalf of the bloody little

South Korean dictator and hailed

Rhee's actions which threaten to

prolong and expand the war that

has already cost the American

people nearly 140,000 casualties

On July 7, in the midst of bait-

"I think Rhee is one of the

s doing a tremendous job to pro-

McCarthy was echoing the act-

ight after a truce was made be

tween the U.S. and the Chinese-

Along with the Knowland-Mc-

Carthy block here at home in

Congress, the U.S. military com-

be pressing him to agree to the

truce terms apparently approved

by the U.S. and accepted by the

More than one American news-

observed the strange behavior of

the U.S. military leaders in per-

mitting the South Korean Army

000 North Korean prisoners of

war preliminary to carrying out

these prisoners and thereby pro-

tiated truce agreement on ex-

change of war captives.

voke a breach in the long-fiego-

Henry S. Hayward, Chief Far

to place 20,000 guards over 27,- pany.

paper correspondent in Korea has last June 26 when the Air Force

Chinese and North Koreans.

North Korean leaders.

trayals will be overcome.

Like all great political events message of socialism was never its colossal wealth and vast ism, is the most important event has been brilliantly illuminated, fraud. since the victory of the Chinese all political forces and ideas shadowy appearances are dispelled and the direction of the work-

ers struggle becomes clear.

SHATTERING BLOW other world war, waged this time this aim. We are likewise con- wide revolutionary upsurge. The capitalists and the labor bureau-

DETROIT, July 6 _ Frank savings because of layoffs at the plagued with unemployment, rent

ed Auto Workers Union which Business in its dealings with and agencies. Many of them live in

was launched simultaneously with through government than the Norwayne and Willow Run hous-

the closing of the huge Willow present smear campaign directed ing projects. Their rents should

Run plant here. The plant closed against the CIO United Auto be remitted during the period of Workers Union.

ser Motor Company aircraft con-

tracts of the Kaiser Motor Com- tracts because of alleged prohib- to cover their rent for the period

The abrupt closing of the plant Run plant. And the blame for ployment benefits must be raised

threw 12,000 workers off their the high labor costs is laid upon to a minimum of \$60 per week

public-housing projects. Further lutely nothing to do with the from government puppets of the

eral Public Housing Administra- represents them. Such charges the period of the emergency.

been barraged by propaganda dent revolutionary struggle.

increases, and a partial tie-up of

their meagre savings without be-

ing told by some arrogant burea-

idences should receive cash relief

"The useemly attack upon

these workers as 'loafers,' coming

big auto bosses in this city, is

characteristic of the attitude and

Stalinist regime is the capitalist Stalinism, workers in America Instead of weakening the global enemy with its interventionist will see that the true aim of main law of permanent revoluanticapitalist camp the East Ger- designs. Consequently the most Wall Street in its war preparaman workers have pointed the powerful aid the workers in the tions is to smash this indepenonly road to the irrevocable vic- capitalist countries could give the dent upsurge. It will become clear tory of the socialist revolution. valiant East German workers is that Wall Street fears the inde-(3) American workers have to develop their own indepen-

The East German workers decomrades and denounce the brutal

As the workers in the Soviet bloc deal blow after blow against able force and strikingly so in pendent revolutionary action of the masses under any conditions. What American Big Business wants is to take over Eastern Europe for capitalist exploitation, replacing one police force by

play into the hands of the war- fate of humanity knows it must heart of Europe, directed against workers movement against their In the first place they drama- counter-revolutionary actions of independent movement of the

U.S. Connivence Seen in Rhee's "Heresy" Drive Hits Moves to Blow Up Korea Truce Liberal Ministers of **Largest Church Group**

America's liberal Protestant clergymen, leaders of congregations totalling 35 million members, have become the latest target for the Congressional witch-hunters and character assassins. The search for political heretics and

dissenters, which began with former President Truman's "loyalty" purge among government employees in 1947, has now become so sweeping and aggressive that t dares to attack the leaders of he largest religious grouping in he country.

This attempt to intimidate liberal Protestant ministers and smear them as "Communists" or "fellow travellers" is being made both by the McCarthyites in the Senate and by the House Un-

Sen. Joseph McCarthy grabbed the main spotlight as usual, through his appointment of J. B. Matthews as \$11,600-a-year executive director of McCarthy's Senate Permanent Subcommittee the courage to speak out in reon Investigations after the American Mercury magazine pubished an article by Matthews which three Democratic members

American clergy." thews's article, "Reds and Our Churches," in the July issue of the Mercury, claimed: "The larg-lic histeria." est single group suporting the

of Protestant clergymen." had served "the Kremlin's con-

MINISTER FURIOUS

This blanket smear - a brazen nvention on the face of it - has aroused large numbers of Protestant ministers, particularly those associated with the National Council of Churches of Christ in America, the liberal wing of Protestantism with 35million members. They have been furious in their denunciation of the witch-hunters' attack against them and have demanded the firing of Matthews.

A majority of McCarthy's own committee, three Democrats and a Republican, have called for the removal of Matthews because they fear possibly unfavorable political repercussions among the

Lauds Resistance To Witch Hunters

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ity in our nation who disapprove the un-American methods" of the witch hunt to "repudiate those methods publicly and completely," headed by Representative Harold AFL president George Meany denounced "the 'witch hunt' spirit radiating from the nation's capital" in his lead editorial of the June issue of The American Fed-

erationist. Meany lauded the "individuals and organizations that have had cent weeks against the creeping hysteria which has afflicted the American way of life."

which three Democratic members of McCarthy's own committee denounced as "a shocking and unwarranted attack against the anwarranted attack against the is much more to fear," he added, "from the subversion of Amer-The first sentence of Mat- ican principles of justice and fair

Communist apparatus in the million AFL workers who are a United States today is composed greater "authority in our nation" than any number of government Matthews further lied that "at officials if Meany's words are least 7,000" Protestant clergymen translated into action. The first step should be defense of all witch-hunt victims, including the 'Communists.



contempt of the auto barons for the workers who produce their Protestant majority and the disthe U. S. command was not en-(Continued on Page 2) nounced that it was forced to workers at Willow Run are fabulous profits." (See other articles on page 4.) fabulous profits." GEORGE MEANY (Continued on page 3) Beginning of End for Stalinism

Mr. Lovell's statement follows: crats in Washington that they

"There never was a more callous are responsible for their present

graft and corruption of Big consideration from all federal

"The Air Force cancelled Kai- Those who live in private res-

itive labor costs at the Willow of unemployment. General unem-

By Murry Weiss

The uprising of the East Gerers struggle, heralding the berevolution against Chiank Kai- stand out in sharper focus,

The heroic struggle of the East German workers has changed the of the revolutionary socialists, make it in the way everyone ing position. The eruption of a hollow falsehood.

man everyone ing position. The eruption of a hollow falsehood.

genuinely concerned about the general strike in the industrial (2) The Stalinists smear every lie too.

Lovell, Michigan State Chairman plant.

and candidate for Mayor in the

coming Detroit City election, to-

up Rhee's hand while seeming to smear campaign against the Unit- cynical attempt to cover up the

suddenly cancelled aircraft con-

of the Socialist Workers Party TEXT OF STATEMENT

mand in the Korea-Japan area coming Detroit City election, of a more appears to be cunningly holding day denounced the government disregard of facts nor a more plight.

"These workers deserve every

Rhee's open threat to release jobs. At the same time the Fed- the workers and the union that to cover family food costs for

tion increased rents by 10% in fly in the face of what everyone

the Norwayne and Willow Run knows. These workers had abso-

financial difficulties faced the management of the plant. That

be done - in full and on time. the Kremlin, has shown in life bureaucratic tyranny as aid and tically revealed the mighty power the Stalinist regime. The work- workers against all their

where the genuine revolutionary comfort to the capitalists. This of the industrial workers in the ers of West Germany, and the pressors will merge and become leadership of the anti-capitalist lie too was exploded in East Ger- Soviet orbit -a power that while U.S. in particular, should reincamp will come from and how many. Far from aiding Wall remaining steadfastly anti-capi- force the demand of the East man workers, announcing a new Stalinist misleadership and be- Street, the rise of the German talist will rid the revolution of German workers with a powerful workers has reinforced the so- its bureaucratic traitors and campaign for the immediate withcialist revolution everywhere. It usurpers. Secondly, the events drawal of all American troops the East German general strike has deprived the capitalists of underlined the fact that the most from Europe. tary-police dictatorship of Stalinsons. The whole political arena weapons—the "liberation crusade" workers struggle against the

(1) The "theory" that the workers revolution is identical against the monopolists will help with the with the monopolists will help with the monopolists wi tional working class in the strug- movement behind the Socialist ing class in open combat with reaucracy has received a shatter- hind the "iron curtain" are mere manded the withdrawal of Kremthe Stalinist armed forces adds ing blow. This theory is held in passive slaves of the Kremlin lin troops. The Stalinists res-We are confident of success in a qualitative weight to the world- common by the Stalinists, the who will permit themselves to be nonded with tanks, executions and used to erslave the workers of mass arrests. The demand of the with atomic weapons that can fident that readers of The Mili- turbulent rise of colonial revolu- crats. Wall Street propaganda all countries; and that therefore East German workers must be reduce whole cities to radioactive tant will join us in these efforts tion since the end of World War describes the world-wide anti- the workers must maintain peace given unreserved support by the ashes, hangs like a dark cloud and do everything possible to II put world capitalism on the capitalist revolution as a product with their enemies at home in world working class. Every work- struggle of the workers in a caover America. Yet all proposals help them along. The immediate defensive and placed this out of Kremlin "push-button" war- the interest of fighting the main er, particularly those in the Comto meet this danger except those goal is \$18,000 by Sept. 15. Let's moded economic system in a los- fare. This is now revealed as a enemy in Moscow. The East Ger- munist parties, must join in selman events have punctured this idarity with their East German

The independent struggle of the German workers against minated military clique in Boli-Stalinism does not help capitalism, just as the independent Stalinism. In the world-wide clash of the two class camps (the workers and the capitalists,) the

PERMANENT REVOLUTION

(4) Everywhere today the laws of the permanent revolution, formulated by Leon Trotsky, are asserting themselves with inexortion states that the social revolution of this epoch is anti-capitalist in character and that the leading and driving force in this revolution is the working class. Notwithstanding the manner in which the revolution beginswhether as a peasant revolt in China, or as a civil war against the Nazi occupation in Yugoslavia or as a liberal bourgeois overthrow of a Wall Street-dovia, or as a Stalinist-managed bureaucratic-military social transonce begun, this revolution must continue to develop and unfold until by bringing the workers to the head of the revolution it has

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SHAME OF CHICAGO AROUSES CITY-WIDE STORM OF PROTEST

By Hilda Smith

The shame of Chicago — her slums — exposed in the Daily News articles, has raised a city-wide uproar. In response to demands that something be done, 30 civic organizations have announced a joint plan to fight for the off by the May 30 decree. On as a base year. end of the slums.

Plank 1 of their program deals with the breakdown of the city's law enforcement machinery against slummaking. There is some real steam behind this. The creeping pestilence of the slums has got out of hand and is threatening adjoining property values. Plank 2, neighborhood conservation, preservation of areas on the verge of slum decay, is also a property-protecting measure. Plank 3 is just a gesture toward the real solution — "to encourage the development of an adequate supply of new housing." "To encourage" costs nothing.

There will probably be some action on the first two planks. The threat to property and profits is real. But how much action is another question. About eight years ago another Chicago newspaper also created a big outcry by a graphic exposure of slum conditions. Some steps were taken then to remedy some abuses. Today, the problem ements. But it also changed the Czechoslovak Pioneer Mines, the here!" is not only still here - it is many times worse.

The slum problem is as old as industrial capitalism. It is the shame of the cities and company towns everywhere. Nowhere in the world has capitalism ever provided adequate housing for its workers. In its beginning, capitalism took them off the land and crowded them into pensate for the abolition of the ance of the state discipline. . . " stinking ghettos where miserable living conditions, added cheap rationed market. The re- (Rude Pravo, June 5.) to backbreaking toil, sapped their health and vitality. Today's slums continue in this tradition. In overcrowded, unsanitary conditions, juvenile delinquency, narcotic addiction — like the rats — breed prolifically. Blighted surroundings cause blighted lives, and crime marches abreast with the march of the slums.

There has been a perennial outcry against these con- The June 19 Pravda, Soviet news- and Warnow - Werft yards in Justice Minister Max Fechner, newspaper and no radio station ditions from liberal, civic-minded people. But the slums paper, inadvertently disclosed are the source of big profits for their owners. Champions of "free enterprise" are uncompromising in their hostility to any public housing program. Low rental housing for "All Berlin enterprises, includthe workers, built with public funds, would cut into their ing government and municipal steel plants at Stalinstadt on five summary executions after lush profits from speculative real estate values and extortionate rents.

The record makes it safe to predict that the Chicago slum dwellers will be sadly disillusioned if they expect any real alleviation of their misery from city authorities, no matter how much heat is put on by civic groups. Their real concern is the preservation of real estate values held by landlords in areas adjoining the slums — not the welfare of the slum dwellers.

The workers in the slums will get only what they are thetic-rubber works were shut. prepared to fight for. But to fight they must have organization and for organization they need help. This help an inmate of the prison who had should come from workers organizations. Many of the been recaptured, revealed that a slum dwellers are members of organized labor or friends crowd had stormed and broken road station for several hours, ties of the Kremlin's terror. and neighbors of union members.

The Chicago Industrial Council, CIO, praised the had a pre-war population of 335,-Paily News articles and in a resolution pledged its "full 000, was the scene of bitter batcooperation" to "any drive or campaign to get full enforcement of the building standards here.'

The Chicago Federation of Labor, AFL, praised the sands of other workers, went on (Stalinist) Party adopted a res-freight trains in rail yards in 20, in Munich in the Daily News expose, stating, "The Daily News articles eloquently echo warnings of organized labor and other groups who have taken a long look at the city's slums political prisoners. They retired by the party and the governand have called for action."

Promises of cooperation and calls for action are commendable but unless implemented will amount to "buck passing." If organized labor is really concerned about the ficial East German sources restores as well as murderous ashealth and living conditions of its members and the work- ported. Attorney General Ernst saults on functionaries of the magazine, German and Allied almost completed buried. ing class in general, it is up to them to initiate organized action. The unions, more than any other group, have the forces and the means to organize these abused tenants and to work out a fighting program to force the unscrupulous landlords to at least live up to the letter of the law.

A large section of the most abused slum tenants are Negroes. The officials of the NAACP and the Urban League have also expressed much moral indignation and poured out on the streets in this demanded more and better laws and law enforcement. But city of over 700,000, where the their moral indignation amounts to nothing unless backed the Western business men in atup by concrete steps to alleviate conditions. They also tendance. According to the accan prove their worth to their people by taking the initia- count of one young worker who during which the strikers refused tive in organizing them into a fighting tenants league.

As an initial step the unions and the Negro organizations could assist the tenants in such concrete steps as in East Berlin the day before. withholding the payment of rent to the landlords - put- Workers from nearly all the big ting the money in escrow - until all legal requirements factories took part. They joined concerning repairs, etc. are complied with and reasonable adjustments made on the outrageously high rents. They could lead protest movements to put the heat on the man Youth office and the prison. Mayor, Aldermen and city inspectors. They could assist in taking flagrant cases to court. Such actions would help pave the way to a more basic solution — construction of adequate housing with public funds.

The slum problem is a big one and a pressing one. Only class solidarity will be effective in the fight for the human rights of these workers. The Socialist Workers Party appeals to the AFL and the CIO and the Negro organizations From this moment on, through- man Minister-President Otto to work out a program and implement it with a fighting put all Leipzig there was wild Grotewohl himself and then were organization of the tenants. Otherwise, as in the past, the plight of the slum dwellers will soon be forgotten when the public uproar dies down.

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Czech Workers Win Concessions

By Charles Hanley

Czechoslovakia's Stalinist regime reversed its week-old punsession on July 6. This retreat of Europe in the face of mounting workers struggles. It is the latest that day the Stalinist rulers protests, demonstrations and prelude to the general strike in East Germany.

The Stalinist government kept the monetary "reform" a secret until May 30. Yet the Czech peoile suspected something was up; and at the end of May an unprecedented rush on consumer goods

May 30, effective June 1, dealt a hard blow to the remaining unions. capitalist and petty-bourgeois elfood and clothing rationing, and boda, June 6.) reducing prices to one-fifth their former level. This does not com- their primary task - mainten- workers at the "Autopal" plant man had left,

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Magdeburg particularly, and des-

Other strikes revealed by the

Stalinist press were those of po-

troyed court records.

fled reprisal:

struck a slashing blow at the so actively protested the reform, some of them. workers' standard of living by devaluating the currency. The demonstrations started as Another eye witness, a Gerdevaluating the currency. The The demonstrations started as workers responded by widespread announced. Their main centers Czecholosvakia to West Germany, jured May 31 when 150 persons were the industrial areas of Pil- June 8, said that Prague was heavily damaged the party buildstrikes. This movement was the sen (Skoda Works) and Ostrava blocked by troops and in a state ing and broke all its windows. (mines and factories.)

> and other Stalinist leaders, and regime. the Soviet flag were "disgraced" Pilsen, June 5.)

(Rude Pravo, Prague, June 9.) The Monetary Reform Act of "there were even protests" and calm the workers down, the lat- on June 2.

workers' situation to their dis- iron workers of the Bohum Iron advantage by reducing wages and Works and of the Stalingrad salaries to one-fifth their former Iron Works in Liskoveo sent on May 30 and shouts were heard, have anything to with that any level, discontinuing the system of protest delegations. (Nova Avo-

"Some (Communists) forgot

less working discipline by mak- miners of the Ostrava pits went street-car employees, mainly con- explains why no firearms were is a measure of the situation and ing the workers completely de- on strike from May 30 to June ductors and women employees, re- used in Pilsen, Cheb, As, Chomu- the degree of workers' pressure tive decree against workers ab- pendent on fulfilling high quotas 4 and that a local Army unit fused to report for the morning tov, and other towns in Western that such a hasty about-face was senteeism at a special cabinet that had the effect of lengthen- refused to force the miners to shift on June 4. Machinery was Czechoslovakia. ing the working day. The exact work. Finally, Stalinist plant mi- damaged at the Lenin Skoda drop in real wages after the re- litia from the entire vicinity were Works in Pilsen, June 1, but form is 9.7 points, figured ac- summoned. The militia used their work was resumed when 27 arcording to the official 1937 in- weapons and killed three miners. rested workers returned to work lice seemd to have occurred. episode in the struggle touched dex, or 10.8% if 1952 is taken Several miners were arrested. The June 2. miners defended themselves This is why the Czech workers against the militia and wounded

Pictures of Stalin, Gottwald and full of hatred against the but released in the late after-

President Zapotocky admitted Party." He was wildly applauded, the monetary reform on June 1 demanded a purge of the trade-unions. ter shouted: "Keep your big In the Tonak Works in Novy mouth shut! You get paid for do-Jicin. Moravia, a well-known

in Novy Jicin voiced similar sen-

A refugee reported that the In Prague, more than 400 in many places. This probably depicted in the reports above. I

Four hundred people freed a by police.

In Jaromerice near Jevicko, two Stalinist were seriously inof siege, the workers in an uproar Seventeen persons were arrested noon of the same day. Police were A strike took place at the not able to dominate the situain the Pilsen Town Hall. (Pravda, Tatra Works in Koprivice (10,000 tion until the following day. In employees,) May 30 and June 1. the brick factory of Velke Po-Ostrava steel workers rioted. One worker stated: "We trust povice 93 workers failed to reneither the Government nor the port for work in protest against in a major address, June 10, that When Stalinist officials tried to and 62 did not report for work

The miners of Vaclav Zofie, ing nothing anyhow! Get out of Stalinist came to the Party Secretariat, threw his membership The 1,500 workers of the Tonak book at the Party Secretary and Works in Ostrava stopped work said: "Take it! I don't want to "The Communist Party has de-longer." The party functionaries ceived us. We don't trust it any who were present were so upset longer," Some 3,000 striking that they recovered only after the

> Security officials were embarrassed, discontented and passive

> removed from the middle-class

Government of Bonn and their

organization has no connections

with the West . . . preferring to

follow its own line in pursuit of

That is why, instead of urging

on the struggle, the Adenauer

regime, as revealed in a Bonn

dispatch on June 28 in the N.Y

Of course, the U. S. negotia-

in position to start the fighting

all over again any time he may

wish. He unquestionably believed

that his Wall Street ally will

some to his rescue if he reopens

the war and starts to suffer

severe setbacks. So far, no U. S.

leader up to Eisenhower him-

self has indicated that the U.S.

will not back Rhee, even after a

truce, if his position is threat-

One of the ironies of the si-

ing his election campaign put

forward the idea of building up

the South Korean forces in order

to save American soldiers. But

the fact that Rhee now has at

and trained soldiers has become

a decisive factor in keeping 300,-

American

In Moravia and Slovakia, how-

after only one week) was design- of Stalinism - the uprisings of woman in Jihlava after her arrest ed to quell the growing militancy the working class spell the and resistance of the workers as bureaucracy's ultimate doom.

required.

Czechoslovakia's socialist moveever, serious incidents between ment is 75 years old. The tradithe demonstrators and armed po- tions of the workers, the spirit of workers democracy will prove The decree (which was reversed to be stronger than the tyranny

German Revolt -Beginning of the

(Continued from page 1)

East Germany, like most of bureaucracy as a result of the military deals between the Kremlin and Washington at the end of World War II. The essential feature of these deals, was that in return for territorial concessions the Stalinists would ensure the continued existence of capitalism

Thus Eastern Europe came under the rule of the Kremlin as a result of a counter-revolutionary pact. In Eastern Europe the savage assault of the bureauare some of the bloodiest and vilest chapters in the long and treacherous history of Stalinism. The workers of East Europe will not easily forget or forgive these

The second phase opened with tunity and the signal for the the cold war of Wall Street East German uprising. against the Soviet Union. The Stalinists were compelled in the interests of defending their own will forge a chain, link by link, bureaucratic regime to destroy the power of the East European the rest of East Europe, the Socapitalists, to bring the economy viet Union and the entire world. and the social structure of these countries into line with that of the Soviet Union. The Stalinists carried through maintaining strict police repres-

ment of the workers. be prudent." It seems they realize deformation was made possible merous cities, organized the inability of world capitalism to intervene, since it was already zone, "10,000 persons rioted in front of the C & A Brenninkstaggering from the impact of meyer textile shop" and fought the colonial revolutionary up-composed of trade the ploice, according to a brief surge. blurb under a June 23 N. Y.

bureaucracy. The workers are izations pressing the revolution forward in the form of a political revol- ers vanguard into a revolutionary ntion against the Kremlin regime. Leninist party, that will organize anti-capitalist nature of the re- tory is the burning task of the volution, clarifying its aims and hour. The perspective opened up ridding it of the counter-revol- by the beginning of the political utionary Stalinist crust.

WORLD SIGNIFICANCE

(5) Another law of the perexpression in the East German forging the basis for such a party times, begining within one coun- repressions by the Stalinists, howtry, does not become complete ever ferocious, will not prevent until it has conquered power in this indispensable and unpostponthe basic strongholds of world able task from being realized. capitalism. The East German There is only one banner under events have a double significance in this respect. It is becoming can march, the banner of Trotsintertwined with the incipient political revolution of the workers in the Soviet Union proper, us for the Leninist rearmament and it is entering as a powerful force into the world-wide social revolution against capital-

In Russia the workers made a great revolution in October 1917 through their own democratic organs of struggle, the Soviets, the the burning of persons, persons trade unions and the Bolshevik who might have in their minds party. Subsequently, they suf- the ideas that are in the books." fered the growth of an omnipo- He forgot to mention that the tent bureaucracy as a result of witch hunters have already bethe prolonged isolation of their gun to burn persons, the first revolution. Now the beginnings victims being the Rosenbergs.

of political revolution esolved all of its fundamental Europe provide an enormous stimulus to the working class of the Soviet Union and drastically East Europe, was placed under weaken the repressive capacity of the domination of the Stalinist the Soviet bureaucracy. And when the industrial Soviet working class, which has already shown distinct signs of awakening, join the workers of East Europe, the world revolution will be thrust forward with enormous power. In essence the events of East

Germany result from the death upheaval in the colonial world. Revolution in the colonies has shaken world capitalism to its policy of the Stalinists went foundations, but also precipitated through two phases. At first they a deep and irreparable crisis in sought "co-existence" with the the Stalinist world apparatus, enfeebled native capitalists. This The tight grip of the Kremlin of Europe and Asia has been weakened. In turn, this weakening has reinforced the factors of crisis within Russia, a crisis that was revealed and accelerated by the death of Stalin. It is this crisis of the Stalinist regime which has provided the oppor-

> The audacious advance of the East Berlin workers on June 16 with the unfolding revolution in

(6) The general strike was

this process, deeply rooted in the masses of East Germany. It was splendidly sion of any independent move- organized. Who were the leaders? A social revolution was thus ed the strike committees, which brought about by this "bastar- numbered thousands of members, dized" method. Such a monstrous coordinated the actions of nuby the extreme weakness of the storming of the prisons to free pacity in the face of the repressions? This workers vanguard is communist and socialist workers Now we see how the revolution who acted with splendid revoluin East Europe is breaking out tionary initiative despite the Staof the mangled and twisted forms linist and the Social Democratic imposed upon it by the Stalinist leadership of the workers organ-The regroupment of this work-

They are thereby deepening the the struggle and guide it to vicrevolution is thus the perspective of the reconstitution of the revolutionary socialist party of Lenin and Trotsky. The leaders of manent revolution is finding its the East German workers are events. The revolution of our in the heat of struggle. Brutal which such a revolutionary party kyism, the movement that today constitutes the organizing nucleof the working class.

> Mount Vernon, recently stated, "Burning of books is not far from

000 U. S. troops on the Korean fighting line suffering average casualties of 1,500 to 2,000 a

Soviet biologist Lysenko is being subjected to sharp attack in scientific circles in the USSR as a scientific monopolist who solves scientific problems by decree and hinders the development of young scientist.

Three days after Stalin's death, ysenko published a eulogy of Stalin in Pravda in which he sought to silence criticism of his theories of genetics by revealing

Attack Lysenko

casualties won't be continued, or for the first time that Stalin edity as party law.

BACK IN PRINT

Two Pamphlets by Leon Trotsky

WORLD UNEMPLOYMENT

THE REVOLUTION IN SPAIN

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also described the fighting at

Vast Scope of Anti-Stalinist Uprising Disclosed | Neptune shipyards at Rostock | was indicated by East German | leaders Warnemuende, soft-coal and ur- He admitted that more than 50,000 was capable of giving guidance policy was accompanied by the on the mass Communist parties institutions, have resumed normal

Halle: This important industrial and railroad center had a pre-war population of 220,000. ADN revealed that the giant tem. with 500,000 Reichsbahn Leuna synthetic gasoline plant, largest single industrial estab-(State Railway) employees inlishment in East Germany with 23,000 workers, was closed down and set on fire. The Buna synattacks on the railway system. At Unterwellenborn, At Goerlitz, Halle, Magdeburg, open the jail in Little Stone St. Gera, Stralsund, Saalfeld, Wis-Magdeburg: This city, which

Hennigsdorf.

onslaughts were made. tle. There, the 13,000 workers from the Thaelman machine tool olution promising reforms, which Berlin's eastern suburbs. lice, stormed the Halberstaede- admitted that dissident workers ter Strasse jail, and released the "believe they have been deserted only when Soviet tanks roared ment." This described the struginto the city and martial law was gle as "an uprising" with "at- joy at the East German developdeclared. Two workers were ex- tacks on food warehouses, apecuted by firing squads here, of prentices' homes, clubhouses and witness in the June 29 New Melsheimer of East Germany party, of mass organizations and complained that failure to re. of the state apparatus."

A woman strike leader, who lease many prisoners amnestied before the uprising was because the workers had broken into gov- the workers had broken into gov- the working on bar. U. S. CONNIVANCE SEEN the workers had broken into govracks construction, reported:

ernment buildings in some cities, "I told the Russian officers direct to their faces what our demands were. We demanded re-Leipzig: Scores of thousands duction of our work norms, release of arrested strikers, price reductions and a free vote in the election of public officials. After two days of fruitless argument, to return to their jobs, the Rus-"We struck on Thursday (June sians suddenly began arresting 18) after we heard of the events the strike leaders. About fifty were arrested, but I managed to

All other available reports of in a mass march against the Pothis type reveal that the workice headquarters, the propaganda ers combined political demands bureau, the Communist Free Gerwith economic and that none of their demands or slogans dis-"The People's Police were helpclosed the slightest sympathy less against the workers' attack. for the Bonn capitalist regime Many police were disarmed. The of West Germany or a desire for the U. S. forces to have rounded

propaganda bureau set afire. The denationalization of industries. youth office plundered. Then the These workers revealed little Russians moved in and without faith, however, in the Stalinist chine pistols and carbines into meeting where workers were prothe crowds of demonstrators, mised improvements by East Gershooting by Russians and Peo- asked for criticisms, one bolder ple's Police. We know personally worker got up and said: "If we two workers were shot to death criticize, we also must have asand twenty-three wounded. More surance that nothing will happen Soviet tanks were deployed to us." Another worker, at a throughout the city." The strike large machine factory in East was still on 36 hours later when Berlin, interrupted promises of concessions with a quotation Details of the struggle reveal- from Goethe: "The message I

ed in Neues Deutschland, which hear, but the faith fails me.' This lack of faith is well found-Jena as "drastic," told how the ed. Grotewhol revealed this when set fire to the pavilions of the would happen to those arrested Stalinist National Front, Society by saying that some could expect of German-Soviet Friendship and release "soon," but added that wrecked the Ernst Thaelman "the real culprits could naturally line. not express mercy."

The concessions offered serve, troops barracks at Zossen, the strous scale of these reressions Korea.

that at one stage the East Ber- anium-mine workers throughout ersons were under arrest for to the people. Only a few papers lin government had nearly been East Germany, the biggest silk actions against the government mentioned that the demonstrators cracy against the workers. These put out of action, when it claimed: factory at Rathenow, the Zeiss in the recent uprising. Official had issued a call for a general optical plant at Jena, the large reports admit, however, of only strike. For their part, the strikers Oder, Kalbe, Brandenburg and drum-head trials. But unconfirm-"did not call for help from or ed reports tell of 80 such exepraise the Western Allies, the One of the biggest facts un- cutions, more than half of them Bonn Government or any Westwittingly disclosed by the East East German police and soldiers, ern personalities," writes M. S. German press is that at one time and including 12 Soviet troops Handler, Berlin correspondent of virtually the entire railroad sys- who refused to fire on the crowds. the N. Y. Times. "By social origins the demonstrators were far

On June 25, the East German government admitted to 25 pervolved, was halted. The Soviet sons killed in the Soviet zone, occupation organ Taegliche Run- several under the treads of Rusdschau and the Communist Party sian tanks, and 378 injured, inpaper Neues Deutschland deplor- cluding 191 policemen. Seven ed on June 21 the "innumerable" other dead had been removed to West Berlin. We must consider "superior these figures as only a small sugforce" seized control of the rail- gestion of the number of casual-

Other evidences of this terror Times, responded to the uprising are the reports of mass deporta- by issuing "only a series of mar, and Lauchhammer similar tions. One describes a 125-car overly cautious statements and freight train loaded with political appeals to the East Germans to On June 22, trying to retrieve prisoners headed toward the Polits irreparably damaged position | ish border. The Russians, it was working-class struggles find their plant, joined by tens of thou- East Germany's Socialist Unity said, are concentrating similar imitators everywhere. On June capitalists in Eastern Europe and political prisoners, and displayed

The West German government showed more consternation than ments. As described by an eye-

REACTION OF ALLIES

Times picture. This information about what was going on in West Germany while the headlines Leader, a rabidly pro-imperialist shrieked about East Germany was

tirely displeased by Rhee's ac- tors might give such assurance, tion in releasing the prisoners. but it is clear that Rhee remains Hayward stated on July 7:

"The only other explanation for lack of prompt remedial action — and it is strictly speculative - is that U. S. leaders either were not as dismayed by the release as public statements indicated or that they decided after the fact to exploit the damaging situation as far as pos sible to Allied advantage.'

Hayward points out that it would have been possible shortly tuation is that Eisenhower durafter the escapes were made, for "large batches of escapees." But, he explains, "what doubtless angers the Communists and conwarning began firing with ma- regime or its promises. At one ceivably would please the Allies his disposal 450,000 U.S. armed is that the unauthorized release practically has eliminated the problem of North Korean prisoners who refuse to go home voluntarily after the armistice . Now that only a relative handful of anti-Communist North Koreans remain in captivity, the

If the U. S. command further reasoned that this would make a truce unacceptable to the Chinese and North Koreans, the ruse failed to work. The latter have accepted the release as an accomplished fact and have agreed crowds on Leipzig Peace Square he answered a question on what to make a truce separately with the U.S. if they get some assurance that the American command will keep Rhee's forces in

problem is greatly mitigated."

The only guarantee that these in part, as a propaganda cover be resumed shortly after a truce personally edited and corrected tash and coal miners near Stass- for terrible repressions against is signed, is the immediate with- the outline for his 1948 speech furt, construction workers on the workers. On July 5, the mon- drawal of all U. S. troops from that laid down the line on her

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East Germany -- Bad News for Wall St.

We've heard a lot of crowing from the Big Business press about the anti-Stalinist uprising of the East German workers. Haven't the Republicans been promising a "liberation crusade" to free the people behind the "iron curtain"? And now a liberation movement is actually underway. All kinds of weighty speculations on how to "take advantage" of the situation are floating around.

The trouble is that this is not exactly the kind of "liberation" Big Business had in mind. General strikes against speed-up, and political demonstrations of industrial workers against a witch-hunt, even if they take place in far-off Germany, are dangerous business for the monopolists. This kind of liberation struggle can be contagious. The assembly-line workers in this country suffer from a speed-up that matches any in the world and face a witch hunt that threatens to stamp out freedom of thought in America and even wipe out the unions themselves. Let us recall that militant methods of struggle have leaped across the Atlantic before. The sit-down strikes of the French workers in 1936 were the prelude of the sit-down strikes in the Ohio-Michigan area in 1937.

Walter Lippman, conservative columnist of the New York Herald Tribune, indicates the distinction the more conscious capitalists are making between their propaganda line for "liberation" of the East European people and the real movement of the workers against the Kremlin rulers. In his column of July 7, Lippmann says. "We cannot hope to succeed in adapting ourselves to the new conditions unless we take a balanced and objective view of Europe as a whole. . . We cannot afford, taking the easiest way, which is to see only what we like to see - that is, resistance in the East - and avert our eyes from what is not pleasing to see - namely

Before taking off for Sweden to attend the

Congress of the International Federation of

Free Trade Unions, Walter Reuther, CIO Pres-

ident, released a report of an economic study

made by the CIO. He warned that the choice

facing the nation is "boom or doom." The

nub of Reuther's and the rest of the labor

bureaucrats' position is as follows: With the

truce in Korea, or any turn in the interna-

tional situation that will cause a slackening in

war production, the bottom will drop out of

American economy, and unless serious meas-

ures are taken, doom will overtake the whole

In order to prevent this catastrophe Reuther

proposes a program of eternal capitalist boom.

The method of achieving this is simple -

according to Reuther - raise wages; thereby

increase the mass purchasing power and create

a vast new domestic market. That, we are

assured, will keep the wheels of production

going and a welfare type of capitalist system

The notion that high wages can stop capi-

talist depressions and crisis is nonsense. Karl

Marx, the founder of scientific socialism,

pointed this out long ago to the Reuthers of

his time. And since then everything that has

happened has confirmed Marx and disproved

the Reuthers. Take the simple fact that every

depression in history has been preceded by a

peak in wages and try to square that with

economic system.

Reuthers "new" prescription for the diseased

through the bitterest struggles to raise their wages, and improve their standard of living, and then, because of the inherent anarchy of and then, because of the inherent anarchy of the capitalist method of production, a devastic depression comes along the labor but the capitalist method of production, a devastic depression comes along the labor but the capitalist method of production, a devastic depression comes along the labor but the capitalist method of production, a devastic depression comes along the labor but the capitalist method of production, a devastic depression comes along the labor but the capitalist method of production, a devastic depression comes along the labor but the capitalist method of production and the capitalist method of the production and the capitalist method of the cap tating depression comes along, the labor bureaucrats are left looking with puzzled expressions at their punctured ballon theory on how to prevent depressions, and the workers their whole witch-hunting activare out on the street starving.

is that taken by the workers in Ford Local fied the committee majority and 600 of the UAW-CIO. They propose that the union fight for 30 hours work at 40 hours pay. They have the right idea. Fight for every pay rise but as the signs of depression accumulate, the union must take the stand no layoffs; work for all who want it; if the capitalists can't run the factories and provide work for all because their profit motive stands of alleged "communism" among in the way, that's no reason to pauperize the the liberal Protestant clergy and

It's the fight for this kind of demand that will teach the working class the fundamental also said he did not intend to lesson - capitalism is incapable of running a rational system of production. War or depression is the only alternative they can offer. if not the outstanding authority, Industry must be taken over by the workers and used to produce plenty for all instead of States."

Was Einstein's Advice "Evil"?

Dr. Albert Einstein's courageous advice to victims of Congressional witch hunters has touched off an instructive controversy in the columns of the N. Y. Times. Einstein held that "Every intellectual who is called before one of the committees ought to refuse to testify, i.e., he must be prepared for jail and economic ruin, in short, for the sacrifice of his personal welfare in the interest of the cultural welfare of his country." (See The Militant June 22.)

The editors of the Times raised their hands in horror at this, declaring that to "employ the unnatural and illegal forces of civil disobedience" is "evil."

The noted liberal British philosopher Bertrand Russel took up this challenge in a letter published in the June 26 Times. "You seem to maintain that one should always obey the law, however bad," he told the editors.

"Do you condemn the Christian martyrs who refused to sacrifice to the emperor?" he asked. "Do you condemn John Brown? Nay, more, I am compelled to supopse that you condemn George Washington, and hold that your country ought to return to allegiance to Her Gracious Maiesty Queen Elizabeth II. As a loyal Briton I of course applaud this view, but I fear it may not win much support in your country."

the precipitate decline of American influence in Europe.'

Lippmann goes on to warn that unless the reality is recognized "we shall surely on page one: "BIG THREE mislead ourselves on a point of the great-BRING PACTS UP TO DATE." est practical consequence. We shall tend The statement continues in part plies, and whether he has convention which took place in April,

to tell ourselves that the people who are in May, the International Union resisting the Soviets in the East are enlisting for the American solution of the German and European problem. Almost and Chrysler, achieving substan- practical aim is involved. surely this will not be true."

Lippmann's observations are shrewd. He sees that in fighting Stalinism the workers of East Germany are not giving the documents," Reuther continued in both the original changes pro- price-index commitments, even slightest support to American capitalism. an administrative letter to local posed by the union and the final tarnished and brought into dis-He knows that Wall Street's stock on the unions as follows: "In agreeing agreement represent piddling con- repute the escalator clause. market of working-class public opinion is at an all-time low throughout Europe and porations have recognized that parties to the negotiations was favor the industry that in local the world.

The truth is that the American billion- ly a matter of human relations five-year agreement. aires can take no comfort whatsoever from and that successful collective barthe revolutionary struggles of the German human equation in industry and does not appear in his statement, ance in 1955 with their "living workers against Stalinism. Just imagine must reflect an expanding meas- and with good reason. The auto document" formula, they refuse what the victory of the East German work- ure of economic and social justice workers had shown widespread to say flatly what they will do ers and the removal of the Stalinist bu- corresponding to our expanding disgust and disillusionment with then. reaucracy would mean to world capitalism. What a torrent of revolutionary energy against capitalism would be released! With the reconstitution of a revolutionary leadership in the anti-capitalist camp, the world Socialist revolution would become accelerated, organized and directed towards final victory.

Already the revolution is sweeping across Asia, penetrating Africa, erupting in South America. With the revolution now advancing to a new level in the industrial heart of Europe the question is raised: When will America's turn come? This is the real meaning of the East German events for American capitalism, and the more sober heads on the monopolists' thinking team do not allow their own fake propaganda line about "liberation crusades" to obscure the fact that the events in East Germany are bad news for Wall

Reuther's "Boom or Doom

captalist system. The whole point is that the workers go

A far more realistic approach than Reuther's

profits for the billionaires.

The Times did not respond. Perhaps they felt it necessary to call in an attorney to figure chore and McCarthy himself is that one out for them. The attorney turned occupied at the moment with his Coughlin's magazine, Social Jusout to be none other than Norman Thomas

who is still represented by the Times as a In the July 6 Times, Thomas defends th witch hunters. "I am compelled to support the legitimacy of Congressional investigations. Naturally he thinks the Jenner and Velde committee "are doing more harm than good" but formation", about "Communist infiltration" of the Protestant "the plain truth is that they are not as yet conducting a general fishing expedition into ideas and beliefs." That's not a plain truth, tee is gunning especially for plain chiefly of the "Communist" weakness of the five-year contract

it's an outright lie. Thomas is even opposed to utilizing the Fifth Amendment as protection against the Congressional Inquisitors and ends up declar- tion of the committee's methods ing that the "parallel to George Washington

at his own request, before the or the Christian martyrs is imaginary." committee on July 21. Bishop The irony of this debate is that up to this Oxnam, it was charged on the point the rebel tradition of America, which floor of the House by a committee member, Rep. Donald L. Jackonce made this land synonomous with freedom of thought and resistance to tyrannical son (R Calif.) "served God on to set the trap against them-Sundays but communism the rest selves by recognizing in any way government, is defended by a German and ah of the week. Englishman, while the Americans are lined up with the tyrants. For our part, we think use Matthews' article in connec- so-called "Communists" - even tion with his hearings, about "real" ones. They must come out a round of applause is due the foreign-born which the July 3 Christian four-square against the whole Einstein and Russell for speaking up in the Science Monitor observed: "The political witch-hunt and defend

truly American way.

Five-Year Auto Pacts Are Given Face-Lifting

a face lifting. The face however ber."

The June issue of the United Auto Worker states in bold type successfully completed negotiations with General Motors, Ford tially the contract changes which

the Union proposed last fall." economic resources."

Branch

Chicago

Boston

Buffalo

Flint

Philadelphia

San Francisco

New York

Los Angeles

St. Louis

Allentown

Milwaukee

Pittsburgh

Youngstown

Total through July 6

Sen. McCarthy, however, de-

refused to accept their motion

to dismiss Matthews. He defend-

ed the latter and declared that

he, McCarthy, alone had the

right on the basis of an obscure

Senate rule, to appoint or dis

McCarthy tried to disclaim th

intention "to make any study"

said that "the vast majority of

the clergy in every religion are

good loyal Americans." But he

accept Matthew's resignation be-

cause his appointee is "one of

the most outstanding authorities,

on subversion in the United

If McCarthy holds in abeyance

"investigation" of the Protestant

clergy, it is because another Con-

York City ,the House Un-Amer-

ican Activities Committee, under

the acting chairmanship of Rep-

resentative Kit Clardy, Michigan

Republican, has begun hearings,

with several unsavory profes-

sional ex-Stalinist informers as

chief witnesses, to gather "in-

The House witch-hunt commit-

Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, head

of the Methodist Church in the

been outspoken in his denuncia-

and who is scheduled to testify

"Communist

committee is doing the

book-burning campaign. In New tice.

BUSY, BURNING BOOKS

miss Matthews.

Oakland

Seattle

Detroit

Minneapolis - St. Paul

to give their five-year contracts the Union starting last Septem- strikes even occurred in the GM

as follows: "During the last week vinced the profit-hungry corpora- and confronted by provocations

After examining what the Reu- warfare. ther leadership was able to win After stating that "collective in eight months of "intensive ef- its totally inadequate annual imbargaining contracts are living fort," the conclusion is clear that provement factor and outmoded to these changes in the contracts, cessions by the corporation. It is | So widespread was the aware the managements of these Cor- also clear that the aim of both ness that long-term agreements collective bargaining is essential- to repolish and re-sell the same union elections many Reuther

gaining must fully recognize the the term "five-year" agreement the stage for a repeat perform long-term agreements. A rash of

The letter closed by stating, strikes hit the industry in Michi Walter Reuther and the auto "These advances mark the cul- gan and elsewhere in the period corporations have recently agreed mination of intensive efforts by preceding the agreement. These

to see whether the millenium has were widespread. Lacking any arrived, as Walter Reuther im- kind of lead from the union contions that they are obligated to and tightening down on the part accept the principle of social jus- of the corporations, the rank and tice, or whether a cruder and more file workers in the shops were

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become Roman Catholics .

Protestant ministers.

Senator McCarthy,

WROTE FOR COUGHLIN

Coughlin and wrote articles for

The attack on the liberal Pro-

their own definition on the terr

Simply crying that the charge

of "Communism" against them-

selves is false will not save the

liberal Protestants from the witch

hunters. These clergymen must

recognize that they are helping

the government's right to vic-

"Communist."

Rep. Clardy has said he will timize and discriminate against

situation is complicated by the all its victims.

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Bishop Oxnam himself put em-

hunt appears directed solely at

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(Continued from page 1) fact that several key witnesses

empire, where company terror is perhaps at its greatest. Protests HAS MILLENIUM ARRIVED? against speed-up, company arro-The purpose of this article is gance and shrinking paychecks

The five-year agreement, with

forced into a kind of guerrilla

tickets stated they opposed long-With typical right-wing deceit, term agreements. While setting

> LOSS OF RESPECT This loss of respect in the basic

agreement of the union represented a great danger both to the corporations and the right-wing leadership. The change-over to the new price index gave Reuther a legal opening to do things, but he made "requests" which were strictly in line with the five-year agreement. The give-away to the complete surrendering by Reuther of any real concern for the members' needs was his proposal for a one-cent increase in the annual improvement factor, bringing it from four to five cents. The many needs of the pensioners were almost completely ignored, with the exception that their maximum was raised from \$125 to \$137.50 a month. This is far below the union's own minimum estimate of what pensioners require.

The ratification meetings were tendance was very small. The previous struggles under Reuther's leadership had resulted in such poor agreements that there vas no sentiment for strike action, particularly in view of the five colleagues who were framed miserable program of the union. Congressional Witch Hunters was no practical alternative.

However, since the agreement and his well-paid army of privileged supporters in the union have credit his retention may give to who are likely to be called to ing the companies win at least former Governor General of liberation movement in Indosucceeded for the moment in helpdocument" formula has provided the companies and his administraphasis on the fact that the witch tion with a measure of sugar coating for the period ahead.

It is important to consider some of the conditions which helped Reuther put over his "operation whites. He charged the governpraised by leading Catholic priests. Recently, the Rev. Ed- whitewash." In addition to the ward Lodge Curran, president of slim results of previous long, the International Catholic Truth drawn-out battles, stemming from Society and pastor of a large his dividing one-at-a-time strat-Brooklyn church, extolled Mc- egy, the peak employment re-Carthy as a "great American, sulting from World War II and the Korean war has brought the great Marine and great Catholic" who is "out in the forefront of auto workers the longest stretch of steady employment in the hishose ferreting out comuunism." tory of the industry. This has had State Department's pressure a conservatizing influence on the

Matthews is a former Method- union as a whole. st minister who has not held a Further, the deep-going conpulpit in two decades. He was servative political trend in the associated with the Stalinists in country aids Reuther in reinforcthe Thirties as head of their ing his hold over the broad ranks American League against War of the union. His formal opposiand Fascism. He broke with tion to the Republican administrathem and went to work for the tion also provides him with a for the time being any personal House Un-American Activities large measure of respect among Committee. At the same time the workers and a convenient he became associated with the alibi for failure to make more fascist Catholic priest Father impressive gains.

WILL TOLERATION LAST?

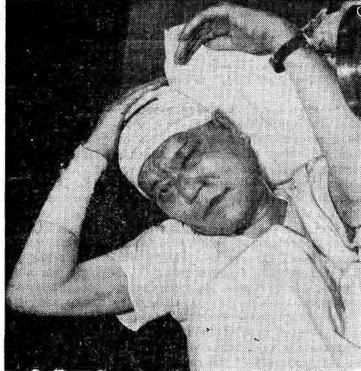
Finally we come to the question, will the present toleration of fivetestants is also being supported year pacts last? This is very unby rival ultra-conservative fun- likely. The one-cent annual imdamentalist Protestant sects, with provement factor and the still inmembership mainly in the Jim -- adequate price index will provide the members with insufficient Virtually the entire clergy of protection against the rising cost the liberal National Council of of living. The ever-increasing Churches has taken up the chal- production demands of the corpolenge from the pulpit. Few of rations in speedup programs, parthem, however, challenge the ticularly in view of the narrowwitch-hunt as such. They com- ing market, will again reveal the smear against themselves. This in providing workers with protecleaves them vulnerable to the tion on the shop level. District of Columbia, who has McCarthyites who choose to put

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Rhee Critic Under Arrest



Dr. Chough Pyung Ok is shown resting in his home in Seoul after he was beaten by four thugs because he opposes South Korean Dictator Syngman Rhee's demand for continuation of war. Two days after attack, Chough was arrested by Rhee's police and held incommunicado. Chough is head of Democratic Nationalists, opposition party.

unemployment, resulting from a bold, clear lead. possible Korean truce, will show It is certain that it will take up the fact that a five-year agree- all of Walter Reuther's art of ment can be considered a "living trickery and deception to shove document" only if the real needs another five-year agreement down of the workers are ignored. Un- the throats of the auto workers. der the spur of conditions in and That chore may be too big even out of the shop, the passivity of for him.

questions, resulting from the gov- the workers will be replaced by ernment's war program at home demands for necessary improveand abroad, will expose the five- ments and benefits which longyear contract as an insufferable term contracts cannot satisfy. burden on the auto workers. Such Even now their passivity results events as widespread threats of in good part from the lack of a

World Events

By Charles Hanley

second-class street-car fares. Po- the Mediterranean. lice and workers clashed in many areas. More than 500 demonstrators were arrested. Some of them perfunctory and routine. The at- were accused of throwing stones and home-made bombs at police-

the Kenya African Union, and the worst in 20 years. up along with him by British The rank and file accepted the authorities and given seven-year sentences, appealed to the Kenya Supreme Court July 2 for reversal of the unjust convictions. was reached, even though with They were imprisioned as part native freedom movement.

tence of 100 days at hard labor June 29. Duncan accepted the sentence as demonstrative protest against Malan's segregation pol-

He was held guilty of joining the defiance campaign of nonment with evicting \$0,000 Negroes from the western area of Johannesburg without them elsewhere.

members of the Labor Central, a powerful trade union body, indicated their feelings about the against nationalization of the tin mines by moving that Pres. Eisenhower's brother Dr. Milton Eisenhower be barred from visiting the country on his Latin American tour. The motion was lost by a vote of 12 to 33.

RUMANIA has accepted Yugoslavia's proposal for a joint commission to investigate border incidents involving the two countries. The move is considered to be a conciliatory gesture from the Stalinist-dominated government of Rumania toward the Tito

ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS III

of Cyprus, speaking at a large! gathering June 28, expressed his exasperation over British rule Directors of the Bulova Research and asked God and the congrega- & Development Laboratories Inc. tion to suffer it no longer. "In at an unannounced salary. He reour effort to achieve the longed- tains his army commission at full for liberty," he said, according pay totaling \$19,541 a year for to the N. Y. Times, "we shall life. He follows in the footsteps stretch out both our right and of Gen. MacArthur who went to our left hand to accept aid from work for Remington Rand at the East as well as from the \$100,000 a year.

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Stalinists on the Waterfront

A GENERAL STRIKE broke | West." The Greek Cypriots conout in Calcutta, India, July 4 stitute 80% of the population of when the city corporation boosted the British-dominated island in

IN HUNAN province, China's rice bowl, 103,000 acres were flooded in June, the Peking Peoples Daily reports. Top soil was washed away from 4,250 additional acres and 85 persons were JOMO KENYATTA, leader of drowned. The flood was judged

DICTATOR CHIANG KAI-SHEK has been given fresh troop reinforcements. Some 24,000 of his forces, interned up to now in Indo-China, were secretly transported to Formosa between May 24 and June 22 after the French decided it was inadvisable to accept their offer to join the French PATRICK DUNCAN, son of a forces in trying to put down the

THE FRENCH government, facing increasing difficulties in Indo-China, has proposed to negotiate with the governments under its control in Viet-Nam, Cambodia and Laos. These native forces has been asking a greater share in rule. King Norodom of Cambodia, who has demanded independent status, is reported to be mobilizing his army and to have refused to see Gen. John W. IN BOLIVIA, a third of the O'Daniel of the United States, currently supervising use of American arms in the colonial war against the Viet Minh.

> JAPAN'S unofficial trade agreement with the Mao regime was extended another six months June 30 although Radio Peking declared it had been a failure. The Japanese government, bowing to U. S. dictates, has limited its trade with New China.

CROWN PRINCE Azzedine Bey of Tunis, one of imperialist France's few friends in this North African protectorate, was killed by an assassin's bullet July 1. He was a cousin of the reigning Bey Sidi Mohammed Al-Amin, whom the French have on occasion threatened to depose.

Gen. Omar N. Bradley has become Chairman of the Board of

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A few years ago Hollywood "discovered" the "Negro question." A raft of pictures was released on the subject and found a profitable market. "Kingsblood Royal," "Pinky," "No Way Out," "Home of the Brave" and "Lost Boundaries" were some of the outstanding ones you may recall.

"Lost Boundaries" was a particular favorite of reformists who look to the slow, gradual processes of education and the homogenizing effect of our mythical American democracy to eliminate the secondclass status for Negroes which is the rule in this country.

The film, based on the experience of a doctor of Negro extraction and his family in Keene, N.H., exposes backward prejudices which exist in every white community in the United States. Its most dramatic spots deal with the impact of bigotry on the family which has "passed" as white, when the colored part of their racial origins becomes known in the community.

The weakest part of the story was the conclusion that the community, on the basis of appeals to reason, human kindness, and similar idealistic approaches, could resolve the problem, even in the isolated case of this one family.

A few weeks ago the press carried another chapter in the story of Dr. Albert C. Johnson, the real life principal character involved. He has been asked to resign as radiologist of the Keene Hospital. The rea-

I'm a Negro."

According to reports, President Chester L. Kingsbury of the hospital board admitted Dr. Johnson's work was satisfactory, but said he was dismissed, effective July 5, simply because "someone should devote more time to the job."

So happy endings for the Negro struggle can only be found in stories, in our capitalist society. In real life, the boundaries separating Negroes and whites assert themselves as dominant.

A Cleveland Call & Post editorial on June 20 correctly commented on the story: 1921. "The Negro's fight for full first-class citizenship cannot be fought on an individual basis. We win or lose only through unity of action and community of inter-

To which we can only add: Unity of action to abolish capitalism, which instituted, maintains and fosters Jim Crow to support the profit system.

Strike in the Catskills

By Ben Stanton

can be seen patrolling the skies service. with long streamers reading Grossinger's and Concord Hotels."

These are among the unusual in order to produce. features of this unusual strike

purpose of enjoying themselves. The bigger and more formal the

In the beautiful Catskill Moun- | guest holds over the worker | the seasonal nature of the work tains of New York two planes throughout the whole period of and the isolation of the moun-The meals, of course, are hard- ating the hotels, the many spo

"AFL Employees on Strike at ly the same as those served the radic attempts to organize a Along the wooded roads, 50 auto- overs of the guests to fairly subknow that a worker has to eat Labor Day week end, the work-

that started on the eve of the are generally abominable. Here long. The owners used the good July 4th week end in this famed is a typical case: On my first job old spy system and were quick staff. Unions that normally ser- night. My guide led the way agitating for better conditions. vice the wealthy hotels from the down two stories below the main I happen to know something what looked like the annex to property and woe to the trespasabout the background of the the furnace room. And indeed my ser who does not respect private strike, having served time as a cot was right next to the coal bin. property in upstate New York! I was hardly in position to pro-The hours are long and mono- test at one A. M. in the middle ready to escort the trespasser to tonous and the conditions are all of nowhere. I tried to sleep, dethe more intolerable because of termined to leave first thing in the sharp contrast with the the morning. I was in bed for a guests who are there for the sole few minutes when I felt guests leading up to the present strike. -not listed on the hotel register The central issue is - Recogni- and other games. Special activi--crawling over me. That decid-

to the proprietor.

tains and great distances separ

guests. They range from left- union shop have been frustrated. Largely dependent on the tips mobiles, station wagons and stantial meals provided by rela- and with the biggest portion trucks are picketing with similar tively enlightened owners who coming on the last holiday, the ers endured the slave conditions Strawberry Fete Living quarters of the serfs knowing it would not last to

resort area. About half the work- as a waiter, I arrived at the to get rid of any one suspected ers are out, including the office isolated hotel in the dead of of being "subversive," that is, of When necessary to get rid o outside are respecting the picket level - that's one floor below any undesirable, the owner would the basement - and we entered simply order the person off his

The State troopers are always at racted nearly 150 persons — as a result of the directive from ready to escort the trespasser to colored and white — who drove Washington cancelling the multithe local hoosegow. This is a bird's-eye view of

the background and conditions tion of the Union. If the strike hotel, the wider the gulf between ed me. I got up, packed my bag, succeeds it will stand as a source dren. the guests and the help. In the and left. My strange disap- of inspiration to all other resort more exclusive places it is impearance may still be a mystery areas and of great satisfaction, I am sure, to everyone who has

berry shortcake topped with The wages are bad, tips being For many years the resort ever had the misfortune of findwhipped cream that finished a the major source of income for owners have been getting away ing himself in this area hard at picnic supper of potato salad, the worker. The unknown size of with all this, ruling their local work helping the rich to relax the tip is the threat which the fiefs like feudal lords. Thanks to and take it easy.

Notes from the News

FREE CLINICS, group medicine and voluntary health insurance, were menaced last week by the Kings County Medical Society (Brooklyn) a part of the American Medical Association. They proposed changes in the medical code of ethics which would: (1) Prohibit pre-paid medical programs (Blue Cross etc.) from advertising for members. (2) Restrict hospitals and clinics from offering service to patients except those on relief. (3) Approve fee splitting (officially unethical now.) (4) Disapprove hospitals and clinics that offer public service, because they prevent "unrestricted freedom of the patient" to select his own doctor.

DISBARMENT OF HARRY SACHER, was upheld by the U.S. Court of Appeals on July 6. Sacher was the attorney for some of the 11 @ Communist Party leaders in the New York Foley Square trial which ended in 1949. After the trial Sacher was sentenced to six months imprisonment by trial judge Harold R. Medina. He served this sentence after the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the conviction. He was released from prison early this year. One of the specifications indicating "serious misconduct" on which his disbarment was upheld by the Appeals Court, was his remark during the Foley Square trial that the early Christians "did so many things . . . that if Mr. McGowey (the prosecutor) were a contemporary of Jesus he would have had Jesus in the dock." Judge Charles E. Clark opposed upholding Sacher's disbarment in a sharp statement that expressed the hope that Sacher would be reinstated "when the present atmosphere of hysteria has somewhat abated."

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH succeeded in tearing two pages out of 5,000 copies of a tenthgrade history textbook, in Easton, Pa., because of passages "unfair" to the Roman Catholics. One of the passages referred to early settlements in Pennsylvania as due to "dissatisfaction with corrupt features of the Roman Catholic Church.' in Europe. Two pages replacing the "unfair" pages will be pasted into the textbooks at a

MATHEMATICS TEACHER Dr. Julius H. Hlvaty's book, Review Digest of Solid Geometry, was one of those "burned" by the State Department. Dr. Hlvaty, writing to I. F. Stone's Weekly says, "Perhaps if I had stuck to Plane Geometry. or better yet, to one dimensional geometry, I might have obtained clearance." Dr. Hlvaty is now fighting for reinstatement as a teacher in the Bronx High School of Science.

THE PRICE OF RUBBER might rise three to seven cents a pound from the present 23-cent level when the government's synthetic rubber plants, built in World War II at a cost of \$118 million, are sold to private companies, according to expert

testimony before the Senate Banking Committee The committee is working on a bill to hand over the plants to private corporations for a song Reconstruction Finance Corp. officials told the committee the plants are now making a profit of \$62 million a year for the government. When \$62 million a year for the government. When private interests take over, the plants and At Youngstown processes would be segmented, thus raising costs They are now run as an integrated operation,

THE LIBERAL PARTY in New York has named Rudolph Halley as its independent candidate for mayor in the coming municipal elec. colored and white workers ig- general membership meeting, and tions after feverish behind-the-scenes maneuvering with the bosses of the Republican and Deheat to hear Ronald Jones of
the past week, telegrams were mocratic parties failed to produce an acceptable "deal" for a coalition candidate. Halley, who acquired his political reputation as a "crime buster" while acting as attorney for the Kefauver at the Socialist Workers Party Committee, was elected as the Liberal Part candidate for the post he now occupies as President of the City Council. Because the Dewey Republicans and Tammany Democrats are so discredited, the independents feel they have a good chance of electing their candidate agains' the candidates of the two major parties.

STRIKE-BREAKING tactics were used against slander this heroic movement of the embattled 800 strikers of Hearn's Department the oppressed East Africans as Store in New York by the Velde House Un-some kind of weird association American Activities Committee. The workers of witch doctors and fanatics OLD-TIMERS HIT have been out for eight weeks on the picket line. hankering after Mumbo Jumbo Six leaders of the Union were subpoenaed to ap- and the old order of things," depear before the Congressional committee on July clared the speaker. "What it 6. They refused to answer questions concerning bankers after is Karl Marx and membership or association with the Communist Party. The union, District 65 of the Distributive, socialism." Processing and Office Workers, was recently readmitted into the CIO. The witch hunt hearing destroyed the material foundacame on the heels of the dismissal of union charges of Hearn's unfair labor practices by the regional office of the National Labor Relations Board. Velde's committee cut short the union leaders' request for postponement of hearing until after the strike.

"LABOR DAILY" REPORTS that AFL Prescontinued, "can best be underident George Meany speaking at the opening stood as a link in the chain of session of the third World Congress of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions in Stockholm, Sweden, called upon the world union Asia through the Middle East movement to foster the "true Revolutionary into all parts of Africa. It is a spirit" embodied by the American Revolution link in the chain of world socialwhich had as its basic idea the "attainment of ist revolution." human justice, human rights and human security." Meany neglected to mention that the indission period followed the talk. pensable prerequisite for the achievement of the Many remained after the meetaims of the American Revolution was the ousting to discuss the international ing of the British authority based on their army meaning of the heroic struggle occupation and the best expression of the true Revolutionary spirit" today would be for to the very latest cases of dis- larger plants has been for skilled Party now renders them helpless Meany to demand that all American troops be crimination in the Youngstown workers. Only two plants are ask- to do anything about the plight removed from foreign soil.

THE MILITANT

VOLUME XVII

BUFFALO, July 6 - Some 2.000 bus drivers won a three-day strike today against the Niagara Frontier Transit Co.

The stoppage began Friday evening after the company rejected the demands of Division 1342 Street, Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees, AFL and brought all local bus traffic to a complete standstill over the busy Fourth of July week end. This was the most effective strike in the transit industry here sinc-

When the NFT attempted to ram a two-year contract down the throat of the union last Thursday, members rejected the company proposal by 839 to 642 votes and the strike was on. It ended Monday afternoon when the company accepted the union's demands.

The new contract includes substantial pay rise and an improved vacation and insurance olan. Pay for bus drivers is raised from \$1.71 an hour to \$1.85, effective immediately, with an increase to \$1.88 on January 1. The contract is to run for one year instead of the two years the company wanted.

The company offer, besides tying the workers down for two years, would have given considerably less in immediate wage

large gathering of workers and

their families attended the 18th

Annual Strawberry Festival of

the Socialist Workers Party here

Sponsored by the Twin Cities

branches of the SWP, the festival

part in a socialist Fourth of July.

Socialist Forum

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, June 30

headquarters, 234 East Federal

Comrade Jones told about the

British exploitation in East Af-

rica since it began in 1895 and

how it aroused revolt that flared

up as early as 1922 in a general

"The imperialists lie when they

"The revolt of the Kikuyu," he

liberation which has swept from

A lively question and discus

this afternoon.

son, he has told the papers — is because he is a Negro. "They (hospital officials) have been picking on me ever since my story came out," Dr. Johnson states. "I don't give a darn for the job itself, but I'm concerned over the fact that I was fired because I'm a Negro." Buffalo Bus Anti-Union Charges Smokescreen Cancellation of Kaiser Contracts

CIO Leaders Off to Europe



Four CIO leaders smile farewells aboard the liner United States as they leave New York for Stockholm to attend International Confederation of Free Trade Unions meeting. Shown (l. to r.) are: Vice-pres. James G. Thimmes of United Steelworkers, Pres. Jacob S. Potofsky of Amalgamated Clothing Workers, CIO Sec.-Treas. James B. Carey and CIO Pres. W. R. Reuther.

CLOSE-DOWN VICTIMIZES A Big Success **WILLOW RUN WORKERS** ST. PAUL, Minn., July 4 -

By John Allen

DETROIT, June 30 — Cancellation of contracts by the Air Force closed the huge Willow Run plant here last Friday, June 26. An estimated 12,000 workers were thrown

12 miles out of the city to take million dollar aircraft contracts with the Kaiser Motors Corp.

Sports during the afternoon lin-The sudden move by the govcluded volley ball, horse shoes erment was believed here to be ties were arranged for the chilthe direct result of pressure from the powerful General Motors Cor-Main feature of the day was poration acting through its agent the delicious homemade straw- C. E. Wilson, Secretary of De-

sandwiches, pickles, coffee and withdrawing government orders. For a number of workers the transfer all auto production Strawberry Festival was the first the Willis Motor Corp. plant in socialist gathering they had ever Toledo, O., and continue operaattended. Among them were read- tion. However, he saw no prosers of The Militant who subscrib- pect of employing the thousands ed during the campaign last thrown out of their jobs by the

> The United Auto Workers Union protested the government's action, and demanded that the aircraft contracts be restored to Williams at a mass meeting Sunday called by the union at Willow Run.

- An enthusiastic meeting of 40 general membership meeting, and At the Dodge UAW Local 3 Buffalo explain the Mau Mau sent protesting the closing of the fight for freedom in Kenya, East Willow Run plant to State Sen-Africa. The gathering was held ators, the Governor, members of Congress, and the Air Force.

The Kaiser-Frazer Local 142 of the UAW-CIO has about 13,000 members. The union estimates that 40% of these are too old to the new order - international secure employment elsewhere. They face a loss of both seniority The imperialists have long since and time accumulated towards their pensions. Many of these tion of tribal living, including workers have been employed for the leadership of the witch docmany years in the industry, first tions could be eliminated if the tor. They robbed the native poby the old Graham-Paige Corp. government operated such plants pulation of nine-tenths of their and then for Kaiser when that directly, under control of the land and converted the masses company was merged with the unions. into landless laborers in field and Kaiser interests. Some of these workers have only a few months to go to be eligible for their pensions. The majority of the oldtimers not only lose their penthe great movement for national sions, but they have no prospect of getting work elsewhere.

> one third of the labor force in power. the aircraft section, will find it almost impossible to get new fac- ficialdom to recognize the gentory jobs. Personnel departments eral social implication of the closof other plants have reported that ing of the Willow Run plant and they are "not interested" in hir- to fulfill their obligation to the ing women at this time.

in this tiny country, relating it

into an unfavorable labor market 3

fense, to squeeze Kaiser out of plant. They work in the materials the competitive auto industry by division and in the sample tool

Kaiser announced that he would government action.

Kaiser so that the Willow Run plant could be re-opened. This demand was echoed by Governor

Rumors circulated by plant foremen during the last days of tors would receive the Kaiser conthese unofficial reports workers war at government expense. Dur. time. Senator Byrd (D. Va.) has that the monopolies, not the were asked not to seek other employment or move outside the ation, first by the Ford Motor area as they would "probably" be called back in a short time.

ing for "unskilled break-in labor" of the Kaiser workers today.

as a result of the directive from -for the foundry-and no women are hired in this department. For the nearly 3,500 Negro workers at the Willow Run plant billions from the government

there is a very real cause for anxiety. The Pittsburgh Courier ed to produce in World War II quotes a union official and member of the bargaining committee of UAW Kaiser Local 142 as

"Negroes are well represented in many of the better jobs in the follow-up of the engineering sec-

tion as white collar workers. these workers will not get jobs all at government expense. Kaiin other Detroit plants. Even if ser got a good cut out of the they do, it's doubly certain they \$25-billion government shipbuildwill not get jobs in their present ing program. That's how he beclassifications. Some may be employed in foundries or as janitors and sweepers."

Max Horton, Michigan Employtion loans through his adminisment Security Commission directration connections and branched tor, estimated there are only beween 6,000 and 7,000 job open- lic money to lease and buy govings in the entire state, a majorerment-built installations, includity of these openings for the skilled trades only.

WEAK CONTRACTS

Workers victimized by the closing of the Willow Run plant are now suffering from the weakness of the union contracts. Here in this incident is demonstrated the dire need for industry-wide pensions and seniority-attainable has changed Kaiser's political only through industry-wide bargaining.

Much more sweeping and glar ing weaknesses in the outlook and understanding of the UAW of operation were that General Mo-ficialdom is revealed by the inability of the union to aid the tracts and re-open the plant under victimized workers. The Willow their direction. On the basis of Run plant was built during the ing the whole period of its oper-Co. and then by Kaiser, it has been used to turn out govern ment orders. Both Ford and Kaiser operated the government owned enterprise on a cost-plus basis. The fiction of "private ownership" has been maintained by leasing the Willow Run plant and then granting government contracts on a cost-plus basis to

cover the terms of the lease. The huge profits derived from such operations by the corpora-

.It is idle to think that either a Republican or Democratic administration could undertake such a venture benefitting the employees as well as saving money for the taxpayers in general. Such re-organization can be ef-Women, who constitute almost fected only by a Labor Party in

The failure of the union ofworkers, whom they claim to re-The call for help from all the present, by organizing a Labor SWP Candidate for Mayor

According to "unnamed spokes-

at Willow Run were drawing

more money than many execut-

ives, and union seniority provi-

sions allowed skilled aircraft

workers to be bumped by less

skilled men, thus disrupting pro-

duction schedules and standards

Cancellation of contracts fol-

that the CIO United Automobile

Workers is "mostly at fault be-

and collusion between govern-

ment agents and the big war

treasury. The auto barons refus-

Henry J. Kaiser, an indepen-

dent capitalist promoter, managed

to hop onto the government

for the construction of ship yards

Subsequently, Kaiser got big

Reconstruction Finance Corpora-

ing a large aluminum plant, steel

mills in the West and the Willow

Run plant through which he

sought to muscle in on the auto

The new Eisenhower adminis-

come-latelies" like Kaiser.

and mass production of ships-

came a big-time capitalist.

HOW KAISER GOT HIS

ANTI-UNION ATTACK

DETROIT, July 6 — Air Force cancellation of war contracts with the Kaiser Motor Company, which closed down the huge government-built Willow Run plant at Ypsilanti, Mich., and threw 12,-9 000 workers off their jobs, is hidden by an attack on the or-

being blamed on the victimized ganized workers and their union. workers. Although graft and mis- This is spearheaded by the polimanagement have been proved tical tools of the auto barons, time and again in connection with Senator Ferguson (R. Mich.) has war-contracts allocations, the Air arranged a public conference in Force brass charged no fault to Detroit, July 9, with Secretary of Kaiser management. Instead, it Air Forces Talbot, UAW leaders threw up a foul smokescreen of and Michigan's Congressmen paranti-union charges.

and Michigan's Congressmen paraticipating. "I know of no reason why Detroit labor, with its skill men" of the Air Force quoted in and efficiency, can't meet the the local press, union stewards price of labor elsewhere," said Ferguson, thus making clear the intent to drive Detroit and Michigan labor standards down to the

lower levels in other parts of the

Republicans have been joined by leading Democrats in this attack on the auto union. Michigan's Democratic Governor Williams has hastened to request of owed charges made in the Senate | Secretary of Defense Wilson "a full discussion of Detroit's future that Kaiser's production costs were too high. This has been con- in the nation's defense program," estensibly to "defend Detroit verted into a attack on union conditions, particularly those that against attacks from Washington form the very basis of the union on the efficiency of its labor." -the shop-steward system and The State Senate adopted a reseniority rights. The capitalist solution asking for "corrective press has expanded these false legislation if such need is indicharges and played up stories of cated." loafing on the job," claiming

THE UNION'S ANSWER

Emil Mazey, acting UAW president, and leaders of the Kaiser. cause it protected laziness and Frazer UAW local, have blasted the Air Force charges as lies This barrage against organized from beginning to end. They cite abor is intended to distract atthe swollen auto profits as proof tention from the real crooks and of Detroit labor's productivity grafters who control industry and and rightly brand the governgovernment. Graft and war-proment - financed aircraft industry fiteering are built-in features of owners as a gang of gold-plated capitalist "free enterprise" war panhandlers. They expose the production. Official investigations Pentagon propaganda as a coverafter every war have disclosed up for procurement policies favorshocking corruption, profiteering ing monopoly interests.

Unfortunately, the attack on the UAW has not been limited corporations, which have robbed to propaganda. In a drive to break the union's power and destroy union working conditions, the auto barons launched a series on their own cost-plus of provocations -line speedups, discharge of union stewards, general contract violations- heading toward the scrapping of all seniority provisions, so the older men can be kicked out and junking of the steward system so that gravy train early in World War supervisors can freely disregard II when the Roosevelt war administration gave him contracts contractual working conditions.

The anti-union propaganda is designed to justify these antiunion actions. Answering the propaganda as the UAW has done is necessary; but anti-union action must be answered by union actions. The union must fight vigorously in the plants against speedup and contract violations and in defense of the union stewards.

out into new fields. He used pub- LABOR PARTY NEEDED

Combined with their economic strength and actions the unions must wage a well-organized political offensive through the launching of an indepnedent labor party that will campaign against Big Business in government, drive out of Washington tration, which includes the former the agents of the monopolies and head of General Motors C. E. install genuine representatives of Wilson as Secretary of Defense, the workers in office.

Through a labor party, the fortunes. The men now running American people-the vast ma-Washington are direct and open jority of them wage-workersspokesmen of Big Business. The could take political power and big monopolists don't want to put an end to the whole business share their control of industry of war grafting and war profitand government with "Johnny- eering. They would take the profit-and the incentive-out of Kaiser enterprises have been war. They would open the books under investigation for some of the corporations and prove asked the Senate Investigation workers, are responsible for the Committee to review all Kaiser high-handed plundering of the holdings, all deals with the gov- public treasury. They would exernment, RFC loans and authoriz- pose the connections of the pried tax amortizations. Whether vate corporations and capitalist the committee's full findings will politicians. And, then, they would ever be disclosed is questionable, nationalize all the war industries, since too many in high places including auto, and run them are involved and the facts would without profits under the control undoubtedly expose the whole of the workers. There would be corrupt government contract sys- no danger then of government. contracts corruption and "inves-Meanwhile, the squeeze on Kai- tigations" with an anti-labor ser is combined with and partly twist.

STALIN'S FRAME-UP SYSTEM

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By LEON TROTSKY

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