

A Socialist Talks to The Unions

Text of talk by Rita Shaw, Socialist Workers Party candidate for Governor of Michigan, to General Council of Ford Local 600, United Auto Workers, on Aug. 12.

Brother Chairman, Brothers and Sisters: I enjoy talking at union meetings. I am not a millionaire or would-be millionaire, like my opponents. I am not a so-called "friend of labor," I am part of the labor movement itself. I am and have been a union member ever since I went to work for a living because I know that without unions we would be little better than slaves and that our future and our country's future depend on the militancy and strength of organized labor.

I want to thank you for letting me speak here about the program of the Socialist Workers Party, as you previously have permitted Democratic and Republican spokesmen to do for their parties. This shows that Local 600 is animated by a spirit of fair play.

FOUR MAIN ISSUES

The four main issues in this campaign, as we Socialists see it, are the fight against unemployment, the struggle against the danger of war, the winning of civil rights, and the ending of the witch hunt. The question is: How can these problems be solved? Our answer is that they can't be solved through either of the two major parties; that they can be solved only through the formation of an independent labor party equipped with a fighting anti-capitalist program; and that it's the duty of the labor movement to break with both old parties and form a party of their own that can deserve the support of working farmers, minority groups, housewives and sections to the middle class.

It's not hard to convince good union men and women that the Republican Party is their enemy. It is harder to see that the Democratic Party is also our enemy and that we will never be able to win real progress through reliance on the Democrats. One reason for this is that the top union leaders are talking along behind the Democrats, supplying alibis for them and covering up for them.

In the time I have here, I want to show that on the four main issues of 1956 the Democrats are no better than the Republicans, and that where there are minor differences between them, the Democrats are sometimes worse. First, on unemployment, Eis-



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enhower's assistant traveled all the way from Washington to Detroit to tell us that "the right to suffer is one of the joys of a free economy." That shows how callous the Republicans are. But the Democrats don't lose much sleep about unemployment either. In 1950, before the Korean war, when unemployment was even greater than now, Truman was pretty nonchalant about it too. He said: "A certain amount of unemployment, say from three to five million, is supportable. It is a good thing that job-seeking should go on at all times. This is healthy for the economic body."

Last month Local 600 sponsored a Democratic-Republican debate on unemployment. They both know that you advocate the 30-hour week at 40 hours' pay to fight unemployment. They want your votes, but they just couldn't bring themselves to pretend that their parties favor 30-for-40. As a matter of fact, you know very well that they are both opposed to this necessary and progressive measure.

Your president, Carl Stellato, has suggested that every candidate and party should be made to state where they stand on a bill to make the 30-hour week the law of the land. Since my party favors such a bill, I think that's an excellent idea. But if you do it, you'll have to oppose both old parties.

BOSSES SHOULD PAY

A lot of heat has been generated in Lansing about the amount and length of unemployment benefits. But both the capitalist parties agree on one thing — that workers should be penalized economically when they are laid off. They both think Socialists are crazy when we say that no worker should be punished by having his family's income lowered when he's laid off through no fault of his own, and that in such cases, laid-off workers should receive compensation equal to trade union wages for the full period of unemployment.

If the employers can't provide full employment, if they can't keep the plants running, then we say let's get rid of them, take the plants and put them under government ownership, and run industry efficiently and democratically through the control and management of workers' and technicians' committees.

That's the real answer to the threat of depression. But Democrats (Continued on page 4)

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Democrat Party Convention Sells Out on Civil Rights

Labor and the Democratic Party

An Editorial

With the motley chorus of labor bureaucrats, liberals, social-democrats and the Communist Party urging the working class to support the Democrats, union militants and socialist minded workers should pause and examine the history of labor's relationship to the Democratic Party.

The present-day alliance of the trade union movement with the Dixiecrats and the corrupt big-city machines, which comprise the Democratic Party, was cemented in Franklin D. Roosevelt's first term. In the midst of complete economic collapse, with millions of unemployed fast losing all illusions in capitalism, it fell to the lot of Big Business' alternate party to make that minimum of social concessions necessary to stave off emergence on a mass scale of an independent party of the working class.

The danger was all the greater since the workers upon recovery from the early shock of the depression, began forging the industrial unions of the CIO. These forced the giant corporations to their knees in economic combat. The class-struggle lessons learned in sit-downs and on picket lines threatened to be applied to politics. The country was ready for a labor party and definite moves from the union ranks were made to build it. These were squelched by the labor bureaucrats and their then powerful allies — the American Stalinists.

Thus Big Business survived the great depression and the upsurge of the CIO without losing its Democratic-Republican monopoly of political power in the U.S.

Needless to say, as the economic crisis eased with World War II the concessions to labor became less and less. By the end of Truman's first term the Democratic record on labor and social legislation had practically reached the vanishing point. Facing defeat in the 1948 election, Truman desperately revived the pro-labor, pro-Negro demagoguery used in earlier periods of the New Deal. Workers, Negroes and poor farmers, who had become disgusted with the conservatism and corruption of the Democratic Party, responded to the "Fair Deal" promises. Reversing their prior trend and upsetting all predictions, they voted Truman and his party back into the White House and Congress.

The demagogic campaign pledges were not carried out. When finally the Republicans won the presidency, the Democrats as an opposition party — even when in control of the 84th Congress — failed to fight for labor or civil rights. A great lack of faith in the Democrats has spread among the mass of workers. They support the Democratic Party, as the labor leaders urge them to, only because they see no alternative except the Republicans.

Keeping labor in the Democratic Party means binding the potentially greatest political power in this country hand and foot — making it a captive of Big Business, the Dixiecrats and the ward-healers. Class-conscious workers should strive to end this captivity. A first step can be voting the Socialist Workers Party ticket. The next step should be year-round effort to help the SWP build labor party sentiment in the unions and Negro organizations.

Failure of government and Party officials to deal firmly with such ugly outbreaks is revealed in the report of the official censor of the Wrocław party secretary for opposing the use of the police to defend the victimized Jewish family.

By Harry Ring

While the Kremlin continues to dodge an open discussion of the burning issue of Soviet anti-Semitism, confining itself to further "rehabilitation" of Jewish cultural figures and plans for the revival of Yiddish Cultural institutions, ugly anti-Semitic trends have erupted in Poland.

"We are being disgraced by anti-Semitism which is being demonstrated in various forms," declares an article in the current issue of Nowe Drogi, principal ideological organ of the Polish United Workers (Communist) Party.

The article charges that "anti-Semitism still finds a favorable ground in our country in spite of the fact that we have witnessed the tragedy of millions of Polish Jews murdered by Hitler and that we already have had eleven years of the peoples authority."

The former German territory of Silesia appears to be one of the acute trouble spots in this regard, according to a report in the Aug. 9 New York Times from its Warsaw correspondent, Sidney Gruson. Anti-Jewish slogans have re-appeared in that area and a Jewish cemetery has been desecrated. A group of Poles forcibly prevented a Jewish family from moving into a new home in Wrocław (Breslau).

PREJUDICE AT THE TOP

That the conduct of the Wrocław functionary was not an isolated case is indicated by the previously quoted Nowe Drogi article. "A party member who is enslaved by anti-Semitic prejudice or shows lenience to the adherents of anti-Semitism disgraces the banner of the party and betrays the humanist ideals of socialism," the article declares. "The awareness of this must prevail among all party members in all party organizations and agencies."

Publication of this article coincides with the report that the Party's Central Committee has decided to wage a public campaign against the rising anti-Semitic tendencies against the will of those who would conciliate with anti-Semitic prejudice rather than meet it head on. Proposals conciliatory to anti-Semitism have been put forward in the Central Committee itself.

The principal spokesman for this position, according to Gru-

Egyptians Hail Suez Nationalization



Huge cheering throngs in Cairo hail President Nasser as they demonstrate their solid support of the Egyptian government's action in nationalizing the Suez Canal. The scene was duplicated throughout the Middle East. "Crowds danced in the streets of Arab capitals," reported the July 30 Christian Science Monitor.

All-Arab Strike Called To Back Egypt on Suez

By William Bundy

AUG. 15 — As we go to press, ten to 15 million Arab workers are preparing a general strike in ten Middle Eastern nations to protest the London Conference opening tomorrow. The conference was called by Britain, France and the U.S. to devise a method of reimposing imperialist control over the Suez Canal.

The strike was called at a mass meeting in Cairo last week held by the Organization of Struggle for Liberation of Moslem Peoples. "A crowd of several thousand... cheered the speakers wildly," as the strike was projected, reports the Aug. 11 Christian Science Monitor.

ANSWER TO THREATS

The enthusiasm for the general-strike call registers the flaming desire of the Arab peoples for

an end to imperialist domination of their homelands. It is the latest instance of ever growing Arab support for Egypt against the threats of a Korea-type "police action" by the Western "Big Three." It also expresses the justified anger of the Arab masses over a conference called by foreign capitalist governments to control the Suez canal, which is Egyptian property and which lies entirely on Egyptian soil.

A new Egyptian National Liberation Army has been proclaimed. It will include the national guard, volunteers of both sexes between the ages of 18 and 50, and youth battalions composed of all Egyptian university students (now on summer vacation).

"The purpose," says the Aug. 14 Christian Science Monitor, "is apparently the formation of a people's army to act as a guerrilla

force in the event of an invasion." Such an invasion is threatened with new British concentration of troops in the Middle East and the presence of the U.S. Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean.

"Women were among the first to be brought into the new liberation army," reports the Aug. 7 New York Times. Syria has also formed a Public Resistance Organization composed of men and women civilians who will be given emergency military training.

In lands where polygamy is still common, where marriages arranged without the consent of the espoused is still the rule, where women have not been allowed by Moslem religious law to show their faces in public, the formation of a popular militia including women indicates that

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Stevenson In; Labor Captive Of Dixiecrats

By George Lavan

AUG. 16 — Adlai Stevenson won the Democratic presidential nomination late tonight by an overwhelming majority on the first ballot. Crowded on the Stevenson bandwagon were labor-baiters and labor leaders, members of the White Citizens Councils and (Negro leaders, reactionaries and liberals.

Stevenson had the upper hand throughout the convention and no serious challenge for the nomination was offered him. This was brought by the deal in which Kefauver, his leading opponent, withdrew from the race before the convention and threw his support to Stevenson. That Kefauver had for months been exposing Stevenson for selling out on civil rights and labor was no hindrance to the deal. This is how the "game" of capitalist politics is played.

Consequently Harriman's campaign, despite ex-President Truman's backing, was a pitiable failure. Harriman's only hope was to split the Southern white-supremacists from Stevenson. But Stevenson's Southern delegations stood solid.

Stevenson's "moderation" line — designed to keep pro and anti-labor, racist and Negro, reactionary and liberal elements in his camp by not coming out four-square on any controversial issue — dominated the running of the convention and the writing of the platform.

EASTLAND NOT UNSEATED

Early evidence that the Northern liberals would back down on their promises of a battle to wrest control of the Democratic Party from the Dixiecrats was given on the first day of the convention. This occurred when the Mississippi delegation was seated. Following the Emmett Till and other lynchings in that state, Democratic liberals had promised a fight in Congress to unseat Senator Eastland and other Mississippi representatives. Nothing came of the promises and the excuse was the Senate rules. A fight was then promised to unseat Eastland and the Mississippi delegation at the Convention.

Despite slogans that keeping Eastland out would add a million votes to the Democratic ticket, only two members of the 54-man Credentials Committee voted against the lily-white Mississippi delegation. A total of six votes was needed to bring the issue to the floor, but the liberals wanted no such fight and the six votes could not be found. Thus UAW President Walter Reuther's promise of a few weeks ago — "You can't have me and Eastland too" — is already disproved. Reuther stayed and now both he and Eastland are on the Stevenson bandwagon.

The big "fight" of the convention — aside from the struggle of Stevenson and Harriman — was supposed to take place over the platform — specifically the civil rights plank. Platforms are campaign promises and the campaign promises of the Democratic and Republican parties have long been proverbial for their worthlessness. As the New York Times editorial of Aug. 8 delicately put it: "This is not to say the platform is without meaning. . . . But once the platform is safely glued together the party leaders are often prone to drink deep of the waters of Lethe and forget

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The Thompson Pension Case

It is hard to conceive of a lower form of political persecution than taking away the pension of a disabled war veteran. Yet this is precisely what the witch-hunters of the Veterans Administration are persisting in doing in the case of Robert Thompson, an official of the Communist Party.

Thompson served in the army during the last war. In the fighting in the Pacific he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. After being wounded, he contracted tuberculosis and upon discharge was classified as 100% disabled and accordingly was given a \$150 monthly pension. The government asserts that his tuberculosis has since been arrested and that therefore the pension would be only \$67. However, the government is not paying him even this. The Veterans Administration has wiped the slate clean of his war service and his physical disability and instead announces that he has rendered assistance to an enemy of the United States.

The alleged assistance consists of "public utterances" made by Thompson during and against the "police action" in Korea.

Thompson has already been imprisoned under the thought-control Smith Act for his Communist Party views and utterances. Now the witch hunters of the VA have held what amounts to a treason trial, without judge, jury or constitutional guarantees, and have deprived him of his pension.

The Korean War was an imperialist intervention by U.S. imperialism against the

Asian revolution and was justly the most unpopular war the U.S. has ever engaged in. Public criticism of it was widespread. If words uttered by Thompson or anyone else against this undeclared war can be punished by a bunch of bureaucrats in an administrative hearing as treasonous or as aiding the enemy, then free speech has suffered a mortal blow in America. By the VA logic any criticism of a war, or the government, or the politicians and generals running it, or the economic system they serve, "hurts" the war effort and therefore "aids" the enemy. The precedent being established today in Thompson's case can be used tomorrow or the day after against other — and non-Communist Party — critics of U.S. war policies or the threatened "police action" in Egypt.

The attack on Thompson's pension was preceded by a similar attempt against James Kutcher, the legless veteran persecuted for his membership in the Socialist Workers Party. Public opinion forced the VA witch-hunters last spring to restore Kutcher's pension. At the time we pointed out that the victory was partial because the VA witch-hunters, though returning the pension, stuck to their premise that they had the right to take away pensions on political grounds.

It is now the duty of the labor and civil liberties movement to destroy that premise by forcing the restoration of Thompson's pension and an official retraction of the vindictive policy that men disabled in war can be deprived of their pensions for their political thoughts or statements.

Polish Justice on Trial in Poznan

Twelve prominent American labor and liberal lawyers at the initiative of the Workers Defense League in this country have requested of the Polish government the right to send observers to the scheduled trial of workers arrested in the Poznan general strike and demonstration last June.

Spokesman for the legal group is John Finerty, who first won world acclaim as attorney for Tom Mooney then for Sacco and Vanzetti. In 1937 he distinguished himself as counsel for the Dewey Commission of Inquiry which exposed the frame-up character of the Moscow Trials.

Finerty's request of the Polish government comes on the heels of similar requests by U.S. and European labor and legal bodies. As of this writing, the Polish government has not answered any of these requests.

It has confined permission to attend the trials to representatives of the British embassy and Western press correspondents. But labor and civil liberties defenders cannot be satisfied with the reports of capitalist governments or the capitalist press. They correctly insist on having their own representatives at the trials.

On the eve of the Poznan trials the Polish regime stands before world labor opinion as suspect on three counts of staging a frame-up.

(1) There is the whole record of Kremlin-launched frame-ups against "Titoites" throughout Eastern Europe and before that against the victims in Moscow Frame-up Trials of the 1930's. The odium for these atrocities still falls upon all regimes dominated by the Kremlin.

(2) There is the charge the Polish

government initially levelled against those arrested in the Poznan demonstration of being "agents of imperialism." That slanderous accusation came straight out of Stalin's recipe book for concocting frame-ups.

(3) It is true that the Polish regime has since retreated from the malicious charge. It has even admitted that the demonstration resulted from legitimate grievances of the workers and "calousness" on the part of officials. But the government still proposes to punish workers for using the only method that was available to them to win a redress of grievances.

There is a strong precedent for allowing labor and liberal representation at the Poznan trial. In 1921, the Soviet government headed by Lenin allowed representatives of the hostile Second International to defend Social Revolutionaries charged with committing terrorist acts against Soviet officials, including Lenin himself.

The trials were conducted strictly in accordance with principles of working class justice, and the results were never successfully challenged. On the other hand, under Stalin, the Moscow Frame-up Trials were staged with none but hand-picked observers plus capitalist diplomats and newspapermen allowed to attend.

The Polish government is far from having the record for honesty that Lenin's regime enjoyed. Despite recent reforms, it is still besmirched with Stalin's crimes. All the more reason why it owes to international labor public opinion the right to the most complete scrutiny of the forthcoming trials.

...Democratic Party Convention

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all about it—or forget any part of it that may cause them inconvenience.

However, the Northern liberals and labor leaders hoped that by making a lot of noise about a fight for civil rights in the platform they could retrieve some of the losses incurred by the complete sellout of civil rights by the Democratic Congress.

That the "fight" was fixed was evident from the composition of the subcommittee chosen to draft the civil rights plank. It was heavily loaded with white-supremacists—including the Governor of Mississippi—and Northern politicians known to favor watering down the civil rights promises of past campaigns.

The resolution brought in by this committee was a victory for the Dixiecrats. On the key question of supporting the Supreme Court decision against Jim Crow schools it was silent. In its mention of the decision it merely said it was "of vast importance." No Dixiecrat would argue with this for it fails to describe the decision as good or bad or to say whether the Democratic Party was for it or against it.

It is interesting to note that liberals, who later brought forth

a minority report against the plank as being too weak, voted for it in the Platform Committee. The only votes against it in the subcommittee were from five Southern racists. But this was not because they were against it—they had won a victory—but because, as Walter Reuther explained, "they felt if they voted for it, then people would say, if they're for it it can't be good." (New York Herald Tribune, Aug. 16.)

LIBERALS KEEP UP POSE

The decision of the Northern liberals to make a minority report had nothing to do with the Stevenson-Harriman fight. By that time it was apparent to all that Stevenson had the nomination sewed up. Apparently a group of liberals, particularly those up for election this fall in districts with an important Negro vote, felt they had to do something to enable them to continue to pose as supporters of civil rights despite the sellout plank their party was adopting.

For this reason they staged their "fight." After the newspaper and TV audience's interest had been whetted by big advance stories of the approaching showdown, the great moment

came. A brief amendment to the platform was offered. Its main point was mention of the Supreme Court's school desegregation decision and a pledge "to carry it out." How or when, was not indicated.

The amendment hastened to reject all proposals for the use of "force" in carrying it out. Every other court ruling and law of the land, down to those against spitting on the sidewalk or parking in a no-parking zone, carry the threat of "force" i.e. arrest except those "guaranteeing" the Negro people their Constitutional rights.

Ten minutes speaking time was allotted to the proponents of the minority report. In order to involve as many as possible of the liberals, who will be courting Negro and labor votes from now till election day, in the "battle," there were five speakers, each taking two minutes.

WELL, DO THEY?

First speaker was D. Robert Short of Minnesota, who introduced the minority report. Then came Sen. Lehman of New York. Then Gov. Williams of Michigan, "the extreme left of the Democratic Party," who said that the majority plank "fell somewhat

below our ideals." Next Richard

Richards of California declared the amendment simply was a "pledge to carry out our courts' decisions. Well, do we or don't we? Of course we do!" At this point shouts of "No" went up from a large part of the convention and the Confederate flags of the Deep South delegations were vigorously waved. Senator Douglas of Illinois said the issue was so important that he hoped the necessary eight delegations would demand a roll-call vote.

Speakers against the amendment took 20 minutes. Last speaker was former President Truman, who was given the floor as a special privilege. He praised the majority plank and urged the convention to vote for it.

The floor fight that Sen. Douglas had called for never came off. Though Northern liberals could have easily swung the eight delegations, they did not even make more than a token attempt — by waving a banner — to get the floor. Thus the great civil rights "battle" came down to 10 minutes of talk on the convention floor. To paraphrase the poem: "This is the way the civil rights fight ended — not with bang but with whimper."

Southerner Tells of Labor-Negro Unity

By Ed Snow

CHICAGO, Aug. 2 — The newspaper, the New Southerner, was the rallying point for a meeting held here by white and Negro workers concerned with developments in the South. Donald West, known

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This, said West, was the proud tradition that will yet

prevail despite the forces attempting to retard progress. The "blood-curdling" demagoguery of the White Citizens Councils and the Ku Klux Klan will not succeed in turning back the historically upward march of struggle in the South for any length of time. He showed that the WCC and KKK were not only anti-Negro, as everyone knows, but anti-labor also.

West cited the unpublished results of polls in several Southern high schools where white students overwhelming voted for racial integration. He also told of racist violence against an interracial cooperative farm in Georgia. At this particular farm, where some 60 Negro and white Baptist farmers have pooled their resources and work about 1,000 acres in common, the hard-earned dairy and freezer installations were bombed.

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UNION PROGRESS

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