The trade-union movement of Canada is organizing an independent labor party to challenge the capitalist Liberal and Conservative parties. The new party "will

provide the Canadian people with a real choice of political dent of the Canadian Labor Conalternatives. Indeed, in my view, gress, declared in a statement it offers the only hope of break- published in the October issue ing the power of monopolies in of Canadian Labor official mag-Canada and of bringing social azine of the federation. justice, political integrity and a The initial step toward formaricher life for all the Canadian tion of a labor party was taken people," Claude Jodoin, presi- at the April 1958 convention of

Irag Faces Crisis

By Alex Harte

Iraq is approaching a new crisis. The capitalist and landlord forces, with secret assistance from abroad, are girding convention. for a new attempt to put the revolution in reverse. Outside, against a background of united marily by the problems of unimperialist hostility to Iraq, employment, rising prices, a Nasser's United Arab Republic growing anti-labor offensive and and Jordan are concentrating the failure of the Liberals (the ders. The Egyptian press and Democrats) to carry through on radio are beating the drums commitments to labor. The cap- receipts on minerals used on the against Iraq. King Hussein of itulation of the Liberals to the Jordan publicly "offers" to send forces of reaction opened the troops to aid in "crushing com- door for the electoral victory munism." The Mideast is rife last year of the openly anti-lawith rumors of impending inva- bor Conservatives. sions and counter-revolutionary Plans for launching the new

revolution began, Kassim has Co-operative Commonforbidden the regular function- wealth Federation party (CCF) ing of political parties in Iraq. which was organized in 1932. However, Jan. 6, the date by which he has promised normal lished in some of the provinces, political life would be allowed, the continuous watering down is drawing near. This presents of its original mildly socialist

serious problems. the only working-class party in scale. the country, has quietly submit-(Continued on Page 2)

the CLC, the Canadian counterpart of the AFL-CIO. That convention, with less than a dozen dissenting votes, instructed the CLC national council to start working toward organizing "an effective political force based on the needs of workers, farmers and similar groups." The council was mandated to draft a constitution for the new party and to report back to the 1960

The move to break with capitalist politics was prompted pri-

party were undertaken by the Since July, 1958, when the CLC in cooperation with the program prevented its success-So far, the Communist party, ful consolidation on a national

ted to the political restrictions the united union move for for- ranches. The land is scheduled imposed by the Kassim regime. mation of a labor party and for for distribution among landless Even so, the revolutionary tide the past year a joint CLC-CCF peasants. in Iraq is so strong that it re- committee has been organizing mains the party with the great- consultative conferences of unest mass following. Unrestricted ionists, farmers and CCF sup-(Continued on Page 4)

Socialist Fund Campaign Chalks Up a Good Week

By Reba Aubrey, Campaign Director

For several weeks I've been pointing out that socialist the military courts to help quell tion. Apparently to protect the fund campaigns generally seem to start off slow and then counter-revolutionary plots. MNC leaders, some 3,000 rankgain momentum as they go along. I confidently predicted

that we would see our present Socialist Publications Fund pick ing from ninth to second place. really meant it too. Now I can knocked on wood though. He American businessmen with Cu- 70 people — all natives — were ped and is now back to normal, that if we raise enough money At this rate we'll meet that Dec. for socialist publications it can 15 deadline the way we said we help keep the economy going. would - in full and on time.

have always taken special pride kind goes to our youthful Denin our Twin Cities comrades, ver contingent which just moved those wonderful fighters who up to third place. That \$20 payled the Minneapolis truck driv- ment may not look like high ers strikes, who stood up against finances unless you know that the government attack and Dan this small group has been put-Tobin's goons at the beginning ting just about all of their limof World War II, and who have ited earnings into a program of continued the fight for socialism socialist activities that would do ever since.

justice to a large organization. If you look at our scoreboard | Last week New York fund dion page two you'll see what rector Howard Grabel told us an moved me to express that feel- impressive story. One of the ing. The Twin Cities, in twelfth comrades just came home from a place last week, moved up to top long-planned trip to Europe. the list. Isn't that a challenge to Howard was afraid she would all the other areas!

easy in the Twin Cities. Fund be paying \$100. How? Being a director Bob W. reports that they far-sighted girl, Elaine anticiwill have to push all the way to pated both her trip and the likecomplete their quota. As part lihood of a fund campaign. So of the campaign, a letter has early in the year she opened a just been sent to a lot of Min- Christmas Club account for the nesota socialists asking them for fund. That's Socialist planning. help in the best of all causes.

at socialist fund raising, ap- Our good friend, Mrs. A. W. of parently decided he could move faster than the U.S. mails. Bob feet with a \$5 contribution. Then reports that Comrade Dunne has "most friendly regards" and \$10 the crew. However, when the been out visiting friends and has from B. W. of Brooklyn put a already collected \$65.

still. But our Boston comrades tions from all our readers. are out to upset that reputation. This week they did it by jump-

up steam in just that way. I Director Franklin seems to have plotters are in the U.S., and the city and province and some confess that the receipt of hard writes: "So far everything has ban holdings are "waiting to killed and more than 200 woundcash bolsters even complete con- been running smoothly. It seems fidence. Contributions this week that as in many previous drives were 50% greater than any pre- unemployment might affect us." vious week. My pulse has drop- The only comfort I can offer is

A lot of congratulations are in

return flat broke. She did. But It's not that money comes just before our deadline she will

I'm also happy to report that V. R. Dunne, a really old hand "General" has begun to march. Montana put "General" on his little polish on his medals. By crane cab the union insisted up-Boston is said to be a staid the way, "General" isn't private. city where people like to stand He will gladly accept contribu-

To indicate why the future (Continued on Page 2)

Canadian Unions Begin to Set Up A Labor Party Steel Users Feel Pinch Of Declining Stockpiles

Castro Lays New Tax on **Outfits**

By Lillian Kiezel

The Cuban revolution pushed back last week at mounting pressure from the almighty dollar. After mobilizing a huge demonstration of workers and peasants Oct. 26 against counterrevolutionary plots and American interference in the island's affairs, the Castro government stepped up institution of reforms.

Cuba rejected an Oct. 27 State Department protest of Premier Fidel Castro's accusation that the U.S. deliberately aided Cuban counter-revolutionaries who have been attacking the Castro government as "communist."

A new mineral law was adopted Oct. 28 imposing stiff taxes on military forces on the Iraqi bor- Canadian equivalent of the U.S.-owned mining operations in Cuba. In addition to 5% of gross island, the law calls for 25% on gross receipts for exports.

> Arthur B. Homer, president of Bethlehem Steel, which controls 125,000 acres, the largest surface and mining concession in Cuba, squirmed over the tax bite, labeling it "prohibitive" and "confiscatory."

The Agrarian Reform Institute also took 10,000 acres of land from the steel corporation and 65,000 acres from the Cuban Development Co. and Compania Phillips, two outfits representing American oil interests. In addition, 75,000 acres were recover-The CCF, however, welcomed ed from two U.S.-owned cattle

ernment bonds in place of cash. escape. International Harvester has is fully compensated."

Ward Cannel, Scripps-Howard and-file supporters were standcorrespondent, reported Oct. 31 ing ready outside the hall. that many groups of anti-Castro back a sure winner."

ican fears and interests must be Belgian militarists. played on (communism, Russia, movement is to get support."

ba's sugar quota.

They Denounced U.S. Meddling in Cuba



Provocative flights over Havana by Cuban counter-revolutionaries in U.S.-based planes brought this giant demonstration of Havana workers Oct. 26 to denounce U.S. intervention in Cuba, Since then there has been increased agitation, led by Premier Castro, for return of the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo Bay. The U.S. leases the 28,000-acre area from the Cuban government at the ridiculously low rental of \$3,386.25 a year. That's less than a cent an acre per month. President Eisenhower says he can't understand why the Cubans aren't more friendly.

Congolese Freedom Fighters Battle Belgian Imperialist Rule

leader precipitated fierce fight- tions scheduled for Dec. 15. ing and a strike movement in Stanleyville, second largest city of the Belgian Congo. Though it Compensation for lands taken nades against Congolese spears, dressing in the "new deal" for

This battle took place the evebalked at this, declaring that it ning of Oct. 30 when Belgian won't give up its 4,500-acre police and soldiers tried to storm henequen plantation "unless it the hall where MNC leaders were holding a conference prep-Meanwhile Castro has revived aratory to their annual conven-

Fighting spread throughout

Belgian authorities succeeded profits, etc.) if any anti-Castro in arresting Lumumba two days polls. The spreading of the boy-American investors and Wash- immediate independence and to capital of the northeast province, nervousness about their contin-Like a lot of other people, I order this week, but a special ington officials responded to last urge passive resistance and non-threatens to turn the December week's progressive moves with cooperation with the Belgian election into a stunning repudiathinly veiled threats to cut Cu- rulers until a firm schedule for tion of the Belgian government's pro-independent demonstrations terprise" system, with its laws cludes, "if this be incitement to independence is won. Particular- "new deal."

ly alarming to the Belgian im- | Ironically enough, the MNC An attempt by the Belgian im- perialists was his endorsement of used to be a moderate and perialists to arrest a nationalist a call to boycott the local elec- "reasonable" native movement, dustry set out to sell its hold- merely have to sit tight while

Window Dressing

will be made in long-term gov- Nationalist Movement (MNC), to now all Congolese organizations privileged Congolese, the mid- gain. regard the "new deal" program as too little and too late.

> While the Brussels plan promises election of a "skeleton" national assembly for the colony a year after the local elections, there is no commitment about this body ever attaining real power. And a promise of eventual independence is even

larmed for months at the sweep

Belgians tried to corrupt with against the mass of Congolese. the Belgians allow only 124 stu-

dents to reach the university.)

Belgian authorities have been people — all Congolese — have in gauging the temper of the and take their licking. of the sentiment for boycotting wounded. All year the Belgian with the certainty that the leaves it up to David McDonald, ed. Next day the poorly armed the December election in the Bas imperialists have been rushing strike will be resumed upon ex- who is president of the Steel-All the groups agree on one Congolese fought an armored Congo - western part of the troops, tanks and planes into piration of the 80-day injunc- workers union and would therething, says Cannel: "That Amer- column sent to the city by the huge colony. It is estimated that the colony. The harshly disci- tion. This has undoubtedly led fore face the loss of his Carte only one to five percent of the plined territorial forces are na- to some pressure on the steel Blanche at the Conrad Hilton in Congolese there will go to the tive conscripts — officered by bosses to conclude a negotiated a contempt judgment. He is a later. His crime was to call for cott campaign to Stanleyville, thorities have begun to display perceptible effect on the steel hope he will remember that ued reliability in putting down of their own people.

Determination of Pickets Shows Labor Haters Union Won't Surrender

With the Steelworkers strike now in its sixteenth week, major steel users are being forced to sharply curtail and in some cases shut down operations. In previous strikes

the pinch of shortages led to pressure from the big users for settlement. This time, however, confident that the Supreme Court will uphold the Taft-Hartley injunction and order the strikers back to work, the corporation heads remain faithful to their commitment to refrain from applying such pres-

The steel corporations pre pared in advance to forestall any pressure move by the auto companies and other big users. At the very beginning of the strike the magazine Business Week disclosed the measures taken by the steel industry to ine up its big customers.

In its July 18 issue, BW pointed out: "There are two possible pressures which could force the steel industry to give more ground than it is now prepared -privately—to pay for a labor agreement to its liking. One is growing, insistent pressure from the auto industry and totaled \$165,236,400. U.S. other principal consumers for a Steel alone took \$59 million resumption of steel production in tax rebates plus a deprecito meet shortages; the other is ation credit of \$15.9 million. pressure from Washington."

As for the first, BW reported property rights over human that "back in 1958, the steel in- rights, the steel monopolists compared to the militant Abako the-line philosophy to its big the struggle shifts from the ecowhich led the struggles early customers, the auto industry, nomic to the political field. As this year. After the Leopoldville particularly. It said, in effect, executive committee of the cap-These first local elections are fighting last January the Abako 'If you keep off our back, don't italist class the government is was Belgian guns and hand grethe principal item of window was outlawed and its leader, Jo- force us to give in, we'll deliver carrying forward the aims of seph Kasavubu, arrested. Com- you a no-cost-increase pattern the steel tycoons. over is based on tax evaluations, stones and bare fists, the free- the colony announced by the pared to Kasavubu, MNC Presi- you can use in your next union much lower than market prices, dom fighters held off the troops Belgian rulers following similar dent Lumumba was regarded as bargaining." Despite acute which both the union and the that were declared under the long enough for Patrice Lum- fighting in Leopoldville, the a sage and "tame" politician. He shortages the auto barons are steel corporations appear as corrupt Batista regime. Payment umba, leader of the Congolese Congo capital, last January. But belongs to the tiny stratum of keeping their part of the bar- "defendants" in the government

dle-class "evolues," whom the As for "pressure from Wash- ton, columnist for the New York ington" it has been almost ex- Post, writing from the courtprivileges and to use as buffers clusively in favor of the steel room in Philadelphia, said: monopolists. Eisenhower's use graduate. (Even today out of a the depletion of the large steel tion for a long strike.

been killed and many more ranks. They are now confronted whites - and recently the au- settlement. But it has had no poor thing but our only. But I corporations who know that in Philadelphia is also the city of this game they hold all the aces. George Alcorn and will tell

establishing the supremacy of sedition, may God reward me."

Tax Rebates Help Put Sugar in Steel Dividends Melon Steel stockholders received

their regular dividends for the third quarter despite the strike. The companies reported biggest losses in any quarter since the 1930's, but these were offset by record earnings during the first half of the year when the corporations stockpiled in anticipation of a strike. As a result industry profits for the first nine months of 1959 stood at \$594,202,443 as against \$468,~ 503,532 for the first nine months of 1958.

Tax rebates from the U.S. treasury cut down thirdquarter losses significantly. For seven companies rebates

Noting the legal travesty in injunction case, Murray Kemp-

"It goes now to the Supreme For example, Lumumba is that of the Taft-Hartley injunction Court of the United States. One Congolese rarity - a university was timed to correspond with counts to four in such cases and wonders where one can find the population of some 14 million inventory piled up in prepara- fifth to make a majority for good sense. After that I'm afraid Where the monopolists and it will be up to the Steelworkers In the sporadic outbreaks of their political henchmen in to decide in their own conscifighting since January, some 350 | Washington miscalculated was ences whether they will go back

> "That, in our managed society. Under our so-called "free en- them to go to hell. And," he con-

The Notorious Case of the "Air-Conditioned

air-conditioned crane cab.

As told by the steel monopolcompany air - conditioned the nothing to do with 2B."

the extra man was removed by union missed an important point, The propaganda of the em- decision of the arbitrator.

the now famous example of saddle the steel industry with grievance. union "featherbedding" put for- parasitic loafers and boondogward by the steel corporations glers. It was later picked up and pany had changed the crew size six months and that there was to justify their demand for un- dished out with relish by every from three to two and back no danger. conditional surrender of union labor-hating rag in the country, again many times over the working rules-the case of the It made a good story-but it years. just isn't true!

ists and broadcast throughout controversy, a New York Times marily to changes in the month- 2B section. The union had raised of Oct. 27, for example, there frauds who give their readers the length and breadth of the reporter investigated the facts. Iy tonnage of steel that the the health complaint in the land by their puppets, the story In the Oct. 31 issue Joseph R. cranes had to handle. The union early stages of the grievance reprint of an editorial from the right from the horse's mouth. "I goes like this: Upon complaint Loftus disclosed the result of said a tons-an-hour test had procedure but did not mention of the union that the intense a search that led through a care- been used. The umpire, Arthur it at the hearing before the umheat made it necessary to pro- ful examination of arbitration Stark, agreed with management pire. The umpire's decision menvide the crane operator with re- decisions. "The case of the air- and rejected the union's plea for tioned the point in passing. It lief an extra man was added to conditioned cab," says Loftus, a third man. "was a minor issue and had

the case went to arbitration that lated by the employers, the ever, Loftus adds:

says Loftus. "The case in ques- case was a union contention reach the "umpire" stage-and tense heat and was granted a ployers and their spokesmen on This case was first prominent- tion," he relates, "occurred at that fumes from the soaking pit, most times never gets there. relief man. Later, when the the "work-rules" issue in the ly featured in nationwide adver- the Bethlehem, Pa., plant. In where the cranes operated, were What obviously happened in the crane cab was air-conditioned. steel strike is saturated with dis- tisements as a horrible example April 1957, management reduc- a health hazard without a third "case of the air-conditioned cab" the union insisted the relief man tortion, half-truths and outright of the arbitrary and unreason- ed the crane cab from three to man for relief. Both the com- is that the change was made still was needed." Is it any wonfalsification. A case in point is able attempt of the union to two men. The union filed a pany and the umpire noted that long after the grievance started der that "Khrushchev Laughs?"

His curiosity piqued by the these changes were related pri- clause in the contract, not the ently." In the New York Times

"This," Loftus points out, "was Work - rules grievances are agement's position that the ed by the steel bosses is revealon retaining the extra man un- usually pretty complicated and change in conditions — cutting ed to be a colossal hoax. What der clause 2B of the union con- this one proved no exception. the cab crew from three men to the facts do demonstrate, how- this indictment based? You tract dealing with work rules In exposing the fakery of the two-had been practiced when ever, is the cumbersome process guessed it the first time-"The and conditions. It was not until air-conditioned cab story circu- monthly tonnage fell off." How- and glacial progress made under classic example," the editorial but whose jobs must be filled

"A subsidiary part of that usually takes many months to operator who suffered from in-"The facts were that the com- air-conditioned in the preceding bitration.

"The company contended that related to a health and safety right to run its business effici- ding" unions. was not controlling.'

a 2B decision supporting man- "featherbedding" so far produc- to force management to employ his contract required the em-

the cabs of the cranes had been its weary way toward final ar- He, at least, has a sense of hu-

"the air conditioning angle was depriving management of "the beleaguered by the "featherbedappears as an advertisement a the inside dope which they get New Bedford (Mass.) Standard talked with the director of a Times, entitled: "Khrushchev steel firm the other night," laughs!" 100-day-old steel strike," the of the Christian Science Monitor editorial heatedly declaims, "is and president of the U.S. Cham-Thus the only specific case of whether the union can continue ber of Commerce, "who told me

workers it doesn't need."" And upon what evidence is a grievance procedure that proclaims, "is that of the crane

mor-which is more than can be The crane-cab case had been said for the pen prostitutes who parlayed into the general charge | solicit public sympathy for the "In sum," Loftus concludes, that union "featherbedding" is virtuous steel bosses so sorely

> Then you have the pious "The real issue in the writes Erwin D. Canham, editor ployment of many men who were no longer economically necessary-had been rendered redundant by new machines-

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By Harry Ring

The development of electronic

engineering has brought high-

fidelity music systems, tape re-

corders and television into the

It has also brought "electronic

eavesdropping," an extension of

the invidious practice of tele-

phone wiretapping, which ac-

cording to technicians in the

field, is being superseded in the

Tiny but highly sensitive micro-

phones are now slipped behind

an innocent picture on the wall

or back of a radiator. Others are

inserted in telephones to record

all conversations in a room when

the phone isn't in use. Concealed

cameras and even closed circuit

television are also in the arsenal

of professional snoopers. Tape

recorders take down conversa-

tions and tests have demonstra-

ted they can be "edited" to con-

vey a meaning the exact opposite

Along with wiretapping, use

of the new electronic devices is

widespread in this country and

he practice is on the increase

according to a 16-month study

former Philadelphia district at-

Covering nine major U.S.

cities, the study was made by

the Pennsylvania Bar Associa-

tion Endowment under a grant

provided by the Fund for the

Republic. The findings have just

been published by Rutgers Uni-

versity in a book entitled, "The

The Federal Communications

Act of 1934 prohibits the inter-

ception of any message, verbal

or written, and the U.S. Crimi-

nal Code provides stiff fines and

imprisonment for violation of

But at an Oct. 25 New York

great bulk of illegal electronic

spying is done by law enforce-

ment officers, employers and li-

"Business officials," he said,

have been authorizing installa-

tion of concealed microphones in

29,000 Law Violations

censed private investigators.

Eavesdroppers."

of what was actually said.

art of secret surveillance.

American home.

Those 40-Ton Earth-Movers Secret Police Art of 'Hi-Fi" Eavesdropping Wake Me Up Each Morning

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 25 - Each morning at six, six days a week, regular as an alarm clock, I'm awakened by the roar of giant 40ton earth-movers as they gouge into Lookout Mountain, which stands just beyond my windows. The earth-movers pick up their 40-ton payload of dirt and speed down the hill at an unbelievable 40 to 50 miles an hour.

Chavez Ravine, close by the civic center, but wild and neglected, is at last being developed. But not into the beautiful low-cost housing project planned by architect Richard Neutra. Lookout Mountain is now called O'Malley's Hill and the Euclid scrapers race to level the land for a "beautiful ballpark," like the official statement said, and even more beautiful profits for Walter O'Malley and the Dodgers Baseball

In 1937 federal assistance was granted to states for public housing, supplemented by additional funds in 1949.

In August of 1949 the Los Angeles City Council authorized the City Housing Authority to build 10,000 low-cost units, with 3,360 units in Chavez Ravine.

The land was condemned for that purpose. Mexican-Americans who had bought little homes and lived quiet rural lives there for generations were told to get out.

Toward the end of 1951; the City Council, by a majority of one, repudiated the housing contract. It is felt here that this was brought about by the pressure of real-estate interests. The following year the state Supreme Court ordered the city to honor the contract and the

U.S. Supreme Court upheld this decision. This was followed by city-wide balloting on a proposition worded in "a jumble of legalistic phrases," as Frontier magazine put it. The result, which had no legal bearing, showed 59% of the voters against the housing project.

In the spring of 1953 Norris Poulson, an accountant put up by the Los Angeles Times, took the mayor's job away from Fletcher Bowron, with Chavez Ravine a top issue in the Poulson worked fast. By August the City

Housing Authority sold Chavez Ravine to the city, but with a sale deed that read, "to be used for public purposes only." This clause didn't stop Poulson and a large

part of the City Council from negotiating with O'Malley to turn Chavez Ravine into a Dodger

The contract calls for handing O'Malley

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political activity and elections

would make its strength and

National Democrats - all too

Such revelation of the true

relationship of class forces

could be a new goad to the

masses of workers and peasants.

And it would undermine the

posedly equal strength.

315 acres, located 10 minutes from the central business area, in return for the old 12-acre Wrigley Field, valued at \$2 million. Generally accepted estimates are that after grading and roads are in (all by the city and county at an expense of nearly \$5 million) O'Malley's 315 acres will be worth \$15 million.

The gigantic O'Malley profits-play doesn't stop there. A parcel of 180 acres will be used for the stadium. The contract calls for rezoning the remaining area to C-3, the most coveted zoning in the city, permitting the tallest buildings, with stores, hotels, and almost anything of a commercial nature. The contract names O'Malley "or his nominee" so that he is free to sell this area for commercial exploitation.

In order to shove aside the "for use for public purposes only" clause in the Chavez Ravine deed, and in answer to 50,000 signers of a petition protesting the contract, the give-away was put on the ballot as a referendum.

Then all the major means of communication were turned loose. The contract was thoroughly distorted. The issue was baseball of no baseball, they said. Headline readers were thoroughly mesmerized by the "hidden persuad-Even then the vote was close — but O'Malley got his contract.

In the month following the June 1958 referendum, Superior Judge Arnold Praeger ruled directed by Samuel Dash, a the Dodger contract illegal. Encouraged, Attorney Phill Silver filed 12 briefs on behalf of taxpayers and the "Citizens Committee to Save Chavez Ravine." Last week the U.S. Supreme Court refused to hear the case.

Cocky O'Malley, anticipating the Supreme Court decision, had already started his earthmovers roaring on a 10-hour day, with generous permission from city officials to work them on a 24-hour basis. Surveyors have already leftheir mysterious marks around the neighborhood. Today's papers announced that one access to the stadium will go right through the house

About half the city has protested the Dodger Corporation contract and the huge land grab. Some feel so strongly about the steal that they couldn't even get excited when the Dodgers were battling the White Sox.

Mostly the protests are mild. Full implications have not yet sunk in. Unions like the Hotel and Restaurant Workers are happy about it. Bu it will be many years before it is forgotten. No even a Supreme Court decision can convert a

(as the CPers are often called)

So far Kassim has remained

silent about such a party - bu'

tion of a Kassim party would

Heretofore the CP has not

"guilty." For the CP to present

adies' rooms and mens' rooms in he business office or plant." | March. Its failure impelled Iraq and would "curb the anarchists"

that in the year 1957 New York version. . ."

By Daniel Roberts

cates that the Indian capitalist

class, by exploiting the border

conflict with China, has been

able to weaken the working-

onstration was led by the Com-

munist party and therefore fitted

into the Chinese scheme of "tak-

The Indian Communist party

has become a heavy casualty of

patrol. The genuine socialist

current in India, which on prin-

lution and the Chinese workers'

vinist hysteria whipped up by

Nehru has been able to play

China. Inside India, as well as

criticized only for his "naive-

China's cause internationally

and not at all for abetting a

the capitalist class.

struggles in India.

ing over" India.

All available evidence indi-

basis of Kassim's classically headed by him and having as on two opposing forces of supon t ternationally accepted atlases, and his successors. The Stalinist which as late as 1936, showed course reflects the narrow and the boundary at the line claimed reactionary outlook of a privby Peking instead of at the Mc-Mahon line, some 50 or 100 miles rules dictatorially in Russia and

Peking's Indian Border Moves

That isn't a disguise being

worn by secret police chief J.

Edgar Hoover. He uses more

modern methods of snooping,

including telephone wiretaps.

ed by court orders.

enforcement of that law.

the circumstances warrant it."

very simple. The "red menace."

startling.

Indian masses?

Is it really worthwhile for

Peking's course plays into the throughout the West, Nehru is hands of the Indian capitalists. and this is criminally stupid. The ialism or its agents does not depend on clinging to Himalayan jingoist campaign designed to wastelands, populated by nonist revolution throughout Asia. This requires Peking to bend backward on the border question

Stalinist Policy

The policy of the Mao regime

said, "was set by the late President Roosevelt on May 21, 1940.' Hoover made these admissions

of the land. "The policy we fol-low on wiretapping," Hoover

in a bold move to make capital out of the worst black eye his agency had yet received. At the time a major scandal over FBI wiretapping was making headlines in every front page in the country. Hoover followed the military dictum that the best defense is the offense. He demanded that Congress legalize wiretapping.

Coplon Case

The exposure of the FBI's flouting of the law came at the end of 1949 during the trial of Judith Coplon, a government employe. Along with Valentin Gubitchev, a Russian engineer at the UN, she was charged with Defense attorneys established

that the FBI had violated the law on three counts. Its agents had planted a microphone in Miss Coplon's office and had tapped her phone prior to her arrest. Evidence obtained through this unlawful activity bounds." was used in court despite the sand of these taps were authorizlegal ban on such tainted evidence. And, as the record made Dash said that at a later date clear, FBI agents had committed he hopes to undertake a similar perjury by swearing they had study of the wiretapping activity 'no knowledge" of wiretapping of federal agencies. If he gets to in the case. Some of them were do it, the results will certainly later compelled to admit they be useful - and to many people, participated in doing it. On the basis of already exist-

But a really powerful stench ing evidence, it is entirely safe hit the public nostril when it was to predict that such a study would reveal that the principal revealed that the FBI had not only tapped Miss Coplon's phone violator of the anti-wiretap law before her arrest but had gone is none other than the Federal Bureau of Investigation which is so far as to tap telephone consupposed to be responsible for versations between her and her lawyer after her arrest!

Exposure of these outrageous Almost a decade ago J. Edgar secret-police methods, as Miss press conference, Dash said his Hoover told a Congressional Coplon's conviction was restudy had demonstrated that the committee that the FBI was versed, brought bitter denuncitapping "only" 170 phones at ations of the FBI from prominent that particular time and that it public figures. The most outwould continue doing so "when spoken blast came from former Secretary of the Interior Harold How is it possible for the head of the country's top law-enforce-

Writing in the Jan. 9, 1950. ment agency to freely admit that New Republic, Ickes declared: he is breaking the law? It's all "If the FBI so disregards legal propriety — to say nothing of It is necessary, Hoover assertcommon decency - as to tap ed, "to utilize this technique to telephone wires in order to hear Among policemen, he added, protect our country from those what a lawyer and client may he prize winners are the New who would enslave us and are say to each other, then it is time York City cops. He estimated engaged in treason and sub- for a free people who never have and, it may be hoped, never will, police tapped more than 30,000 And besides, he had top au- tolerate a secret police, to abolphones and that less than a thou- thorization for ignoring the law ish the FBI if nothing short of

Roosevelt found it compatible with his "Four Freedoms" propaganda, to give the FBI the green light on tapping people's telephones.

that will keep it within proper

Condemning the agency's 'cynical breach of the law.' Ickes added that its gang-busting record could not "serve as justification of the Bureau's Peeping Tomism' and doorcrack listening in order to pick up envious or malicious gossip not only knew about it but had to be used against government employes and others who are bers of Columbus's finest were denied their constitutional right to defend themselves."

Hoover's "I-am-above-the-law" attitude, Ickes wrote: "In the circumstances it is proper to recall that whereas every other police official of high or low degree is responsible to someone else, the FBI alone seems to have a dangerous immunity from responsibility to some higher authority. . . It is undemocratic and dangerous for one man, whoever he may be, to have such power as J. Edgar Hoover has arrogated for himself."

"The late Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes called wiretapping a 'dirty business,' " Ickes concluded. "Today it is even dirtier." That was almost ten years ago. It has become a lot dirtier since.

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prop a crisis-ridden bourgeois regime. The Main Issue

The reactionary domestic uses the most important aspect of the China's side. Sino-Indian dispute. It is true that even some pro-Western propaganda organs have conced-

to the north, which New Delhi contends is the correct frontier.

class movement and to check But does it really benefit the independent working-class Chinese revolution to assert the country's claims in such a way In Calcutta a few weeks ago as to alienate the Indian working the Indian government used the people? Or for that matter to pretext of China's "aggression" assert these claims at all if they to shoot into a crowd demoncan be used by Nehru to blunt strating for bread. The alibi ofthe socialist consciousness of the fered by the government for its wanton action was that the dem-

"We will never recognize the McMahon line," declared every speaker at the National People's Congress session following Chou En-lai. It was fixed by British imperialism and represented aggression against Tibet and China. This is very true. But the boundary line claimed by the Chinese was fixed by the old Manchu

China to keep alive a complicatciple defends the Chinese revo- ed dispute with nationalist India now that both the Manchus and state, must now buck a chau- British imperialism have been removed from the scene? Why question by pulling its border deceitful game, posing as the patrols well out of the disputed apostle of reasonable solutions zone and by negotiating a speedy of the border conflict, while his settlement, even one that gives fellow Congress-party members the Indians the best of the demand stern action against agreement?

ness" in previously championing defense of China against imper-Chinese nomads, nearly as much as on the extension of the socialto which the Indian capitalists so as not to affront the nationalmanaged to put the Chinese fir- ist feelings of the Asian masses ing on Indian border troops is and so as to win them firmly to

ed that Peking's case is cogent. in the border dispute is not an lomatic or military gains the The Sino-Indian boundary issue, episodic tactical error but flows Chinese Stalinists win from the as Premier Chou En-lai said in from its ingrained nationalistic current border clashes can't poshis Sept. 11 speech to China's course, embodied in the policy sibly compensate for the loss to National People's Congress, is of building "socialism in one China of the Indian people's "a complicated question left over country." This policy is essenti- good will, which the Mao burfrom history." Chinese carto- ally the same as the one pursued eaucracy is dissipating through graphers give a long list of in- in the Soviet Union by Stalin its present adventuristic course.

ileged bureaucratic caste that in China. The Stalinist bureaucracy con-

stantly brushes aside the feelings of the working people in other countries instead of attuning its diplomatic and military moves to their political consciousness. Unlike Lenin and Trotsky who regarded the pro-Soviet sympathies of the working people in other lands as the best weapon in the arsenal of the workers' state, the Stalinists readily squander these sympathies. On numerous occasions, they have traded the good-will of the masses abroad to further diplomatic moves or acquire territory. To the nationalist bureaucrats a 100-mile "buffer zone" seems to be a far better military guarantee than the friendship and support of the international working

Thus in 1939, Stalin violated the national feelings of the Polish people and antagonized working people throughout the world by his cynical deal with shouldn't Peking simplify the Hitler. He transformed eastern Poland into a buffer zone and added the Baltic countries and part of Rumania to it - all without taking the wishes of the population of these countries into account.

> When Hitler's armies struck eastward in 1941, the peoples of the buffer zone, alienated from the USSR by Stalin's brutal disregard of their feelings, remained passive. The buffer territory proved to be of little value militarily, whereas the working people's pro-Soviet sympathies, if they had not been squandered might have been enlisted to help slow down the German armies. Again, today, the Kremlin

doggedly occupies East Germany regardless of the fact that this keeps the sympathies of the German working-class alienated from the Soviet Union. Similarly, whatever small dip-



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"The circumstances of the case at bar are somewhat analogous, albeit in different terms, to those in re Debs. . ."

That was a major point of legal precedence in the Oct. 27 majority opinion of the Court of Appeals upholding the issuance of a Taft-Hartley injunction in the steel strike. And "In Re Debs" was point number one in a series of precedents cited by the government in reply to the Steelworkers appeal to the Supreme Court against the injunction.

Judges and lawyers are well known for their ability to pluck a precedent out of thin air to bolster a bad case. But they did have reason to look back to the notorious 1895 Supreme Court decision which appears in the law books under the name of the famed pioneer socialist leader, Eugene V. Debs.

That was the decision in which the Supreme Court upheld the first federal injunction ever issued for the purpose of smashing a strike — the strike of the American Railway Union, under the leadership of Debs, against the Pullman Company. At the same time the high court upheld a six-month contempt-of-court prison term for Debs for defying the injunction.

The present Taft-Hartley steel injunction was issued in the name of safeguarding "national health and safety." In the Pullman strike, it was put more crudely — "abatement of a public nuisance." But government strikebreaking in the 1890's lacked today's polish.

The workers at the company town of Pullman, just outside of Chicago, had joined the year-old American Railway Union organized by Debs. They struck May 11, 1894, after some of their leaders were fired for protesting wage cuts of 25

The rest of the membership of the ARU then voted not to handle any Pullman cars. This shut down virtually all rail traffic out of Chicago. The strike spread and the well-organized rail magnates threw their weight behind Pullman and quickly paved the way for government intervention.

With federal authorization, several thousand men were hired both as company employes and U.S. deputies. Mail trains were hooked on back of Pullmans so that strikers could be charged with "obstructing" U.S. mail.

Federal troops were dispatched to Chicago and other rail centers. Twentyfive strikers were killed and 60 seriously injured. Hundreds were jailed. The Grover Cleveland administration assigned a railroad lawyer as Assistant Attorney General to prepare its first anti-labor injunction. It was quickly issued. Then union headquarters were raided and Debs and other officials arrested. The combined government-employer assault proved too much for the young union which was fighting without support from the AFL leadership. The strike was broken and the American Railway Union smashed.

"The circumstances are somewhat analogous, albeit in different terms," now says the Court of Appeals. True enough... The intent of government intervention in elected Constituent Assembly the steel strike is quite recognizably analogous to its intervention in the Pullman of an appointed Consultative to the deteriorating economic strike. The difference in terms is that it confronts a powerful, well-established held in 1955, Soekarno's own union that has the backing of the entire party, the PNI (Partai Nasional labor movement. Otherwise the outcome Indonesia), a bourgeois nationmight be much the same, too.

The UI-SC Dissolves

The United Independent - Socialist Committee at its meeting Oct. 29 decided to dissolve "because of substantial differences over electoral policy in 1960." It was further decided by unanimous agreement that the members of the committee would continue to cooperate in winding up the organizational affairs of the body and in holding a testimonial dinner in honor of William A. Price who worked so energetically and effectively as Executive Secre-

The UI-SC was the continuations committee of the coalition that ran the Independent-Socialist party campaign in the 1958 New York state elections.

Following the election, the UI-SC conducted a lively discussion on socialist electoral policy for 1960. The different viewpoints on the committee were faithfully reported to the radical public in a Newsletter and at public conferences.

At its concluding conference Sept. 26-27, representatives of all radical organizations were invited to present their views. The Communist party and the Socialist

Workers party debated their positions at this two-day gathering along with the lem feudalist party, seven milmembers of the UI-SC.

It is clear that the SWP will continue proclaimed his attachment to a to do everything in its power to assure a system of "guided" democracy socialist presidential campaign. Among the or government by a National independents who are not affiliated with Council composed of represenorganized socialist parties, there is a close tatives of all parties plus perdivision. Some, like Dr. Annette T. Rubin- sons appointed by the Fresident. caused concern amongst large stein, vigorously favor continuation of the fell over itself with eagerness sections of the bourgeoisie. united efforts that had such a promising to accept the proposition. The Speaking for these sections, Genbeginning in 1958. Undoubtedly these in- opposition of the feudal re- eral Nasution, the army chief of dependents will make their own proposals actionaries who did not want to staff, and other prominent army for further action, now that the UI-SC has dissolved. Other independents hold various the scheme. views on what to do.

At this point we wish to congratulate no established a "Cabinet of ganizing the mass following of the members of the committee on the way Experts" to run the government the PKI against this threat to mah of Ghana exercises dictatorthey engaged in fruitful united action, in the way they honestly debated differences, and in the way they dissolved the committee when differences became too great include any representative of ticipate in the government. for united action. The UI-SC has provided a model to the radical movement on how differences as well as agreement should be handled.

Disarmament Moves?

What does Eisenhower intend to do about Khrushchev's offer of mutual total disarmament? In some circles of the radical movement the hope appears to be high that the president will put the interests of mankind above those of the capitalist class which he represents and accept Khrushchev's offer, or at least Khrushchev's alternative proposal of disarmament on the installment plan.

Two recent moves by Washington might be taken as providing grounds for this hope. (1) The Pentagon seems to be receptive to a plan to neutralize Antarctica. (2) The State Department announced Oct. 30 an agreement to negotiate as soon as possible on withdrawal from five U.S. Air Force and Naval bases in Morocco.

Anyone inclined to view these two moves as concessions to the pressure for disarmament would do well to consider these interpretations:

C. L. Sulzberger, well-known correspondent of the New York Times, wrote from Scott Base (Nov. 2), "Our leading generals are convinced that the great south polar land mass has far less strategic value than the great north polar water mass. For it is in the latter icy wastes that our Polaris submarines can find their most convenient hiding places."

"America's major Antarctic concern, militarily speaking," continued Sulzberger, "is to deny this continent to Russia as a base. . . . It is . . . in our interest to insure that this vast region should never be turned by the Russians into a kind of Antarctic 'Albania.'"

The Pentagon calculation is painfully clear. The American generals see no reason for putting any of their nuclear eggs into deep freeze at the South Pole. They

want them at the opposite side of the globe - near the Soviet Union's Arctic beaches. So the demilitarization of Antarctica would constitute a military gain for American imperialism so long as the Arctic remains open to nuclear pig boats.

On the Moroccan move, Courtney Sheldon of the Christian Science Monitor wrote from Washington Oct. 31: "Advances in military technology underlie the contraction of United States bases. . ." The advance is in developing "6,500-mile Atlas missiles which can be fired from American soil and in building the 1,500-mile Polaris missile which can be fired from submarines."

Thus like the move in Antarctica, the withdrawal from Morocco really reflects a step-up in American armaments - not disarmament.

The withdrawal from the Moroccan bases also entails other cold-blooded calculations. The five bases cost about \$500,-000,000; maintenance runs about \$35,000. 000 a year and accompanying "aid" to the Moroccan government is about another \$30,000,000. The "cutbacks" can thus be interpreted says Sheldon, "as a victory for those in Washington who are worried recognition by the U.S. was rec- should recognize Communist about the United States balance of pay- ommended Oct. 31 to the Senate China at the present time . . . I ments — the outflow of gold from the Foreign Relations Committee by do not believe it is wise to con-cluded in the coalition for the ally from the ban placed upon United States."

In addition, the State Department has San Francisco, urged informal mainland in the naive belief But Who Will indicated that the move gives visiting discussion with U.S. allies and that they will somehow go Moroccan Premier Abdallah Ibrahim a with neutrals on admitting the away." timely present to take back to a people People's Republic of China to How the 600,000,000 Chinese inclined to display restiveness over Ameri-

The Militant has maintained that If feasible, the U.S. would public, neither Fulbright nor the Eisenhower is not likely to grant any sub- then negotiate a commercial Conlon group explained. Nor did out of the country in order to roost as we said they would; the says Szulc. stantial concessions in the way of dis- treaty with Peking and "if suc- they comment on Peking's protect its white children and Communist party itself is under armament. Washington's two current by de facto recognition." moves would seem to confirm this view.



"High time they stopped them from featherbedding. It's much too good for the common people."

How Communist Party Helped Soekarno Set Up Dictatorship

Indonesia proclaimed a return to the 1945 constitution which makes him absolute ruler of crushed. Indonesia. At the same time he dissolved the democratically and proclaimed the formation million. Principally this was due

At the last general elections alist party, polled eight million votes - about 26% of the total. The other three major parties were the PKI (Communist) six million, the NU (Nahadatul gave their support to the plan. Ulama), a Moslem peasant party, seven million, and the extremely reactionary Masjumi, a Mos-

On Feb. 21, 1957, Soekarno

and appointed a National Coun- its, own existence, the PKI ial powers in ruling Ghana. Soekarno.

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Local elections in 1958 showed an increase in the PKI vote to a total of eight and a half talist governments. estimated at figures ranging from 10 to 25% of the popula-

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Return to 1945

Despite its meek policy, the sons appointed by the President. election successes of the PKI prevented complete adoption of a return to the 1945 constitution, which provided for presidential Finally, in July 1957, Soekar- rule by decree. Instead of or cil with limited powers. As leadership stated that they These include a Preventive Demight be expected, Soekarno would accept the 1945 constitutention Act, passed last fall, un-"dumped" the PKI and did not tion provided they could par-

the PKI in the Cabinet. This Of course Soekarno and Nafact did not prevent the PKI sution have not included the trials or appeals. The act is one from continuing to support PKI in their Bonaparte-type government — the key positions To divert the attention of the now being filled by representamasses from their economic tives of the army. The net result have waged a fervent nationalist tution is that the workers and campaign for the incorporation peasants of Indonesia have sufof Dutch-occupied Irian or West fered an overwhelming defeat course of the campaign in De- their weakness have gained ab-

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Van Doren's confession of collusion in the rigging of he TV quiz show on which he starred, along with his equally shocking confession of how he lied about it until he

flicted a wound in public con- on from coast to coast let's face fidence so profound that it is difficult to find an analogy. sorrow.' One hesitates to suggest such

grave comparison, for it seems almost beyond imagination, but perhaps it is the only thing that fits. It is as if the vast audience that sits enthralled before 58,-000,000 TV screens night after night, week after week, year in and year out, were suddenly to see the hero in the Western turn out just as vile, crooked and hateful as the villain.

Could anything more outraeous than that be conceived in his high-minded, moralistic, dolar-scorning America which sets such high store in its geniuses and the value of an education?

Van Doren's most serious, most reprehensible, most unforgivable crime was to get caught. All the moralists of the pulpit and press, not forgetting his employers at NBC and Columbia, who have nailed him to the pillory and skinned him alive are doing the right thing. He deserves exactly what he's getting as a moral lesson; that is, to be turned into a scapegoat. None of them, you can be sure, will ever get caught like that. Not while they're able to stay smart!

Great Moralist

Some of the profoundest lessons in this "national tragedy," as he puts it with rare feeling and columnist Marquis Childs. "As with everything that happens on the American stage," he writes in a deeply moving and cloth coat for your wife from a pregnant passage, "this cannot help but have international implications."

Need we go on? Childs puts in the very next sentence: "The world, and the roster is by no

our moment of truth. "For our friends it is a source of great

Yes, it's not only a national tragedy, it's one of those nightmares that bring whole hemispheres to chagrin and tears. ". . . they know the uses that will be made of it by enemies of America on the left and right. It will be held up as another bit of evidence that despite all the protestations about spiritual values, so often articulated by President Eisenhower, the values of the mind and the spirit take second place to money." Van Doren "berayed" our society.

There you have it. How could you be so "like a child," as you phrased it, Charles Van Doren, when you are 33 years old? How could you get tied up with an advertising agency that couldn't come up with any better script han the one you recited before the congressional investigators?

Slipped His Mind

Why didn't you recall, with all your intelligence and phenomenal memory, how Nixon, another American hero with child-like taking ways, got out of an even worse jam? Wasn't there anyone around those rigged TV shows to remind you of how Slippery Dick was running for vice president in 1952 and how right in the middle of the campaign he was exposed as having been fixed by a Southfor the exact word, have been ern California gang of private enterprisers?

All you had to do was rent a cocker spaniel, the way Nixon did, name him Checkers, get a costume house, and put the whole family on TV.

You would have come out of the quiz mess clean as a hound's it with almost brutal frankness tooth, our boy again, a finer, brighter, more lovable hero. In enemies of America around the a few years, with such a demonstration of political sagacity, you might even have become a leading contender for presidency of the United States.

Wouldn't that have been the

- Paul Abbott

Headlines in Other Lands

Ghana Jailings

Prime Minister Kwame Nkruder which about 45 persons have been imprisoned for terms up to five years without hearings, of several "security" measures China is on the wane, says Takprotested by the Opposition United Party.

Nkrumah heads the People's Convention party which holds from Peking. In May 1958, the 86 out of 104 seats in Parliament. Mao Tse-tung regime abruptly His supporters say the tough "se- suspended trade with Japan, becurity" measures are needed to cause the Kishi government reprevent overthrow of the government by a discontented mi- ognition to the People's Republic

Communist Party In Iceland Polls Strong Vote

orised its opponents in the Ice- than we are now," one business land elections on Oct. 27 when leader told Oka. But for the the CP-led Labor Alliance won present Japan's capitalists are re-16% of the popular vote and ten seats out of 60 in Parliament. La- mainland markets. bor Alliance campaigned on the ssue of closing the NATO base at Keflavik airfield.

n the vote, some leaders of the conservative Independent party and of the Social Democratic party are thinking of including Protest Ban on the CP in a coalition government, according to the Oct. 29 Union Conference New York Times. The Independents and Social Democrats were allies in the previous governthe Icelandic Federation of of the Communist party. Trade Unions, it might be in-

Protect Them From Hertzog?

children, less-developed people launched a broadside against abortive invasions from Cuba.

be dominated by the bourgeoisie officers began to call in 1959 for Opposition Protests | and other races can be very de- another national rank-and-file

Japanese Capitalists Abandon Drive for Trade with China

Interest of Japanese businessmen in trade with mainland ashi Oka in the Oct. 29 Christian Science Monitor. The reason is that they find no encouragement fused to extend diplomatic rec f China.

Up to then Japanese businessmen were pressuring their government to extend the scope of economic relations with the People's Republic. "If Peking were to . . . start up a brisk trade with selected Western countries, we

The Communist party sur- might become a bit more restive signed to doing without Chinese

The Kishi regime won't recognize Peking because this would mean a break with Chiang Kai-Because of its strong showing shek's Taiwan regime.

British Socialists

The Socialist Labor League is protesting a ban placed by the ment and will in all likelihood Executive Council of the Amalform the new government. They gamated Engineering Union on a want to promote "anti-inflation" shop steward's conference orcurbs. Because the CP controls ganized by prominent members

"This decision follows logicthe national industrial rank-andfile conference organized by the the Oct. 31 Newsletter, weekly publication of the SLL.

"The Communist party sup-

structive," Post and Telegraph conference called for Nov. 15 by Minister Hertzog told a Johan- the Socialist Labor League. J. R. Campbell, a CP spokesman nounced the SLL-sponsored National Assembly of Labor, claiming that the SLL is a "disruptive" organization and that it

promotes dual unionism. Campbell then incants the itualistic Stalinist slanders against the Socialist Labor League. He equates the League's criticism of "peaceful coexistence" with opposition to peace and its stand against the Soviet bureaucracy's suppression of denocracy as "anti-Soviet."

Arms Build-Up **Puts Trujillo** In Deep Hole

Dictator Trujillo of the Dominican Republic is secretly negotiating with several Canadian banks for \$40 million in loans to finance recent arms purchases, according to Tad Szulc in the Oct. 27 New York Times.

The government has conceded hat "defense" expenditures for the first half of 1959 exceeded \$50 million in addition to regular budget appropriations of \$25 million. The heavy arms buildup is directed against a "plot" by Cuba and Venezuela to "communize the Caribbean," Vice-President Joaquin Balaguer said Oct. 31. Dominican arms purchases include new French tanks and French Mystere jets.

Trujillo's outlays for weapons appears "to have deeply injured the Dominican economy," says Szulc. It ate up financial reserves which otherwise would have helped to cover losses from drought and from low sugar prices on the world market.

Though Dominican officials deny that the government is seeking foreign loans, they admit to an increase in commercial credits to cover foreign-trade Newsletter last November," says losses. Recently, too, Trujillo warned that the government might not have enough money to pay the usual Christmas bonus ported the witch-hunters last of a month's salary to governyear in their attacks on the ment officials. The cost of living The South African govern- Newsletter Conference. Now the in the Dominican republic rose ment is going to keep television chickens have come home to 20% between July and October,

Anti-regime underground activities are also reported on the "The effect of wrong shows on Nothing daunted, the CP increase after last summer's

This is a story of a boy who narrowly escaped being railroaded to the electric chair by corrupt "law enforcement" officers and by a judge seeking political capital in juvenile delinquency. It is Peter Manceri's story.

He is a 15-year-old high school student who lives with his family in East New York (Brooklyn). Last July 30 Manceri and Dorothy Stauf, 13, were in Highland Park when the brutal "stomp" murder of Edward Butler occurred.

A few days later Manceri was charged with Butler's murder. The police had "discovered" an "eye witness" in Dorothy Stauf who claimed she saw Manceri beat the 65-year-old man to the ground and stomp on him in a fit

Another youth, Robert Lashinsky, 14, intimidated by police officers who threatened to lift his probation, signed a statement implicating Manceri in the crime. Although young Lashinsky later recanted his statement, Dorothy Stauf stuck to her story.

When Manceri protested his innocence in Brooklyn Week End Court on Aug. 3 Magistrate Benjamin H. Schor reduced the youth to tears when he told him, "You might face the electric chair." Thus the noose was tightened around

From the beginning the case against Manceri appears to have been a frame-up. When the trial began before Judge Leibowitz Oct. 19, Dorothy Stauf testified as the prosecution's only "eyewitness." Defense attorney, Abraham Brodsky, succeeded in weakening the girl's story.

However, the real break in the case came when Brodsky cross-examined Detective Frank

Boccio. Brodsky forced Boccio to admit that the victim had made a death-bed statement. The prosecution had never mentioned this statement although it was on file in the District Attorney's office before Manceri was arrested.

Boccio revealed parts of the victim's statement which decisively proved that Dorothy Stauf was lying. The New York Post reports Oct. 29: "He said he had been attacked from behind; she said the first blow was to the face. He said he was seated when the assault began: she said he was walking away." Butler also told Boccio that he had been attacked by two youths. The detective withheld this information at the trial and insisted along with the prosecution that one person committed the murder.

At this point, instead of throwing the case out of court, Leibowitz merely threw out the charge of first-degree murder. Brodsky then put three of Dorothy Stauf's friends on the stand to testify that she told them, "I lied that Peter had killed a man."

After the "blue ribbon" jury acquitted Manceri on Oct. 26 Judge Nathan Sobel, who had arraigned the youth last summer, denounced the Newfoundland Democratic Leibowitz and District Attorney Edward S. Silver. His charge that they are equally guilty of withholding evidence of Manceri's innocence is now being investigated by the State Judicial

Judge Leibowitz responded to Judge Sobel publicly to "keep his filthy mouth shut."

Young Peter Manceri is lucky. But what about other young people victimized by venal cops and notoriety-seeking judges?

Is McCarthy Dead or Alive?

- By Herman Chauka

NEW YORK, Nov. 5 - McCarthy may be dead but he left a substantial witch-hunting legacy. Thirty American citizens who now face jail are particularly aware of this fact. Their sole "crime" is that they defied national or state inquisitorial committees which sought to pry into their beliefs and associations. Defense of the First Amendment by the 30 has been labelled "criminal contempt."

At a rally slated here tonight, the newly organized Committee of First Amendment Defendants will open a drive to develop a wide public defense of the First Amendment freedoms placed in jeopardy by Congress and the Supreme Court.

The committee is already winning support. This was reflected in a telegram addressed to tonight's rally from Irving Dilliard, Editor of the Editorial Page of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Mr. Dilliard wired: "Friends of freedom at November 5 meeting; From Runnymede till this very night our liberties have been in the keeping of the perceptive and heroic few who care enough about human rights to stake everything in their own lives with calm assurance that history will vindicate them and the risks they run and the sacrifices they make. May God bless and sustain every front-line soldier in

the defense against tyranny over the mind of

One of those prepared to "stake everything" is Dr. Willard Uphaus, a principal speaker at tonight's rally. Dr. Uphaus, 68, faces what could well be life imprisonment. He is the director of World Fellowship Center, an inter-faith, interracial summer camp in Conway, New Hampshire. Dr. Uphaus was convicted of "contempt" for refusing to turn his camp's guest list over to a state witch-hunting committee. According to the sentence, he will remain in prison until he "purges" himself by yielding the list. Tonight Dr. Uphaus' theme will be "Why

I Will Say No Again.' The rally will also hear Lloyd Barenblatt,

the young psychologist who is about to enter prison for six months for his defense of the First Amendment against the House Un-American Activities Committee.

In an advance text of his speech, Barenblatt hit at the assertion that it is only the accused who suffer from the witch-hunt and that the "respectable" community is left untouched. "It is this 'respectable' community which is indeed the true victim," he declared "And it is only the re-awakening courage and good sense of the public which puts an end to periods of inquisition.'

Notes in the News

URGES PUERTO RICANS PICKET HOUSE COMMITTEE - Puerto Rican Senator Lorenzo Pinero Rivera has called upon his people to picket hearings of the House Un-American Activities Committee slated to open in ceded by others in New York, are supposed to investigate the "influence of Communist ideology" on Puerto Rico. Branding the move "an insult to Puerto Rico and a violation of the fundamental rights of the Puerto Ricans," Rivera suggested that instead the committee "investigate the subversive activities of Southern racists." Joining the protest, La Prensa, New York Spanish-language daily, added that perhaps the committee "is basically interested in freeing itself for a few days from the cold weather that is coming on."

FALLS OUT OVER SHELTER - Perry J. Lantz, a New York real estate operator, decided to build a fallout shelter in a house he was remodeling last spring. And then his troubles began. The City Building Department, which never saw one before, wouldn't issue a certificate of occupancy for the house without Civil Defense approval of the structure. Because City approval was long overdue, his bank began putting on the squeeze about the mortgage. After complying with Civil Defense proposals for changes in structure he finally got his certificate more than two months late. The deal cost him almost \$10,000. "I'm amazed that I'm so foolish," Lantz said. He also feels bad about the tenants' attitude. "They are indifferent," he reported.

A RIGGED SUPREME COURT HEARING? - At the Supreme Court hearing on the Taft-Hartley steel injunction, union attorney Arthur Goldberg was subjected to intense questioning by the justices. He handled the questions so well, reported the New York Times, that one spectator whispered: "Gee, Goldberg knows all the answers. Do you think it was rigged?" "Sure, it was rigged," another replied. "He read the Constitution the night before."

ROUGH GOING FOR VIRTUOUS - In paid advertisements and statements by Phillip Cortney, its president, Coty, Inc., has demanded that business firms involved in rigged quiz shows be called before Congress. It was also suggested that such firms contribute their "ill gotten gains" to charity. Since then, Coty reports, the heat's been on. It has been charged that efforts were made to suppress the Coty ad and to sabotage a business luncheon where Mr. Cortney pressed the campaign for moral rearmament. At the luncheon Mr. Cortney bitterly complained that on advice of counsel he had to read a prepared speech and declared it "scandalous that a man can't defend morality spontaneously." Coty is a cosmetics firm. A major competitor is Revlon whose sales skyrocketed as a result of quiz show sponsorship.

DEMOCRATS GET DOUBLE SQUEEZE -The Democratic party didn't do so well with a \$10-a-plate dinner in Little Rock, Ark., Oct. 30. Negro Democrats, scheduled to attend, decided to boycott the affair when they learned they would be fed at segregated tables. Meanwhile extreme racists in the party boycotted it because Negroes were invited. Party officials had originally estimated 5,000 people would attend but only about 1,300 showed up.

RACISTS ADMIT TRUTH ABOUT HIGH-Tennessee officials have tried to shut down Highlander Folk School, an adult interracial educational institution, under such fake charges as illegal sale of beer and "operating a public nuisance." Throughout they insisted integration had nothing to do with the case. But in a new trial, slated to begin Nov. 3 at Altamont, District Attorney A. F. Sloan filed a charge of "continually operating an integrated school" in violation of a 58-year-old state segregation law. The U.S. Supreme Court has invalidated such laws. The trial is being held in the same district as the famous Scopes "monkey" trial, which arose out of a Tennessee law banning the teaching of Darwin's theories of evolution.

GRIM PICTURE FROM MOON - U.S. businessmen are taking a far too complacent view of the "gigantic feat" of the Soviet moon photo, warned New York Herald Tribune business editor Donald I. Rogers, Oct. 30. If the Soviet Union can transmit a televised photo nearly 25,000 miles from a rocket, he said, they may one day turn their attention to such "economically disastrous chores as the mass production of television sets." Pointing to a rise in Soviet production of machine tools, he said that Soviet technical strides coupled with its striction whatever imposed up- of workers squeezed out of the no effect on the practitioners of 322 Hennepin. Auspices: Twin nationalized economy will one day put it in a position to "provide formidable competition in the field of consumers goods."

FARM INCOME DROPS - The income of farmers dropped \$1 billion more than expected the special Board of Inquiry, set in the third quarter of this year. It was the lowest quarterly income for farmers since 1943. had this to say on the subject: The drop was attributed to continuing overproduction and a price decline. Wholesale hog agreement that Section 2-B does prices went down 6% in the month ending Oct. not prevent or interfere with ad-15, down 32% from a year ago. Beef dropped justments when 'the basis for 5% in the same month. We didn't notice it at the existence of the local workthe super-market.

WHERE THAT WITHHOLDING TAX of technological changes, GOES — The Navy has asked for \$1.9 billion for its Polaris missile-submarine project for the coming fiscal year. This would make a total of \$4.5 billion spent on the nuclear submarines and their weapons since the program was announced Jan. 1, 1957. Three such submarines are expected to be ready for missile operation by the end of 1960.

FEDERAL JUDGE LAMBASTS FBI - On Sept. 10 the FBI arrested Henry Nevares, 24, in on the existing labor force Los Angeles, accused him of impersonating a where there has been no change the paragraph immediately fol-Navy enlisted man and held him in jail for 32 in "technology, equipment or lowing the one cited above, days before bringing him into court. What was manufacturing process." The Newsweek scandalizes its readit all about? Nevares, a dishwasher, was wearing Navy pants and a Navy hat bought in a war surplus store. He wore no insignia or service stripes. U.S. District Judge Ernest Tolin declared that a grave injustice had been done and that the FBI had treated the defendant in a "shabby way." Nevertheless, he found Nevares describe the employers' demand steel dispute. Among other now fighting for the very preguilty, but suspended the ten-day maximum sentence which Nevares had already served ness efficiently" have become "Taylor told the industry lead- the payoff for McDonald's policy more than three times over.

They Wait for Justice

ganization of the new move-At a three-day National Seminar at Winnipeg Aug. 28-30, some 300 participants declared that the time had come to establish the new party. Previously, the labor-party proposal had been endorsed by

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porters to discuss policy and or-

every regional body of the CLC except Newfoundland. In that area a strikebreaking assault last year on the Woodworkers Union under auspices of the Liberal party administration brought a change of thinking. Only 17 days before the last election, the unions there organized party, nominated 19 candidates and polled 9.3% of the vote.

At Winnipeg, Ed Finn, Jr., youthful leader of the Newfoundland party, declared: "I can assure you that when this new national party is formed. you will have in Newfoundland an active and enthusiastic group ready and eager to participate in this great political move-

Before the August seminar, Pres. Jodoin had declared that the national Congress would not affiliate directly to the new party. This statement was taken by the capitalist press as proof that the CLC was "lukewarm" in its support of the venture. But at Winnipeg Jodoin said

that he had in mind the organizational structure of the British Labor party and that local CLC bodies would be urged to af-

He declared that the CLC has given "the task of laying the groundwork for the new politi- that in making this choice we cal instrument top priority. exclude both the extreme fas-This . . . has had my unreserved approval.' "The Congress, and I as its

that the need for a new party is greater today than it was even of center." year and a half ago. Recent Canada generally."

Participants at the Winnipeg development. eminar included 119 representaand 33 farmers, the balance conindividuals of varying backn Canadian Labor.

various subjects. The labor be achieved." panel discussed automation and In sharp contrast, the midreported back that any effective September issue of the revoluprogram for dealing with the tionary-socialist paper, Workers planned economy. Trade union- ard a labor party while declarism alone is not enough."

panel on public ownership that the issue is again "a vital one" movement. "Socialists have no interest of Rights remains critical."

Bereaved friends of Mississippi lynch victim Mack C. Parker at his funeral May 5. A wide public outcry compelled the FBI to investigate the murder. But it turned names of killers over to state authorities and has kept silent since.

lic ownership.

At the same time, the long years of participating in capitalunion leadership even as they the paper said. took a radical step forward.

Jodoin, for example, declared: "It must be clearly understood that in making this obside was cist-Nazi right and the extreme Communist left - we have no use for either of these ex-President," he added, "believe tremes." The new party, he asserted, will be "moderately left

The Canadian Communist anti-Labor legislation has party (until recently known as brought home to us, more strong- the Labor Progressive party), ly than ever, the fact that neither which like its American countthe Liberal nor the Conservative erpart favors collaboration with Party want to give justice to or liberal capitalist politicians, seizprotect the rights of the Labor ed Jodoin's exclusion statement movement and the people of as a pretext for throwing cold water on the entire labor party

In the Sept. 7 Tribune, voice ives of the CCF, 116 of the CLC of the CP, labor columnist William Kashtan wrote glumly that sisting of university people and "it is fairly clear that the die has been cast for the formation grounds, according to the report of a 'new party'." Without the CP, he added, "a truly effective The conference held panels on anti-monopoly coalition cannot

problem "must be based on a Vanguard, hailed the move tow-

in Canada. They proposed an | their own-no interests separate educational program to convince and apart from their class. That the public of the merits of pub- is why we rejoice that the die has been cast for the labor party. Now all forces must be mobilized to give this class ist politics gave a conservative party not a reformist program cast to the decisions of the top but a class-struggle program,

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The Bill of Rights Fund celeport to China.

Lloyd Barenblatt to enable him to pay the fine levied against him, along with a six-month prison term, on a contempt-of-Congress conviction. Dr. Lamont reported that

grants to some 150 people in the past five years totaled more than \$100,000. The Fund is the only organization in the country devoted exclusively to giving after each. Place: 10609 Superior rell Dobbs, National Secretary. financial assistance to civil-lib- Ave. Taped recordings of lec- Socialist Workers Party and for-

"In spite of some improveing its opposition to exclusion ment over the past few years," William F. Warde, Arne Swa- Labor Forum, 116 University Pl. It was the consensus of a of any section of the labor Dr. Lamont added, "the struggle beck, Evelyn Reed and others to protect our precious Bill of make these stimulating talks

In Frank Suit For Passport

brated its fifth anniversary Nov. that it has taken no action in its chairman, Dr. Corliss Lamont, there are few persons in Pearl overwhelming majority of that it is giving "substantial River County who cannot reel financial support" to author Waldo Frank in his suit against the State Department for a pass-A grant was also voted to

Jury Expected To Spurn Action In Parker Case NOV. 4 - A Pearl River County grand jury is ex-

pected to take no action in the case of Mack Charles Parker who was lynched last April 25 in Poplarville, Miss. The 18-man white supremacist jury,

investigation into the lynching These facts prove that the and brutally murdered, super-

Negroes make up 25% of violating federal law, Pearl River's population. Yet no Negro has ever served on a jury there. Mississippi makes it mandatory for a person to be a registered voter in order to act on the case. a jury, then bars Negroes from registering.

Before the jury met on Monthe FBI's report to the grand country. jury. In effect, they refused to . Militants like Robert F. Wil-

unanimous," he said, "that the grand jury will reveal tomorrow The New York Age said: with an announcement from the lynching case . . . actually lynching.

it is expected, will reach its only cited the names of between 'decision" without calling a 15 and 20 men whom it alleged single witness or asking to see formed the lynch mob but a the 400-page report of the FBI deputy sheriff was also named.

that horrified the whole country. Justice Department was stalling Circuit Judge Sebe Dale, who when it withdrew from the case deliberately canceled the spring May 25 on the grounds that no criminal term of the grand jury federal statutes were violated in after Parker was kidnapped the Parker lynching. Any state from the Poplarville jailhouse official (in this case a deputy sheriff) who conspires to deprive vised the selection of the jurors. a citizen of his civil rights is

It is feared by some racists that attorneys of the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division might press to take over

Parker, accused of raping a white woman, had been removed from the comparatively day, District Attorney Vernon safe Jackson jail to the Poplar Broom and County Attorney ville jail a week before his trial William Stewart announced that was to begin. The long-premedithey would not subpoena any tated lynching caused a cry of witnesses nor would they read outrage from all parts of the

liams, president of the Monroe, The jurors have refused to N.C., branch of the NAACP talk to the press during their began pressing for organized two-day "deliberation" but they and armed self-defense of South have talked to their relatives. ern Negroes. When he was ar-The relatives "gossiped freely" bitrarily suspended by NAACP according to N.Y. Post reporter, Executive Secretary, Roy Wil-Stan Opotowsky. "They were kins, Williams won support from Negroes all over the country.

"Few will deny that Mr. Williams spoke the feelings of the American Negroes. Whether Mr. off the names of those the FBI Wilkins likes it or not, a whole said were involved in the lot of Negroes are beginning to get rather tired of being killed, It is public knowledge in raped and blown apart with the Poplarville that the FBI not courts doing nothing about it."

SAVE THIS DATE - "Labor's

Calendar of Events

evening follows. Dancing and re-Top-notch socialist lecturersfreshments. Contrib. \$1. ning Nov. 12. Discussion period Role in the 1960 Elections." Fartures presented at the Socialist | mer Teamsters Union Leader Vacation School last summer by Fri., Nov. 20, 8 p.m. Militant Contrib. \$1. available for Clevelanders.

LOS ANGELES School of International So-

cialism presents its fall lecture "Resolving the Contradictions

Between Bureaucracy and Democracy." Sun., Nov. 15, 11 Lecturer: Arne Swabeck, Na-

tional Committee Member, Socialist Workers Party. Forum Hall, 1702 E. 4th St. ANgelus 9-4953.

nounced. MINNEAPOLIS

"The Supreme Court and the Taft-Hartley Act." Speaker: V. R. Dunne. Fri., Nov. 13, 8 p.m.,

NEW YORK "Poetry and Politics." You enjoy good poetry and are interested in politics, but don't quite

ation: Further lectures to be an-History of the Civil War Period. Lectures by Dick Fraser.

> ginning and advanced students. Classes to be held once a

week, beginning Fri., Nov. 13, at 7:30 p.m. Dinner will be served see the connection? Then be sure at modest cost from 6 to 7 p.m. to hear Dr. Annette T. Rubin- for those who find it difficult to stein, noted authority on English make the classes otherwise. and American literature. Sat., Auspices Seattle branch of the Nov. 14, 8 p.m., 116 University Socialist Workers Party, 1412 Pl. (near Union Square). Social 18th Ave.

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Air-Conditioned (Continued from Page 1) | union-conscious worker: speed- | ment it was unwise to stress the

in perpetuity under the terms of the contract. It is this strait jacket the companies seek to

ing conversation but the "insidedope" Canham dispenses is as of mechanization and automaunion contract that deprives the dundant by new machines." unfortunately there is no re-"labor-saving devices."

In its report to Eisenhower, up under the Taft-Hartley Act "Although the parties are in full ing condition is changed or eliminated,' such as the introduction changes in equipment or manufacturing processes, the companies argue that Section 2-B is a serious hindrance in other circumstances, for example, where there has been no investment in new facilities."

In other words, what the companies are demanding is the right to increase the work load workers understand very well Especially those who were in tioned crane." Oh, well! the mills before the union was organized.

for the "right to run its busi-

up and stretchout. That is why work conditions (clause 2-B) isthe steel union ranks, after the sue. He argued that this might longest steel strike in history, lead to demands by the steelremain more firmly knit in their workers union for control over resolve to resist the assault on the introduction of new auto-It may have been an interest- their working conditions. In the past decade the process

phony as a television quiz show. tion has been tremendously ac-There is nothing in the steel- celerated in the steel industry. It has been estimated that since corporations of the "right" to 1946 over 200,000 steel workers eliminate workers "rendered re- have been "rendered redundant." Redundant! That is an-There certainly should be but other of those queasy words on cutting the work force productive process by the intro-

fect of automation in the steel industry: agement has firm rights. Where automatic machinery and other improvements, George Taylor told President Eisenhower in his fact-finding report, the steel industry's work-rules clause 'does not prevent or interfere with adjustments."

And what do you think? In ers with what it calls "the nowwhat the employers are after. famous case of the air-condi-New York Times columnist

things Reston disclosed that:

matic labor-saving machinery This is a power some unions now have, but not the steelworkers."

One could go on indefinitely citing page, chapter and verse, exposing the fraudulent claim that work-rules clause 2-B imposes intolerant restraints upon "free enterprise" efficiency in used to veil the personal tragedy | the steel industry. It will have the big lie. They operate on the Cities Labor Forum. through the introduction of duction of automated machin- premise that if repeated often what is delicately referred to as ery. The November 2 issue of enough, circulated widely Newsweek, in a special article enough, and brazenly asserted on the steel strike, makes the emphatically enough, it will following comment on the ef- come to be accepted as the truth.

The fact is that the steel industry has rendered 250,000 "In 1946, the Steelworkers workers "redundant" in the last mustered 750,000 men for a decade. A larger tonnage of strike. Since then, their numbers steel is now produced with fewhave been whittled to 500,000, a er workers. This has resulted in tribute to the efficiency of the the most phenomenal profits in mills and equipment that have all history. The steel industry pushed annual steel capacity can now produce the nation's from 91.2 million tons to 147.6 current annual steel requiremillion in the same period. And ments in a period of nine here," adds Newsweek, "man- months. Although the strike has entered its fourth month, the a company has put money into huge inventory piled up in preparation for the forced strike has been sufficient to keep the wheels of industry turning at top speed. It is only in the past week or so that big users have begun to feel the pinch.

Unfortunately, the false policies of the union leadership permitted the employers to take the offensive on the trumped-up issues of inflation and work rules. Instead of taking the initiative in the very beginning and conducting a fight for a shorter work week to meet the James Reston devoted his Oct. threat of automation "redun-The words correctly used to 18 column to an analysis of the dancy" the steel workers are servation of their union. This is part of the vocabulary of every ers privately that in his judg- of "mutual trusteeship."

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