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# Rockefeller Puts Willie Reid Back On Chain Gang

By George Lavan

Flouting the petitions of thousands of citizens and the requests of Negro, labor and civil-liberties organizations, Gov. Rockefeller on Nov. 23 ordered fugitive Willie Reid sent back to a Florida chain

Reid, a Negro migrant farm worker, was the victim back in County, Fla. For an offense, which even under Florida law would normally bring a maxigot 15 years. In his "trial" he

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### **Crisis Hits Ceylon Govt.**

The ghost of Ceylon's Prime Minister Bandaranaike, assassiparty. Those arrested include Reid may not survive in Florida one member of Bandaranaike's long enough to prove he can't cabinet. They also include a get justice in that state is not brother of the finance minister considered pertinent by the Suof Bandaranaike's successor, the preme Court justices or by Gov. present Prime Minister Dahana- Rockefeller.

The finance minister, in question, Stanley de Soyza, resigned try and crocodile tears. He was Nov. 22. Another of his brothers, prevented by the Constitution, not in custody, is also suspected he said, from refusing to extraof complicity in the assassina- dite a fugitive. But Northern tives"? That "a Pennsylvania of the union work rules makes no pay differential for night tion. He is a deputy chief of po- governors have in numerous lice and had been assigned by cases refused to extradite fugi-Premier Dehanayake to take tives to the South. Moreover,

The Opposition in Ceylon's himself, not long ago refused an Parliament, led by N. M. Perera extradition request from Massaof the revolutionary-socialist chusetts. Lanka Sama Samaja party will seek to force the Dahanayake lic's intelligence, the suddenly government to resign shortly so strict-constitutionalist Rockefelthat new elections can take ler added: "The Constitution replace. The LSSP is hopeful of quires that Florida accord Mr. American people are paying a winning such elections. Last Reid due process and equal pro- half a billion dollars annually month, the Dahanayake cabinet tection of the laws. The Constill for union "featherbedding beat back a no-confidence vote tution also mandates that New (That's a technical term, thought

was denied an attorney and the right to plead not guilty. Following an investigation of cor-1950 of Willis V. McCall, no-torious racist sheriff of Lake guards in 1952, he was singled out by the guards for such tortures that he appeared doomed. A desperate break for freedom mum sentence of one year, Reid succeeded. Reid made his way to New York, secured a job and never had any trouble with the police till by chance he was recognized as a fugitive in 1955. For four and a half years two of them in New York prisons - Reid has been fighting extradition. His case went all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court which early this month refused to hear it. The court maintains nated two months ago, is haunt- the legal fiction that the only ing his party right out of power. avenue for redress of any in-All eight people arrested in con- justice in his case must be nection with his murder belong through the Florida courts to the ruling Sri Lanka Freedom not from another state. That

> Rockefeller issued a statement remarkable for its legal sophis-Gov. Leroy Collins of Florida,

> Then, as if to insult the pub-

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By Reba Aubrey, Campaign Director

"OPERATION UPTURN!" Those two words would certainly win if we had offered a prize for a slogan to express what's most needed to meet the December 15 deadline of our Socialist. Publi-

cations Fund. But this welcome slogan came without being asked for from Angeles. Los Angeles fund director see that you can't stack up six weeks of contributions in three weeks unless you start an operation upturn.

George wasn't the only one to face up to this. Five cities demonstrated this week that they realize the time has come dence. First the prize-winning for a change of pace. This is letter from George Jones: "The what I mean: To keep on sched- check enclosed is 'operation upude, each branch should have turn' for Los Angeles. You will made slightly under 8% of their see us quicken our pace on the quota each week. But life seldom follows that precise a schedule and it hasn't happened that were hit by the steel strike. way in our fund either. The way to close the gap, of course, is to enough to be working dug just drop that 8% weekly goal and a little deeper to make up for make it 10% or 20% or what- our comrades on strike. In adever you need for the rest of dition neighborhood house parthe campaign.

The honor role of those who started operation upturn going on their own initiative includes Seattle which sent in 25% of its total quota this week; Philadelphia which matched that percentage performance; Detroit which sent in 22% of its quota; Connecticut 20%; and

Milwaukee 13%. But can we actually reach that big goal in the short time remaining before December 15? I, for one, am crossing my fingers and saying positively that we can - if . . .

That familiar old "if" refers "if" down even further, the suc- about current labor problems. cess of our campaign depends

in large measure on what's done by New York and Los I really am confident that both

George Jones who didn't need cities will come through with to have a house fall on him to colors flying. Both have long demonstrated their capacity for leadership in every field of socialist activity and what they do in this campaign will be one more proof of it.

Just bolstering my own courage? Not me. Here's the eviscoreboard. As you know, some of our comrades and friends Those of us who were fortunate ties have brought in unexpected revenue. Comes December 15.

ocialist spirit that assures suc-

cess? And in New York, morale is equally high. I can give eyewitness testimony to that, particularly after the fine Militant Labor Forum meeting where SWP National Secretary Farrell Dobbs spoke. There were 95 people in attendance.

Comrade Dobbs made an excellent speech that sparked a lively discussion period. Several nessmen and other applicants to the half dozen branches that veteran unionists long associatundertook the largest quotas in ed with the Communist party this drive and who are (with the and several associated for equalexception of the Twin Cities) ly long years with the SWP lagging behind. To narrow that made some instructive points

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Witch-Hunters, Go Home to Yankee-land!



Pickets outside the San Juan courthouse protest the House Un-American Activities Committee's "investigation" of "Communism" in Puerto Rico. Shocked Puerto Ricans learned that the witch-hunters do not scruple about ransacking private mail and using the contents to smear individuals. Sign in the foreground says: "Puerto Rican workers - we condemn congressional persecution of our leaders." Another sign, in English, says: "We know that decent Americans

### Those Railroad "Featherbeds" **Lined with Sharp Thorns**

By Harry Ring

freight enginemen get more pay per hour than railroad execu-. . around \$100"? That diesel engines carry firemen "who tend

A few isolated cases? No, sir. According to the public-minded capitalists who run our railroads, you and the rest of the formed.")

Such distorted or completely Train Robbery among the op- McGinnis received substantial fabricated claims are part of a erators. nationwide campaign designed to roll back the railroad unions whose contracts came up for renewal Nov. 1. It's part of the overall drive that big business s waging against unionism in a series of key industries.

The established incentive pay system on the railroads sets 100 miles as the basic unit of work for passenger and freight-train engine crews and 160 miles for conductors and brakemen on shift he draws a day and a half pay, etc.)

The companies now propose that the 100-mile incentive unit ficials." be boosted to 150 miles and the 160-mile to 240 miles.

men onto runs with longer over- subsidiaries. night periods away from home.

the size of train crews.

The federal wage and hour

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### Still Train Robbery **Even Without the Pistols**

Replying to the rail magnates' charges of union "feather-(which, if carried, would have York honor Florida's extradition up by the advertising agencies, bedding," the Nov. 7 issue of Labor, weekly paper of the forced it to resign) by the slim request. Under a government of for "work paid for but not per- Railroad Brotherhoods, offers a few timely reminders of what might be called the Great

Southern Railroad \$20,000 after poses. investigation revealed that at the Lincoln Green Forest in South Carolina.

"This 16,000-acre plus resort," reports Labor, "is equipped with passenger trains. (If an engineer de luxe lodges, stables, kennels; covers 150 miles in one work with a special lake for fishing; with a forest preserve for hunting and other attractions, all for the comfort of Southern of-

Another case involved the president of Norfolk Southern They are also demanding an Joseph P. Kingsley and board end to the monthly mileage chairman P. B. McGinnis. Aclimit system which helps spread cording to an ICC examiner, the work. In addition they pro- these two men, in the five years pose elimination of rules bar- up to 1953, "collected total comring them from sending crews pensation of \$716,771 in the past established crew change form of salaries, bonuses and points. This would force rail- fees from the railway and its

"In addition, Kingsley and

### Big Universities Deal Blow To 'Loyalty' Oath Program

vard and Yale universities announced Noy. 18 they were withdrawing from the program in protest.

Similar action against the Mc-Carthyite oath had been pre- year, \$141,000. viously taken by Princeton, Amherst. Oberlin and other colleges. College heads have pointed out that farmers, small busifor federal grants are not required to sign such "loyalty" affidavits. They see no justification for singling out students.

Following the action by the

The widely criticized federal of three New York City colwe will be right up there on student loan program require- leges — CCNY, Brooklyn and ment that applicants sign a Hunter — asserted that they Isn't that the kind of fighting "non-Communist" oath was tasteful; but, they claimed, their of this year, net operating profits dealt a heavy blow when Har- financial situation didn't permit them to withdraw from the program. The three colleges, in the 1958. richest city in the world, argue that they can't raise what they barons actually outdistanced strike-breaking injunctions. drew under the program this both the airlines and truckers in

> Dr. Harry Gideonse, Brooklyn College president, who has been 6.3%, almost double both gross labor-baiters of corruption in the thatched huts. of curbing civil liberties on the and truckers. campus, gave a sterling example of intellectual "leadership" in his statement.

He said the affidavit was a vard and Yale, the presidents wet nurse them.'

To cap their demands, the op- | law doesn't apply to the railerators are insisting on the road industry. Many road serwere you aware man passen-ger engine crews and road abolition of all rules which fix vice employees and others, receive no premium pay for Sat-A brief look at the real facts urdays, Sundays and holidays; engineer makes a 452-mile round quite clear that revisions are work; no pay for layover time trip between New York and needed—revisions that will give between runs; no pay for stand-Washington, D.C., in a single the men some of the benefits by time when they must remain long established in other indus-subject to call; no pay for ex-

sums for travel, living expenses, Last spring the Interstate entertainment and similar items, Commerce Commission fined the as well as for undivulged pur-Labor reports that in 1923 funds charged up to "mainten- there were 1,800,000 railroad

ance of way" had been used to workers and 16,000 executive build a swank "rest and recrea- officers. Right now there are tion" center for its executives less than 900,000 workers on the railroads but there are still 16,-000 executive officers. Last year 953 of these executives were raking in salaries of \$20,-000 or more. A decade ago there were less than 500 in that wage

But the really big fry don't rely on generous salaries and expense accounts alone. In 1958 the Louisville & Nashville Railroad notified its shareholders that it had established a "stock option" plan for its officials under which they could buy 50,000 shares at \$59.20 a share.

Five top officials of the line snapped up 10,400 shares at that price. Each share is currently selling for \$82. A tidy profit for the lucky five!

The Chesapeake & Ohio worked out an even slicker deal for its executives-a modern "installment plan" under which 24 officers were permitted to buy 112,500 shares at just over \$36 share, the value at the time they put their names on the IOU's. Today the market price is over \$72 a share.

Despite such give-aways, the stockholders of this "sick" industry are, on the whole, doing reached \$503 million, a 27% increase over the same period in

During that year the rail

# Big Business Steps Up War Against Labor

### Witch-Hunters Find Hot Seat In Puerto Rico

Shouting "Yankees, go home," hooting and jeering at its "disclosures," the Puerto Rican people gave the House Un-American Activities Committee the hottest reception of its infamous history. In fact, the witch-hunters concluded the hearings abruptly with four witnesses yet to go.

"The Committee's effort to produce sensations met with laughter on the part of the crowded hearing," reports the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee in a Nov. 20 re-

"Pickets marched and chanted outside. Forty outstanding citizens signed a protest which was carried as an advertisement in papers. Sixty-nine members of the faculty of the University of Puerto Rico issued a concurring statement, joining the protest, and political demonstrations against the Committee's intrusion were held throughout the island . . .

"After the first witness, Mr. Cuesta, had refused for two hours to answer any questions, Cong. Scherer made a speech in which he accused Clark Foreman, the Director of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, of being responsible for the resistance to the Committee . .

"At this point the head of the committee of lawyers appointed by the Bar Associazales, rose and publicly shouted that the Congressman was lying. The whole audience applauded and for several minutes demonstrated against the tactics of the Committee. Chairman Tuck then recessed the hearings."

The subpoenaed witnesses at the hearings, Nov. 18, 19 and 20, refused to answer all questions on the grounds that the House probers lacked jurisdiction. At the end of the hearings, Congressman Tuck (D-Va.) announced he would ask the House of Representatives to cite all 13 witnesses for contempt.

The committee appointed by the San Juan Bar Association announced that it would defend the witnesses all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary. Speaking for the Bar Association attorneys, Mr. Gonzales said that the Congressional group's "excesses in abusing its powers caused a sorry spectacle."

The American Civil Liberties Union also protested the hearings. On Nov. 11 the ACLU called on the House Un-American Activities Committee to drop the "investigation" into Puerto Rican "Communism."

### Kick in Teeth Costs 5 G's

Some people apparently like to pay for the privilege of being kicked in the teeth. On Nov. 16 the AFL-CIO gave its annual community service award and a check for \$5,000 to former President Harry Truman who still holds the record for Taft-Hartley In accepting the money, Tru-

revenues and a net profit of reference to current charges by frequently accused by students and net figures for the airlines unions. "There is always trouble when people get too much Far from quenching their money or too much power," he thirst for profits, however, this said. "The great thing about this record seems to have made the country," he continued, "is that and cattle ranches have been railroad barons still thirstier. we are able to correct these situ-"stupid thing" but that it was That's why they're out to worsen ations and I know you are going failed to dampen the spirits of gives farm workers a choice be-"the student's responsibility to job conditions, curtail services to do it yourself." "You know heads of ultra-respectable Har- sign the oath or not. We can't and hike passenger and freight what I'm talking about," he

By Tom Kerry

Big business has declared total war against the American labor movement. The government in Washington is aligned with the

magnates of capital in conducting this war. The capitalist press, radio and television have placed

their facilities at the disposal of the war-makers. The object is to undermine, weaken and destroy the ability of the unions to defend the living standards of the

American working people. It is, in the true sense of the word, a class war - the rich against the poor, the oppressors against the oppressed, the exploiters against the exploited.

That this is no exaggeration is attested to by some of the most conservative labor leaders in the country. Speaking at the recent Washington convention of the AFL-CIO Industrial Union Department, George Meany declared that the number one problem of the union movement "is the present-day war on organized labor by the reactionary forces who seem at the moment to control the entire American scene.'

Walter Reuther, IUD president, charged that "American big business is carrying on a total struggle against the American working people." He added, "The money changers have taken over the temple of government" and are using the power of government in a drive to enslave the workers.

Lesser union leaders at the IUD conference enlarged ipon this theme, citing concrete examples of the employers banding together to fight the unions. The use of scabs, National Guard troops, court injunctions, anti-union legisation, government police power, on city, state and national level, is a constantly recurring pattern.

Taking note of these developments the top union eaders have sounded the alarm. In a letter to all officers of national and international unions, state and city central bodies, and directly affiliated unions, following the Supreme Court steel injunction, AFL-CIO president George

"More than ever, the issue is now joined. More than ever, it is an issue, not just between the United Steelworkers of America and the steel industry, but between the American labor movement and the forces of reaction in big

"Under the terms of the injunction, the workers must return to their jobs for a period of 80 days. In these 80 days the steel companies will be free to produce and to profit under the terms existing prior to the strike. The Steelworkers have no choice but to obey the injunction during this 80-day period.

"But the rest of the trade union movement can - and will — use this period to become prepared for the battle that seems certain to begin again the day this injunction

Brave words! Prepare for battle - yes! But by what methods and through what means? If the Steelworkers had "no choice but to obey" a court injunction issued at the behest of an anti-labor administration, will that be the banner under which labor goes into battle following the

### "Land, Work and Hope" Are Key Words in Cuba

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The American press nowadays is filled with howls, lamentations and diatribes about the Cuban revolution and the Agrarian Reform Law which takes land from the rich

and makes it available to the poor. It is hard to find anything | Cuba's fortunate combination ngs of the Cuban people. But occasionally something does manage to get past the editor's blue pencil. A recent instance was an article by Henry N. Taylor, a Scripps-Howard correscondent, who indicates how the horizon of the Cuban peasant has lighted up.

"The key words are land work and hope," he writes. "Fo: generations these values have been denied to the gaunt, sunwrinkled, sugar-field workers They were born beaten, lived hungry, died early. . ."

In glaring contrast to the profits cleaned up by the sugar barons, 450,000 sugar workers had an income of about \$120 a year According to Taylor, "a private American survey in 1957 estimated that 96 of every 100 Cuban farm workers never had eaten meat." It was found that profits with \$9.6 billion in gross man made a crudely obvious 14% had tuberculosis and over 60% lived in dirt-floored, palm-

The U.S. government has threatened to curtail the sugar quota, because thousands of acres of American-owned farms taken over. But the threats have

They are immersed in the operatives or operating their task of making full use of own 67-acre plots of land.

eporting accurately the feel of rich soil and excellent clinate which will produce anyhing, except wheat, abundantly, Given these conditions, it is incredible that Cuba should have o import 30% of her food sup-

Up to the present, if a peasant wanted to buy land in order o plant his own beans he faced enormous obstacles. Landlords with huge amounts of wasted and "kept land prices high"; f a peasant had land, he had to pay exorbitant bribes to Batisa's government to get permission to plant; finally seed was controlled by "the same people who made profits from imported vegetables. Naturally, peasants found seed 'unavailable.'

All this has been swept aside by the revolutionary government. "For the first time," reports Taylor, "since the Spanish first came to Cuba soon after Columbus, soldiers are in the countryside for other purposes than to strut and steal and shoot. Many work in full uniform, side by side with peasants, to build new cooperative farms."

Despite these facts, however Taylor refers to Castro's Agrarian Law as "drastic." The law

# The Whole Damned System Is Rigged // BOOKS

By Joseph Keller

ly expressed when Charles Van italism established itself as the Doren confessed that the TV dominant world system. In their quiz show on which he had won Communist Manifesto of 1848, \$129,000 had been rigged. Many Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels people were especially upset by described the moral foundations the fact that a member of a and effects of capitalism: family distinguished for intellectual achievements, a family of noted poets, scholars, historians and even a Pulitzer Prize winner, could lend his good name to a commercialized TV hoax. Many young people, especially among the students, have been stirred by this incident to inquiry and speculation on the nature of morality in our society. Professors, editors, politicians and propagandists have hastened to answer the questions

Most commentators find in the incident little more than the kind of "excess" you might expect in a "raw new" industry. A few find a deeper and more symptomatic significance in the TV quiz exposure. In an article in the Nov. 15 New York Times Magazine, Charles Frankel, professor of philosophy at Columbia University, describes the universality of the use of deception.

"... In politics and business, in education as well as entertainment, the arts of deception have clearly won an honored place," writes Prof. Frankel. The very oddity of the events that have disturbed us, in fact, is symptomatic. Values are strangely askew, intelligent men lose their moorings, sophisticated men turn out to be strangely naive . . .'

that the government should es- had yielded to the temptation to which is still intervening in the tablish institutions "that embody make twenty times that much in steel struggle, is not unknown to public purposes and that exist to a few weeks through a public the steel workers. He is Prof. protect and advance them" and deception. Yet this same great George W. Taylor of the Wharing moral atmosphere."

the social system which creates lumbia's president in 1948, a post Taylor was chairman of the War it? For Charles Van Doren is he held only until he took over Labor Board during World War mind. Truman snapped: both a product and a victim of a command of the NATO forces in II under the late Pres. Roosesocial order whose very essence 1950. The selection of Eisenhow- velt. He was the author of the is corruption. He is not sympto- er as Columbia University's notorious "Little Steel Formula" matic simply of an "extraordi- president was part of a "public, which froze wages for the entire nary" development in the years relations" campaign to "demili- period of the war; and he was

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"since World War II," as Prof. Frankel states. This "moral at-Shock and dismay were wide- mosphere" has existed since cap-

"The bourgeoisie [the capitalist class], wherever it has got the upper hand, has put an end to all feudal, patriarchal, idyllic relations . . . and has left no other bond between man and man than naked selfinterest, then callous 'cash payment.' It has drowned the most heavenly ecstasies of religious fervor, of chivalrous enthusiasm, of philistine sentimentalism, in the icy water of egotistical calculation. It has resolved personal worth into exchange value . . .

"The bourgeoisie has stripped of its halo every occupation hitherto honored and looked up to with reverent awe. It has converted the physician, the lawyer, the priest, the poet, the man of science, into its paid wage-laborers."

coats, deep freezes and Persian a false image of him as a "civilrug hand-outs to White House ian" leader. Thus, in 1952, the aides, in the lying commercials and the fixed TV quiz shows. that we find the infection. It is bone deep. Its worst manifesta- as a "noted educator," no less. tions most frequently go unseen or, at least, unrecognized. Let us note a few examples.

#### Professor Eisenhower Within 24 hours of Van Dor-

versity fired him from his \$5,500-The good professor concludes a-year instructorship because he which work "to change the exist- university had lent itself to an ton School of Finance and Cominfinitely more insidious public merce of the University of Penn-But can we change the moral hoax when it named General sylvania. (The Wharton School atmosphere without changing Dwight D. Eisenhower as Co- trains business executives.) Prof.

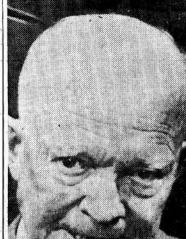
One Visitor We Like to See

Even If It's Twice Each Day

By Karolyn Kerry

This note, coming on the heels

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It is not only in the mink tarize" Eisenhower and to create professional militarist Eisenhow-

Now, take some of Eisenhower's more recent acts - his moves to help break the steel strike. In preparation for invoking a Taft-Hartley injunction against the Steelworkers, Eisenen's confession, Columbia Uni- hower set up a "board of inquiry" to provide him with the "facts." The head of this board,

bitterly denounced by organized | control of the dominating cor-

government board to aid profi-

Eisenhower, of course, has no monopoly on this type of capitalist morality in American presidents. His predecessor in office Harry S. Truman was at least as notable in this regard. He even made "quiz show" appearances before the House Banking and Currency committee on April 14, 1958, when he expounded on the failures of the Republican administration to meet the challenge of unemploy-

#### "Healthy Unemployment"

Representative Henry O. Talle, of Iowa, read to Truman a statement the latter had made eight years before as quoted in an exclusive personal interview with Arthur Krock which was published in the Feb. 15, 1950, New York Times. The interview took place during the peak of the 1949-50 recession when even the loaded government figures shower was palmed off on the voters ed unemployment approaching five million. Truman, who was then seeking to minimize the serious economic situation, had told Krock:

"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.'

Rep. Talle reminded Truman ne had made this statement at a time when unemployment amounted to 8.1% of the labor force, whereas currently (in April 1958) the percentage was 7.7. Talle asked the former President what had changed his

"That exclusive interview never happened. It came out of the air.'

By denying he had even given such an interview. Truman in effect was accusing Arthur Krock, who is known as the "Dean of Washington Correspondents," of being a falsifier and forger. Krock replied in defense of his professional and personal integrity. He answered Truman in the April 15, 1958, New York Times with crushing documentary proof that Truman had given the 1950 interview, had carefully checked Krock's article in advance of publication

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visit of the mailman with real but would say it was great from hear. J.C. writes: "Dear Sirs: I self had solicited the interview. anticipation. Today we received what I have read. I lent it to a am anxiously awaiting the ar- Moreover, the Advisory Board a letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the in Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., an old friend high school girl to read and so rival of my first copy of the tin Tennessee. Here is what he letter from H.J., and the letter from H.J., a From E.M. in Connecticut: month and a half since I sent in terview as the 1950 prize winner system is rigged. Marxism is knew for years in Moscow after "Received your letter some "Thank you very much for your my sub and I know you received in national reporting. time ago; wanted to answer letter and the sample copy of it because I just recently re-

doesn't cause another uproar. From Montana, J.B., an old, of another equally-large batch helped make the day brighter: combinations of the Militant "Just a line today. This is a and the International Socialist heck of a country to get around Review, speaks volumes. To me in and we had a big snow this it signifies that not only are the to such an illustrious army Congressional hearing? Read all should be with banners flying about the poor college kids who and my proposal to double our took payoffs to throw basketball quota went over with a bang."

NO LONGER JUST A THIRD

Leo Carlin, Mayor of Newark, N. J., reported Nov. 22 that 52% you can point, from the sumof the houses in the city have mits of government to the giants been found sub-standard. He of finance and industry, that is we'll do the rest, including sending an appropriate said 27% should be repaired and not rigged to deceive the people. 25% torn down. A quarter of a Take the question of who owns century ago, Pres. Roosevelt said this country. We are told that one-third of the nation was ill- this is a "people's capitalism,"

games! Who Owns America?

There is no vital area to which inferring that the ownership and

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	Milwaukee	300	190	63
	Newark	265	154	58
	New York		2,210	53
	Philadelphia	400	211	53.
	Bay Area	800	419	52
,	Chicago	1,000	500	50
•	Denver	40	20	50
	Los Angeles	4,400	2,161	49
	Cleveland	750	325	43
	Seattle	500	172	34
	Allentown	110	35	32
	General	150	36	24
	Total through Nov. 24	\$16,000	\$8,652	54

porations is widely spread. There Naturally, Eisenhower could has been publicity recently about depend on Taylor to make an the Du Pont's control of 23% "impartial" inquiry. How does of General Motors stock and the the rigging of a TV quiz show refusal of the courts to make the THE MIND OF AN ASSASSIN, Mercader at one point sought to, "the Kremlin's happy robot of compare with the rigging of a Du Pont family divest itself of this stock after a ten-year fedteer corporations against strik- eral suit: But do you know how the Ford Motor Company stockfamily?

> to the public; class A stock ownthe voting power of the com- tarian and conspiratorial. pany so long as these shares exholds 6,293,000 such class B held, as of last March, 34,132,239 class A shares. Publicly held common stocks, which are converted class A shares, total only holders. But the Ford family can B shares.

a price-fixing case. On Nov. 9, ness. federal judge Gregory F. Noonan levied a total fine of \$177,500 against the corporate defendants and admitted to the Justice Department's Anti-Trust Division

"I have the deep-rooted feeling that perhaps the best way to enforce the laws against chronic violators is to put some of the individuals in [the indictment]. You can't send a corporation to jail."

#### Built-In "Fix"

vinced they are getting a "fair between mother and son. day's pay." Marx uncovered the to the capitalist for a fixed wage having been seen there as reand this power to labor creates cently as March of this year. He appropriated as profit.

The great "crime" of Marx in In the final chapter of his Working in the Militant busi- drive and some subs as well but portant many of our readers are and had publicly acknowledged their agents was his exposure of from a letter he received from that cannot be measured in monetary terms. We look for ward, for example, to each but would say it was great from hit and approved its contents at a bination offers.

— the exploitation of labor for example advantage of our combination of the control combination of the exploitation of surplus value Krock attributed Truman's trine of the "overthrow of the came disillusioned with Stalin-

wrote that we are living in "the her son was involved. epoch of the lie." This system, J.C., and I hope this quote question before a Congressional fended only by more and great- assassin, Levine attempts to crediting us with two subs I had man answered falsely on such a to make the whole capitalist succeeded in winning the conrecall capitalism, above all, as mysterious death in 1938. the System of the Great Hoax.

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ally high because \$60 was con-

plugs. (According to the papers viet regime." The real reason for that means accepting a bribe to boost someone's record.) I don't have any rock 'n' roll to push, but I want to get in a few words about the coming New York and Los Angeles bazaars. My angle is brazenly obvious — I hope.

New York is collecting a mass of really wonderful items for its help a worthy cause.

aar in Los Angeles will be held the police are fitted in. Sunday, Dec. 6, at 1702 East Levine has conscientiously en-Fourth Street. According to the deavored here to be as accurate grapevine it will be the very as possible and he has succeeded

A "good and welfare" note. ing these terrible scenes. I noted The scoreboard shows that our only a few minor errors; but Pittsburgh correspondent hit the these are not of a kind to affect 100% mark this week despite a the faithfulness of the account... siege of illness. Here's hoping Likewise good is the brief for a speedy recovery.

Don't miss a week. Send in lowing the twists and turns of your subscription to the Militant. the Kremlin's foreign policy,

### On the Assassination of Trotsky

Straus and Cudahy, New York. 1959. 232 pp. \$4.50.

Isaac Don Levine has attemptholdings are rigged to keep con- ed in this book to assemble all trol in the hands of the Ford the main facts known or surmised about the assassin of There are three classes of Ford stock: common stock sold these what the killer's mind is ed exclusively by the Ford Foun- kind of mind fits into our times. dation which is controlled by the Unfortunately the handling of Ford family; and class B stock the material suffers injury from which is owned by the Ford the author's preoccupation with family. The family-held class B a propagandistic theme — that shares, however, retain 40% of communism is by nature totali-

The principal merit of the ceed 2,700,000. The Ford family book is the new evidence it presents on the identity of the asshares. The Ford Foundation sassin. It had been rumored in Spanish refugee circles in Mexico that "Frank Jacson," or 'Jacques Mornard," was Ramon Mercader, a Stalinist participant 14,336,504 at this writing. The in the civil war in Spain who Ford company, of course, boasts had been recruited by his mothof its 260,000 "owners" or share- er Caridad into the NKVD, Stalin's secret political police. Dr. outvote all the common share- Alfonso Quiroz, a Mexican psyholders with just 2,700,001 class chiatrist, discovered in Madrid a 1935 police record that made

It was inside-page news even it possible to confirm this in the New York Times when through the killer's fingerprints. the ten largest rubber corpora- The discovery was announced tions recently pleaded nolo con- by the warden of the federal tendere - no contest - to an penitentiary in 1953, but Meranti-trust criminal indictment in cader still denied its truthful-

#### From Family Album

Levine managed in the past year to locate further docunents in Barcelona. As illustrations in his book, he includes from the Mercader family album an early photo of the mother, taken in the 1920's; a teen-age photo of the assassin; a photo of the assassin at the age of about 19, wearing the uniform of a junior lieutenant in the Spanish Republican Army and standing beside his grandmother; and The whole damned system is photos of his brothers Pablo and rigged. That is what Karl Marx Jorge and his sister Montserrat. revealed a century ago. He ex- A later photograph of his mothposed the exact way in which er, matched feature for feature the capitalists rook the workers by the Mexican police, demoneven when the workers are con- strates the marked resemblance

According to Levine, Caridad secret of surplus value, whereby Mercader is living in Paris with the worker sells his labor power her daughter and son-in-law, surplus value above the value mentions that the assassin's faof the wage received which is ther, Don Pablo, is still alive in Barcelona.

the eyes of the capitalists and book, Levine quotes extensively agents of capitalism don't attack who held top posts at the front Marxism for its devastating an- in the fighting against Franco. framed up and assailed as a doc- the Spanish defeat, finally beregret over the assassination of The late Leon Trotsky once Trotsky, in which she as well as

Besides details of this kind my sub would be started." OK, a similar reply to a similar built upon a fraud, can be de- about the identity of Trotsky's investigating committee, he er falsifications. Wherever you probe the wider ramifications of Bob P. of Seattle writes on would end up in prison as a touch it, corruption bursts forth. the murder plot. An important checking our sub figures with perjuror? The most significant It will take but one firm push part of this is information about "I guess you are not fact, however, is not that Tru- by the American working class Zborowski, an NKVD agent who counted but that's all right, for crucial question of public import. structure crumble. The future fidence of Leon Sedov, Trotsky's we are already over the top on It is that virtually the entire socialist generations may well son, and who had a hand in his

However, in his eagerness to list every detail touching Stalin's plot to kill Trotsky or to prove his central thesis about the conspiratorial nature of communism, Levine fails to draw the line on doubtful material. As My enthusiasm about the explanation for the expulsion of neeting, of course, was espec- Trotsky from Norway, for example, he cites testimony by tributed for our fund, some of Louis F. Budenz, former editor it from long-time friends and of the Daily Worker, that Mossome from people who reached cow used a report he made to into their pockets for the first the NKVD of an alleged contime to help the socialist cause. versation Trotsky had with the Speaking of money, I want to Rev. A. J. Muste on "plans for leave room for several "payola" the violent overthrow of the So-Trotsky's expulsion was more likely a hint from the Kremlin that the Soviet government happened to be a good customer of the Norwegian fishing industry. Vivid Account

For those unfamiliar with the bazaar which will be held Sat- details of the actual murder of urday, Dec. 12, at 116 University | Trotsky, the book offers a com-Place. Be sure to attend for posite picture based on reports some spectacular Xmas bar- of eyewitnesses, including my gains. It's a painless way to own account. These are quoted to considerable extent. State-The "low-cost-of-living" baz- ments made by the assassin to

> well, in my opinion, in presenthistory of Mercader's attempts to obtain parole. Obediently fol-

by Isaac Don Levine. Farrar, utilize the Minneapolis case to the future"? Do only unhappy his advantage.

When leaders of the Socialist Workers party became the first robot that finally leaves, as Levictims of the Smith Act for the "crime" of opposing imperialist pression of a sedate bourgeois"!) war and advocating socialism, Leon Trotsky, to deduce from Mercader implied that this justi- sassination that Levine really fied his assassination of Trotsky, like and to suggest how this for among the Minneapolis defendants was Jake Cooper, one der had his eye on the future of Trotsky's guards!

The attempt to probe the mind of the Stalinist killer is based on a prolonged psychiatric examination of the prisoner under court order. Some interesting facts concerning Mercader's Spanish and Stalinist backsassin's crimes in his infant trib-

David Alfaro Siqueiros, the ators. Mexican Stalinist painter, also tried to kill Trotsky, organizing political struggles in the Soviet the May 24, 1940, machine-gun Union and elsewhere, which assault, which Levine describes gives the real key to the historic in this book. Is the ultimate explanation for this attempted book. The inclusion of some Stalmurder (and actual killing of one inist plots and intrigues of duof Trotsky's guards) to be found in Siqueiros' unhappy relations the fringe of the main conspirwith his wet nurses?

tion do to Levine's political shallowness. heory that Mercader represents

infants of our capitalist world make happy Kremlin robots? (A vine himself puts it, "the im-

It is in the politics of the asgoes off tangent. He holds that Stalin in seeking Trotsky's murworld revolution. "To ride the coming revolutionary tide in triumph, he would have to eliminate his only potential post-war

This absurd judgment stems from the reactionary view that Stalinism and Trotskyism are simply two wings of commuground were turned up but it nism, both of them equally revolutionary and equally bad in timate explanation of the as- the final analysis. One supposes ulations with wet nurses. The vine to see the struggle between explanation for a political crime Stalin and Trotsky as principally still lies in the field of politics. a struggle between two conspir-

The background of social and contest, is thus missing from the bious authenticity, occurring on acy against Trotsky and Sedov, What does such an explana- scarcely compensates for this

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### Stinging Slap

The Algerian revolution served notice that it is by no means dead. On Nov. 20 it reached up and gave French President De Gaulle a stinging slap. Throughout Asia and Africa, the peoples must have cheered at the accuracy of the blow and laughed at the anger it provoked in De Gaulle, the self-inflated oracle of the "greatness of France."

De Gaulle has been behaving as if the struggle of the Algerian people for national liberation was as good as crushed. The terms he offered the Algerians on Sept. 16 were insulting. His offer of "self-determination" was a patent fraud.

The leaders of the Algerian National Liberation Front, however, agreed to talk the matter over with the French, and on Nov. 20 named five men to represent them. All five are prisoners of the French.

Four of them fell into French hands in October 1956 when a Moroccan plane carrying them from Morocco to Tunisia and flying over the Mediterranean Sea was forced by the French to land in Algeria. In short they were kidnaped in violation of international law. The Moroccan government protested vigorously against this gangsterism, but the French just brushed the protests aside.

Among the capitives is Mohammed Ben Bella, vice-premier of the Algerian government in exile. He is the most popular figure among the Algerian freedom fighters. It was under his command that the war of national liberation began five years ago. He was one of the four to be treacherously seized by the French.

By naming those who were kidnaped as its spokesmen, the National Liberation Front forcefully reminded De Gaulle that it hadn't forgotten about the perfidy of French imperialism and that it wasn't ready to cave in before his bluster or be suckered by his "self-determination'

Furthermore, by naming Ben Bella instead of a prominent moderate as negotiator, the Algerian government in exile served notice on De Gaulle that it considered itself to be negotiating from strength and not from weakness.

Finally, the Algerians rebuffed De Gaulle's arrogant stand that no political settlement of the Algerian problem could be discussed until four years after fighting stops. The government in exile directed its five envoys to take up "conditions and guarantees of the application of self-determination"-that is, to concentrate on the terms whereby Algeria will obtain its independence. The Algerians insist that agreement on this question must precede any talk about a cease fire.

De Gaulle has angrily refused to accept Ben Bella and the other four capitives as negotiators for the Algerian freedom fighters and again threatened the Algerian National Liberation Army with annihilation. But the Algerian people are determined to end French imperialist rule. They will not readily stop fighting without guarantees that independence will ensue.

### Tito and Mao on "Summit"

Though at loggerheads, the Yugoslav and Chinese Communist party leaders agree on one thing: any "peaceful coexistence" agreement that Moscow and Washington might conclude will not necessarily be binding on them.

For the Yugoslavs, Marshal Tito, addressing 100,000 persons near the Bulgarian border on Nov. 22, warned of "a constant danger" that any East-West agreement would be made at the expense of the small and less powerful nations. "I never could fall in with a policy which ignored the small countries and those outside both blocs and in which the big again became the tutors of the small," he said.

Tito speaks from experience. Once before the Yugoslavs had to challenge an arrangement between the Soviet bureaucracy and Western imperialism because it violated Yugoslav national rights. That was during World War II, when Stalin, Churchill and Roosevelt agreed to divide Eastern Europe into spheres of influence. According to the terms of the secret deal, Yugoslavia was to be shared 50-50 between Anglo-American imperialism and the Soviet Union. The monarchy was to be restored and capitalism guaranteed. Fortunately, the Yugoslav CP, which stood at the head of a revolutionary partisan movement, ignored the arrangements, defied Stalin's orders and went on to create an independent workers' state.

As for the Chinese, they have not publicly expressed themselves against Khrush-

chev's current "peaceful coexistence" maneuvers. But leading Polish Communist party officials who participated in the Peking celebrations of the tenth anniversary of the Uninese revolution report that for a few years, a pact such as the alliance, De Gaulle's inde-Mao Tse-tung is absolutely opposed to Khrushchev proposes lest it pendent course presents Wash-ton is pleased with Khrushsary of the Chinese revolution report that having Khrushchev negotiate for China at swerve them too far off their ington with a first-class head- chev's Oct. 31 speech, especially a summit meeting. (This was revealed by main course, which is to pre- ache and cuts down its freedom his support for De Gaulle's A. M. Rosenthal, New York Times correspondent, who was recently expelled from Poland because he had "probed too deeply" into Communist party matters.)

According to the Poles, "During the discussions between Premier Khrushchev and Mao Tse-tung . . . the Chinese leader said that Far Eastern issues of concern to Peiping could not be negotiated without . . . China's participation." (N.Y. Times,

For our part, we believe that what Tito and Mao say about no deals at the highly beneficial to mankind. expense of Yugoslavia's and China's in- Because it fits in with its cur- American big business and with terests goes double for the interests of the rent diplomatic objectives of its junior partners as well. The international working class. We think that negotiations between the Soviet and U.S. governments covering such matters as American military bases abroad, nuclear tests, trade and similar questions are completely in order and can prove highly beneficial. But we too warn that Khrushchev's 'peaceful coexistence" policy aims at settling more than these questions. It aims at a world status-quo deal that would sacrifice the working-class struggle for socialism in every land. And to that we are dead

### Fair Demand

Propaganda designed to discredit the Cuban people and their government has been increasing lately. The State Department has encouraged this by its own protests over what it terms "anti-American" 'expressions in Cuba.

The gist of the propaganda is that Cubans who agree with Premier Fidel Castro's "outbursts of anti-Americanism" are "ungrateful." That the U.S. has for 50 years played the role of "good neighbor;" in fact the U.S. has been "generous" to a

After all, we are told, America has always given preferential treatment to Cuba. Isn't it true that this year, under the sugar quota, established by Congress, we are buying 64% of Cuba's sugar crop at six cents a pound or double the world market price? The wind-up usually carries an implied threat that Congress might cut the sugar quota if Cubans refuse to listen to

In a note, Nov. 13, rejecting official U.S. protests, the Cuban government pointed out that "Cuba has actually given more than she has received." The note called attention to an agreement signed between the two countries in 1903, when Cuba has barely won freedom from Spain, which granted the U.S. "preferential duties ranging from 20-40 per cent below those charged to other countries . . . " while the U.S. "reserved the right to raise, unilaterally their import tariff, without detriment to those preferential duties."

Cuba was forced to take the bulk of her imports from America. "The only reciprocity derived . . . from that treaty was the preferential treatment of the imports of Cuban sugar, tobacco and certain minor products into the United States."

In 1934 another trade agreement allowed the U.S. preferential duty reduction ranging from 20% to 60%. This, the Cuban government declares, "coincided with the adoption of the sugar import quota system." Under that system Cuba lost "the single reciprocal concession we ever had in our trade with the United States," and "the American Government is free to change at will, disregarding our historical rights, the size of the Cuban sugar quota."

Cuba is now asking for a bilateral agreement that cannot be "modified by any unilateral decision" of the State Department. Considering the exploitation that the Cuban people have been subjected to, this demand is not only justified it is very

The one-sided trade "agreement" now existing between the U.S. and Cuba is a vestige of the Batista days when American capital ruled the Cuban economy as a semicolonial source of super profits.

The next move is up to the State Department. It will be watched by millions of people throughout Latin America who, like the Cubans, have good and sound reason to suspect Washington's much touted "generosity."



"Please, Fifi! Maybe his thumb was big and greasy; but it was on the scale, not the meat!"

### De Gaulle Pours Sand Coexistence' Works

approaches to the West Germans

Communist Party Policy

"peaceful coexistence" with

parties outside the Soviet bloc

This is made evident by recent actions taken by the CP in

France, India, Indonesia and

In France, the CP leadership

decided on Nov. 3 to support

But they reversed their stand

In India, the CP's national

In Indonesia, the CP last July

In Iraq last August, the CP

national leaders issued a stern

warning to the membership that

they had no intention of leading

a workers' bid for power against Gen. Abdel Kassem's

regime. The CP members were

told they must accept the "nec-

with Kassem. The orders were

according to the Aug. 21 Christ-

ment of the rights of the Alger-

All these readjustments of CP

ian Science Monitor.

Despite the complexities in-

and the British.

By Daniel Roberts Since Khrushchev's visit to to ban nuclear tests.

the United States last September, the U.S. and Soviet gov-- to relax international ten-

First, U.S. imperialism appears come more prominent and so such a deal. Not that the ruling these countries and Japan with with consulting Moscow about class of this country has any the United States. scruples about forcing people at home or abroad to accept the ular has seriously weakened the the hope that eventually Moscapitalist status quo. But Amer- military structure of the NATO cow "might become responsible ican big-business policy makers alliance. Since American imper- in the exercise of responsibilevidently fear to accept, even ialism is determined to preserve pare for war against the Soviet to maneuver with the USSR.

pointed up the fact that even he has to supplement his ap-cert of great powers linked to-U.S. and the Soviet Union are two-power deal with an ap- maintain peace, stability, and not easily arrived at because proach to De Gaulle. And he order in the world," "third powers" constantly in- also will have to make special Harsch. tervene and complicate the pro-

Take the cessation of nuclearbomb testing, for instance. An agreement to cease contaminating the atmosphere by explod- volved, Khrushchev persevere ing atomic bombs would be in his attempts to achieve seemingly promoting peace, policy pursued by Communist Washington has indicated that it might be willing to conclude have been tied to these attempts. such an agreement with Mos-

### French Plan Test

But it turns out that even if the U.S., Britain and the Soviet Union agree to end nuclear De Gaulle's plans for Algeria. testing, Pres. de Gaulle of These plans are designed to re-France will go ahead with atom- tain French imperialist control ic explosions on his own. France over the country while offering has not yet tested a bomb, but the Algerian people the semit plans to detonate one in a blance of "self-determination." few months in the Sahara Des- Last September, the CP leaders ert, despite the protest of all denounced De Gaulle's scheme.

On Nov. 20 by a vote of 51 to after Khrushchev praised it in 16, the United Nations General his Oct. 31 speech on foreign Assembly adopted a resolution policy delivered before the Suurging France not to conduct preme Soviet in Moscow. this test. But the French government has announced that it will council on Nov. 14 adopted a give up nuclear testing only if resolution stating that Prime the other nuclear powers begin Minister Nehru had taken the dismantling their atomic stockpiles. This is something U.S. king's claims in the border dismperialism simply will not do. pute between India and China. So De Gaulle - unless the White House buys him off - supported President Sukarno in can be expected to carry on the establishment of a semi-dicwith atomic explosions, and if tatorship that leans heavily on he does, this may kill the pros- the military.

### Soviet Scientists Hit Cheap Boasts

Three leading Soviet physicists came down hard on irres- essity of a long coexistence" ponsible boasting in the Soviet press about doubtful scientific reprinted with a show of satisheories. They charged that faction by Pravda in Moscow, "cheap sensations" in the scientific field would discredit all Soviet science.

In an article they co-authored for Pravda, Nov. 22, the three rejected as "vague," "unconvincing," and "unscientific" a theory by one of their colleagues that the flow of time is a source of energy in the universe. They condemned widespread propaganda about the theory as sen-

The three physicists are Igor east, he offers to help stabilize Pyotr L. Kapista and Lev Art- geoisie and in this form to help

indicated by Joseph C. Harsch must appear as a likely site for of galactic scope. That's imagiwriting in the Nov. 4 Christian the evolution of a new society. nation with an American sweep! Though France's go-it-alone policy stems from De Gaulle's Science Monitor. Back in 1956, It is probable that for a long ernments have taken further megalomaniac concern with re- says Harsch, Secretary of State time they will have been expectmeasures — such as broadening storing the country's "great- Dulles, after "one of his most ing the development of science the cultural-exchange program ness," it is part of a larger prob- unpublicized agonizing reap- near the sun. We shall assume lem confronting U.S. imperialpraisals," developed the concept sions. But Khrushchev's attempt ism and the Kremlin. Because that "it was already too late to channel of communication that instance, if we got an answer to conclude a two-power deal of the thaw, Washington has attempt to exclude the Soviets between Moscow and Washing- been forced to loosen the reins from the Middle East, and that us, and that they look forward ton, aimed at preserving the it holds on its Western allies. perhaps the time had come to patiently to the answering sig-

proposals on Algeria. "Moscow For Khrushchev, De Gaulle's is behaving almost as though it Second, the thaw itself has delusions of grandeur mean that belonged consciously to a conpartial agreements between the proaches to Washington for a gether in a common effort to

and France consequently be- cils.

as yet reluctant to enter into have the respective rivalries of experimented from time to time areas where the Soviet govern-De Gaulle's course in partic- ment had a "factual interest," in

Since then Washington has munity of intelligence."

### The American Way of Life

#### Life on Other Planets

William L. Laurence, science expert of the New York Times, wrote a column Nov. 22 that I am sure every scienceloving American will appreciate. It is about life on other planets and how near we are to

communicating with whatever of comparable sensitivity! If we reasoning beings may be on could decode the mathematical

Leaving out of account the million or so other galaxies within telescopic range, he estimates that if every one of the hundred billion suns in our own galaxy had a solar system like ours, as now seems likely, there are 100,-000 trillion planets capable of supporting life as we know it on earth. Even if only one in a billion stars had a single planet like ours, we would still have 100,000,000 habitable neighbors in our galaxy.

#### "Near Some Star"

It therefore stands to reason that many planets may have highly developed societies. As two Cornell University professors put it, "near some star rather like the sun there are civilizations with scientific interests and with technical possibilities much greater than those available to

"To the beings of such a society," they continue, "our sun come us and share knowledge that long ago they established a would one day become known to like the following to that imworld status quo indefinitely, Economic and political rivalries conduct an experiment in in- nals from the sun which would evidently keeps running into among England, West Germany viting them into world coun- make known to them that a new society has entered the com-

Thus it may be that civilizations much older and more advanced than ours have been be glad to talk with you again. signalling for decades or cen- Over." turies. True, it takes years for the signals to cross space; but in the case of stars like Tau Ceti and Epsilon Eridani the lag is only 12 years. They undoubtedly have receivers sensitive enough to "sift artificial signals from the jumble of radio noises coming from the earth and outer space.'

#### Our Receivers

Here is what is really exciting. and Our own radio astronomy has painful muscular affliction says now advanced so far that we are plaguing TV addicts with bad close to perfecting instruments sitting posture.

sequences which they might use as keys we could soon enter the galactic community of intelli-

Dr. Frank D. Drake, a prominent radio astronomer, has indicated the first questions he would ask (even though it might take 12 years because of the distance to get the answers). These would be "how to prevent cancer and heart disease; how to prolong life; how to control the energy of the fusion process in the hydrogen bomb for industrial power; how to develop man's creative potential; and, above all, whether — and if so how — the planetary society had managed to build a culture at peace, in which each individual lived a full physical and spiritual life."

Isn't that a prospect to stir the imagination! Far from being an isolated smear of protoplasm on a dust speck in an odd crevice of the universe, we may be part of a community waiting to wel-

But would we be prepared to act on the information and advice we might receive from older and wiser planetary communities? What would we do, for portant question about how to build a culture at peace:

"Fools! Read the accumulated wisdom in your libraries. Read Marx and Engels and Lenin and Trotsky. Follow their advice. And when you have learned to heed your own wise men, we'll

-Paul Abbott

#### IS IT WORTH IT?

One gauge of technological progress is the ailments that go with it. In grandpa's day, for instance, you might get kicked by an iron-shod horse. A few weeks ago a Kentucky doctor reported something new to the International College of Surgeons. It's "television bottom," a

### Headlines in Other Lands

### Yugoslavs Report Big Economic Rise

Yugoslavia increased an aver- from the Congress party. age of 11.9% a year and personal consumption 10.1%. This India and China was reported Nov. 18 to the Cen-Communist party by Mijalko In Border Dispute Todorovic, vice president in

charge of economic affairs. In the last seven years, Todorovic said, national income more of China a set of interim counthan doubled, industrial productier-proposals in the current tion rose almost two and a half boundary dispute. times and farm output rose 51%.

The economic gains did not advanced and backward areas, however. In the advanced reward areas.

#### Japanese Report Soviet Trade Bid "correct stand" in rejecting Pe-

A Soviet trade mission visiting Tokyo has offered to buy \$250 million worth of Japanese steel and machinery in 1960 from several Japanese companies.

The trade group offered to pay for these purchases on a longterm contract basis, whereby the Soviets would export iron ore, coking coal, crude oil and lumber to Japan.

Thus a five-year contract on ron ore would call for Soviet export of 3.2 million tons in 1965, 4 million tons in 1966 and not less than 4 million tons in each of the following three years.

The Soviet offer provides for more than seven times the amount to be earned by Japan in Soviet trade for this year.

#### policy are designed to convince Right-Wing Party Washington that a deal with Moscow will help contain the Growing in India upsurge of the colonial peoples within bounds compatible with

India's avowedly pro-capitalimperialist rule. In France, ist Swatantra (Freedom) party, Khrushchev throws his weight formed last August, is making behind De Gaulle to the detrirapid progress, says Sharokh Sa- by India in Ladakh. ian people. In Asia and the Midbavala in the Nov. 19 Christian Science Monitor. It is now in a from Tibet to the Sinkiang area Y. Tamm, Nobel Prizewinner, the rule of the colonial bour position to claim the status of of China goes through the conopposition party in the lower tested Ladakh territory. The simovich. All three hold leading keep these areas within the house of Parliament. For this it area in dispute there is from posts in the Soviet Academy of framework of world capitalism. needs 50 votes in the House out 14,000 to 20,000 feet high and That Washington has been of a total of 500. No other party has no native population.

has as yet been able to achieve Production Begins party, which claims to be socialist, holds the preponderance During the last three years, of seats. The Swatantra party output of goods and services in has gained most of its strength

India's Prime Minister Nehru has given the People's Republic

Nehru proposed Nov. 20 that

neither India nor China send out eliminate the imbalance between any more forward patrols along the McMahon line, which India claims is the legitimate frontier gions in 1957 per capita income in the north-east and that the was ten times that of the back- Chinese evacuate their post at Longju just south of the Mc-Mahon line. The Chinese refuse to recognize the McMahon line and claim that the border should be fixed some 50 to 100 miles further south. Longiu is the only post they have set up south of the McMahon line, but when Chinese forward patrols penetrated south of the line last August border clashes ensued.

In Ladakh, west of Tibet, where Peking and New Delhi dispute some 6,000 square miles of territory, Nehru proposed that the Indians withdraw west of the line claimed by the Chinese, and the Chinese withdraw east of the line claimed by the Indians. In newspaper Ta Kung Pao . . . the meantime negotiations reported nation-wide pressure should continue in order to determine the final border.

Peking's interim proposals, set orth by Premier Chou En-lai on Nov. 7, call for Chinese and Indian troops to withdraw 121/2 to 25 miles from their present along the north-east frontier. Although Chou's proposals would pull all Chinese troops well north of the McMahon line, the Indians reject these terms, because Chinese troops would still be inside territory claimed

A Chinese-constructed road

### In China's First Tractor Factory

China's first tractor plant went into operation on Nov. 1 at Loyang, a completely new industrial center about 500 miles south of Peking.

Construction of the plant began five years ago. Heavy machinery in the factory is from the Soviet Union. Lighter machinery is Chinese made.

On Nov. 3, the official Hsinhua News Agency reported the first consignment of 13 tractors arrived in the northernmost province of Heilungkiang, a wheatgrowing area.

### **Peking Conducts Drive to Reduce** Food Consumption

The People's Republic of China is operating with a stringent food supply this winter according to indications in the mainland press. "In recent weeks newspapers have been publicizing a campaign for economy in consumption of food grains," says Tillman Durdin in the Nov. 22 New York Times. "Persons who resist the austerity drive face being branded as 'rightists.'

"A recent copy of the Peiping to have rural households and mess halls sign economy pacts. These are pledges to reduce food consumption, to mix coarse grain with fine grain, to alternate liquid meals - gruel of rice millet or some other grain - with positions both in Ladakh and solid meals and to trim rations during slack working periods."

The economy pacts have followed mass meetings called by local officials to impress on the masses the need of saving food. Wide compliance is reported, says Durdin.

China suffered natural calamities this year on a scale reported to be the worst since before the 1949 revolution. According to official estimates, one-third of the country's farm acreage last summer was ravaged by floods,

drought or insects.

This illusory term is an invention of our monopolistic overlords as a cover up for their economic exploitation. Their A Boss Actually ruse is to confuse the minds of unwary workers and tie them Burns to Death to the servility of their rule. Their aim is to avoid acknow- Saving the Records ledgment of the struggle between capital and labor.

These so-called "managers" at most are the absentee owners pull the fire alarm box. I'm going a human mind that even the of our industrial capital, which upstairs and get my records." owners in the main have nothing to do with production, doing a boss in a Brooklyn dress com- records" — any records — are nothing but drawing the divi- pany as he ran back into the

YEAR IN JAIL FOR RENT GOUGER -

David Zygelman, a New York landlord charged

with violating rent laws, was sent to jail for a

year by General Sessions Judge Mullen Nov. 18.

The landlord had evaded the rent ceiling on

rooming houses by calling his 100-family unit a

"hotel" and charging more than the state limit

of \$15 a week. Almost all of his tenants were

on relief and many had to use food money to

pay the rent. Zygelman pleaded guilty to five

counts of a 105-count indictment and was sen-

tenced to serve a year on each count. The judge

tempered justice with some of the mercy usual-

ly extended to landlords by letting him serve

Workers Vice President Richard Gosser of To-

ledo has been relieved of his duties and "re-

quested" to take a six-months leave of absence.

Emil Mazey, secretary-treasurer of the union,

said the action was taken because of Gosser's

health. Gosser, however, seemed indignant about

this concern for his health. He said he recently

underwent a checkup and the doctors "tell me

I'm in pretty good shape." Union President

Reuther, who helped Gosser win his first elec-

tion, is reported to have cooled toward him

since Gosser was asked to testify in a union

CAL MAKERS - The agricultural chemical

manufacturers, who sold \$278 million worth of

pesticides and similar products this year, are

worried that public concern over the contami-

nation of cranberries by a chemical weed killer

may lead to tighter government regulation of

the use of their deadly products. "We believe (!)

products now on the market are thoroughly

safe and any further restrictions would make

our research cost prohibitive," an industry

spokesman said. That's a strong argument, all

the stronger because of the involvement of the

profits of such giant corporations as Shell Oil

and U.S. Rubber, now major producers of pesti-

cides. To avoid stricter laws against chemical

contamination of food, corporation spokesmen

suggest that they and the government spend

more money to "implore" farmers to read the

directions before using the chemicals on the

furor dies down over poisoned cranberries, lip-

stick manufacturers intend to make a fight

against a federal Food and Drug Administration

ruling banning the use of certain coal-tar dyes

in lipstick. After a 90-day test, the department

found that the potent chemicals killed labora-

AS SAFE AS CRANBERRIES - When the

country's food.

CRANBERRY SCARE WORRIES CHEMI-

bribery case before a New York grand jury.

NEVER FELT BETTER - United Auto

the sentences concurrently.

are hired employees, and thus you because when I read this also are members of the work- story in the Nov. 20 Worlding class, with the common in- Telegram I was reminded of a terests of all the workers. Too similar one I read in the Milimany of these are now serving tant sometime this fall. It was the capitalists, instead of report- about an old man who dashed ing to the workers. Such ser- into his burning office to save The term "management," now vice also is a fraud that should "the records." He managed to

spokesmen for capitalism, is a As said, the term "manage- from going back for the rest." pernicious fraud imposed on the ment" is a fraud; in fact, the working class, especially those whole economy based upon that workers not critically trained fraud is fraudulent. The action and on the watchout for such of the workers should make it honest and democratic.

Joseph Manlet Cleveland

"My place is on fire, please

burning building. The real managers in industry I'm taking the time to write

Notes in the News

had to be physically restrained

When I read the Militant story couldn't quite believe it. I thought maybe it was a little exaggerated. I can visualize, I think, dashing into fire to save the life of someone you know, but to save "the records"!

Now I'm ready to believe that there must have been more than a little truth in the Militant story. Nevertheless, these kind of news reports will always send a chill through me. It's rather awful to contemplate the fact that profit-making can so warp safety of life is obscured. It's These were the last words of hard for me to believe that "the more important than life. D. B.

spleens, anemia and other ailments. Lipsticks

the dyes did not induce cancer in the 90-day

test period. A long-term test is required to dis-

cover whether the coal-tar dyes are also cancer-

inducing. Spokesmen of the profitable industry

argue that women don't swallow enough dye to

suffer harm and anyway cosmetics are not sold

as food and therefore should be exempted from

NEGROES - Gov. Patterson of Alabama signed

bills Nov. 20 to put more barriers in the way

of Negro registration. The bills increase the

time that registration boards spend on clerical

work, thus cutting down the time available to

register prospective voters. The boards are also

now permitted to vary the time spent in each

precinct. By staying longer in predominantly

white precincts, the time available for Negro

voters to register will be cut down even further.

"the world's most corrupt city," in the opinion

of Ian Aiken, correspondent of the London Daily

Express. "Good old-fashioned graft is New

York's oldest and, if you judge by the well-heel-

ed company it keeps, most prosperously respect-

able industry," he reported. New York's Police

Department, "probably the world's most con-

CITY OF DISTINCTION - New York is

NEW VOTING CURBS FOR ALABAMA

the food and drug law.

New York City

### THE MILITANT **VOLUME XXIII**

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### "Remain Patient and Steadfast"

Under the title, "Integration at Little Rock," we printed the above picture in our Aug. 24 issue. It shows Jefferson Thomas standing alone waiting transportation to his home now on the market were not confiscated because after finishing a morning session at Central High School, Aug. 17. The white students across the street jeer the only Negro student permitted in the school under token integration. The Militant observed that the "heroism of this youth has won world-wide admiration.'

Last week the Militant received a letter about this photograph from Krishnanath, a contributor to Mankind, a magazine published n Hyderabad, India. Krishnanath, still in his twenties, has served several prison terms for his activities as a socialist and participant in political demonstrations.

The Indian socialist asked us to forward a letter, which he had enclosed, to Jefferson Thomas, and gave us permission to make it public. The letter is as follows:

A letter from a socialist from the other end of the world does not take you unawares. Does it? I hope it does not. For it is your due.

I write this to congratulate you on your courage with which you are facing the uneasy quiet and humiliating jeering, etc., from the white racists at your Central High School.

We have been receiving news of racial discrimination at Little Rock and elsewhere with anger and sorrow for quite some time.

Only recently I saw your photograph at Central High Aug. 17 on the front page of the Militant of New York. It struck me as a portrait of silent suffering.

We wish you to remain patient and steadfast and hope many more of your folk will join your school immediately and your individual and collective, suffering will ultimately effect a change of heart even of the diehard racists at your school and elsewhere. Even now and from this distant land, I can very well visualize that there are at least a few of your class fellows, all white, who have all love and affection for you, besides many others who are just neutrals. Hope the number of your friends increases and also that the passive love or neutrality of others turns into active affection and real integration begins at your school as also all over the United States.

This is also to invite you to write an intimate account of your experience at your of powdered milk. In recent school. Do write to us your true feelings of months the government cut out anger and sorrow and joy and also of the sources of courage, etc., that come you at school and outside. You may arrange your story date-wise, or even otherwise. But don't generalize overmuch. Be personal, pointed and sharp. And also do it at your earliest. Can't you just sit down and do it in almost no time as soon as you have my letter? With heartiest greetings.

Yours affectionately,

Krishnanath

## Big Business

(Continued from Page 1) 80-day period? If so, defeat is

assured in advance. For the courts are but one of the weaness in their war against labor. Can labor rely upon its

icans to work will not move even further in curbing the rights of workers and their

"There is no certainty," conthat passed the Landrum-Grifpiously proclaims it is protection, there is every certainty that the administration and Congress will gang up with the bosses to

If not the courts, administration or Congress, what then? The proposals by George Meany of a summit conference by labor heat is intense. After a week's of industry are girded for war. incarceration, a doctor is sup- They have tasted blood and are ing the recent trial of the white posed to listen to the victim's straining for the kill, They will Southern white supremacy in- rapists of the Negro co-ed he heart every third day. At Reid's not be diverted by "peaceful minister doses of castor oil at words of appeasement. They understand only the language of

> Does labor have the power to death of a buddy from similar strength and the support it can only chance to survive lay in this force constitutes an overwhelming majority of the peo-

The main requirement is a ing program of action. The re- takes an average of one hour at ments and have a thorough Before the Civil War, dough- junction period can be used to and deliver the locomotive to If anything happens to the en-Republican Rockefeller, who de- Labor to convene in Washington seniority. Out of some 4,500 measure.

consideration should be given to workers of their elementary huimmediate measures to stem the man rights. Hitler did," comments Bill legislative assault. Set up union (3) For the nationalization of Slusher, "Shoot 'em when they

committees to investigate every all monopoly industry and the get too old. Maybe that's the senator and congressman, es- introduction of workers control. answer." pecially their ties with the cor- Free the American economy porations. Plan meetings and from the stranglehold of the demonstrations throughout the price-gougers and money chang- been drastically reduced. Crum-"friends" in Washington to fight country to rally public forces ers and place it under the containty," says a Nov. 14 AFL-CIO Then consider a longer-range workers committees. program such as this:

working people against the rav- are political questions involving ages of inflation and automation the control of government. So unemployment. In trade - union long as government remains the terms this means the incorpora- monopoly of big business, opertion of an escalator clause in ating through the two-party each labor contract and a reduc-system, working people will be inues the edit, "that a Congress tion of hours with no reduction at the mercy of the monopoly in pay - the 30-hour week at capitalists. Break with the pol-

Kennedy-Landrum-Griffin Acts on a rational basis providing union wages force small operaand outlaw all punitive anti-la- abundance and security for all. bor measures. Labor is in no way obligated to "obey" class

'(4) For an Independent labor (1) For a sliding scale of party based on the trade unions. injunctions to coerce free Amer- wages and hours to protect the All important questions today (2) For the outright repeal of ing "friends" and fight for a tage of the misery they have imall class legislation: Junk the Workers and Farmers govern- posed. They say: Cut the union ing." How delicately it is put. slave labor Taft - Hartley and ment that can organize society wage scale. They claim that 1702 East 4th St. Doors open 10

legislation designed to deprive Militant on to a friend?

### Put Miners in Pits of Despair By Flora Carpenter What is happening to the 720,000 human beings who

Mine Machines

are listed, in federal IBM tabulating files, under the cold. statistical category of "long-term unemployed?" An answer

can be found in Eastern coalmining regions where pockets of | cent wage he ought to be out of hungry families exist whose business." However, some minbreadwinners have not worked ers, pressed by starvation, are for more than two years.

Technological advances and the callousness of mine owners and government officials are the reasons for the miners' desperate situation. In a series entitled, 'Pits of Despair," Scripps-Howard writer, Dickson Preston, tells of the "long-term unemployed" Rises in Dallas who live in Harlan County in eastern Kentucky.

"The mine [Blue Diamond] closed down in June, 1957," said Jake Mays, 46-year-old miner, 'Since then I've worked about a month . . . I've been everywhere

. . But they won't give you a second look if you're over 35. I reckon I'm too old to work and too young to retire."

With seven children to feed, the Mays family is entitled to the maximum in federal surplus distribution. They get monthly allotments of three sacks of flour, four bags of corn meal, "pokeful" of rice, eight cans of powdered eggs and six boxes ten pounds of cheese and ten News. pounds of butter formerly included in the allotment.

Many families do not receive even this meager pittance. "I don't even get federal surplus," says Carlos Skidmore, 35, "You gotta have more in the family speeches." around here - and we only have the one boy."

Some of the younger men have found jobs elsewhere or have been rehired in the mines 15 months. but "older" men like Mays, and Bill Slusher, 61, are left with little hope.

"Maybe we ought to do what

The number of production men working in most of the mines has of democratically elected employing 1,200 men to 150: Lynch (owned by U.S. Steel) ers party and former Teamster from 4,200 to 1,200; Black Star union official. "Labor's Role in from 1,000 to none.

vation in some parts," reports Hall No. 812; 410 So. Michigan Albert Pass, secretary treasurer Blvd. Donation 90 cents. Ausof United Mine Workers' District pices: Militant Labor Forum. 19, "Make no mistake about it this is a real depression."

Mine owners in Harlan County, where bloody battles were fought to win union recognition icy of supporting double-cross- 20 years ago, are taking advantors out of business.

In answer to the scab mer-Why not pass this copy of the chants, UMW's Albert Pass said, "If an operator can't pay a de-

working in non-union mines at less than half of the UMW scale of \$24.25 a day.

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# "Moonlighting"

DALLAS, Texas - "Moonlighting" is on the rise here. That's not romancing under the stars, as it might have been in the "good old days." It's hard work on the double - one person holding down two jobs.

According to F. E. James, district director of the Texas Employment Commission, the increase is due to a shortage of unemployed and to the fact that low-paid white-collar workers make up 55% of the work force (compared to 45% for the nation as a whole).

"They are the group stabbed hardest by the cost-of-living hikes that have been averaging two to three percent a year,' James told the Dallas Morning

One executive of a large ofice said, "Seventy-five percent of our people have another job -selling autos and clothes, store-clerking . . . myself, I get \$25 to \$50 for platform

HOUSING STARTS

Home-building starts in October were at the lowest rate in

### Calendar Of Events

CHICAGO

Hear Farrell Dobbs, National Secretary of the Socialist Work the 1960 Elections." Saturday, "They're pretty close to star- Dec. 12, 8 p.m.; Fine Arts Bldg.,

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"Labor's Role in the 1960 Elections." Hear Farrell Dobbs, Socialist Workers party National Secretary and 1956 presidential candidate; former Minneapolis Teamsters Union leader. Sat., Dec. 5, 8:30 p.m., 322 Hen-

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lodging while held away from per of the railroad brotherhoods, In computing the workers' hour- Auspices SWP. Contrib. 50¢. home terminals.

hours at straight time.

take a look at that "juicy" New | About that fireman who the highly skilled engineer who on a pillow as depicted in cur-\$19.65, making the pay for that The fireman is the "co-pilot" of run \$90.30, not \$100. Moreover, the engineer, undergoing extenthe engine crew reports for sive training and charged with duty one hour and 45 minutes essential duties.

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#### tory rats. Animals that survived showed retarded growth, liver and kidney damage, enlarged "many problems." ilins' assurance, a political assist forced to crouch or stoop. Be-(Continued from Page 1) law we cannot champion some to Rockefeller in soft-soaping the tween his legs are two buckets constitutional responsi-

bilities and evade others." the differences between Roman erates not only in his own counand U.S. law, Pontius Pilate did ty but wherever he wishes. Durnot word it much differently.

sures that Reid will not be ac- invaded the courtroom in Tal- camp it was the practice to ad- coexistence" pleas or honeyed corded the "due process and lahassee, the state capital, in an equal protection of the law" stipulated in the Constitution. It is New York Post reporter.

Rockefeller further declared: "I earnestly share the concern den death at the hands of Sheriff treatment convinced Reid his muster from its allies. Together of the many individuals and organizations who have communi- He has 13 years of his original escape. cated with me on behalf of Mr. sentence still to do. For escaping Reid that Mr. Reid receive the he will be sentenced to another full measure of protection ac- five years at least. For an or- escape, his fight against extra- militant leadership and a fight- Washington. After each run, it nals, grade and safety requirecorded by the U.S. Constitution dinary prisoner it would be a to all persons. The assurances feat of endurance to survive 18 ditions in Florida's chain gangs. maining days of the steel inthat I have received from Gov. years on the chain gang. But Collins confirm that he shares Reid will not be treated as an faced governors (the term then mobilize the organized power of the engine house. this concern for the rights of ordinary prisoner. all persons . . . [Reid] . . . will

tody upon his return is assured."

attempt to arrest Ted Poston,

already established that Reid | Should Reid succeed in winhas been denied both by Florida. ning a new trial in Florida, that weeks' incarceration he would turn back the anti-union offen-Rockefeller knows this well. But trial would have to be in Lake be immediately put back on the sive and vanquish the forces of his presidential campaign stra-tegy makes useful at this point should be remembered that in strength — compounded by a for survival? It has — if it will an indication to the white suthe "Little Scottsboro" frame- back injury sustained in a beatonly use it effectively. In this with, a 100-mile day's pay for That doesn't mean he just sits premacists of how he can be up, McCall shot the Negro pristing - was called shirking and war, which is an acknowledged expected to act in the White oners who had won a new trial,

en route to that trial. But if Reid should escape sud-McCall, what then awaits him?

be in the custody of state and among guards, Reid was ques- dited fugitive slaves. Descend- are tooling up for an intensified round trip is 16 hours and more the engine cab was indicated Ohio. not local authorities, and safe tioned by the authorities in pri- ants of this breed are New assault on labor when Congress often it takes up to 20 hours. when both California and Wiscustody to Florida and safe cus- vate. After eight guards had York's Democratic ex-Governor reconvenes in January. Against Quite a day's work! been fired, Reid could never con-What the above says without vince the others that he hadn't his civil-rights promises signed tion the union movement should naming names is that Gov. Col- "talked." He was given the Reid's extradition papers, and issue a call for a Congress of it is reserved for men with top diesel cabs as a vital safety lins told Rockefeller that Reid sweatbox "treatment."

would not be put in the juris- The sweatbox is too narrow spite his recently purchased life prior to the opening of the boss- Pennsylvania Railroad en-

sistently corrupt law enforcement agency" outside of Latin America, he added, is "laughingly called New York's finest." VEXED VIEWERS - The American public is quite indignant about the current television

scandals, reports the Wall Street Journal after polling 300 people in different cities. Nearly twothirds of those queried were "disturbed" by the pons in the arsenal of big busicurrent revelations and about 23% described their reactions in stronger terms — "shocked," "outraged," "disgusted." A Salem, Mass., seamstress said, "They made monkeys out of us. We its battles? sat there with our mouths open while the contestants struggled for the answers, and all News editorial, "that an adminthe time it was a bluff." On the other hand, a istration that is willing to use San Francisco furniture dealer "wasn't upset." He said, "Payoffs, kickbacks, fixes almost seem

to be part of the system." A GREAT YEAR AHEAD - "Don't let trade unions." And what of tight money policies or labor uncertainties blind | Congress? your eyes to the profit possibilities of the coming year. 1960 will bring many problems - yes but also exceptional profit opportunities." That's the enthusiastic word in an advertisement we fin Act will not move further to 40 hours pay. received from United Business Service, a Boston curb the democratic rights it so firm that sells advice on how to invest your capital. The tip off cheered us up but we can't

help wondering who is going to have those If past experience is any criterdo a hatchet job on labor. New York public, is worthless. — one for water, the other his and industry chiefs to establish McCall has successfully defied toilet. Once a day he is given a harmonious relations is a piece With due allowance made for Collins repeatedly. McCall op- piece of bread and water. The of arrant nonsense. The jackals

> intervals. Reid was repeatedly thrown power. into the sweatbox. After two became the pretext for another class war, labor can rely only handles that crack train is rent railroad advertisements. sentence to the sweatbox. The upon its own independent

To the old grudge of the white ple of this country. guards will now be added Reid's dition and revelations about con-