Anti-American Demonstration in Japan

Take Big Step Toward Negro Labor Council

The recent conference held in Cleveland to organize an American Negro Labor Council was a historic step both for the Negro people and for organized labor. The response

to the conference call and the

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ministrative and management convention to be held in Depositions within the AFL-CIO troit next April. and other independent unions" attended the conference, according to the Nov. 28 Michigan constitution was also set up. It the convention, he testified be-Chronicle.

A Cop's Way In Memphis

L. F. Palmer, editor of the Tri-State Defender, Negro newspaper published in Memphis. Tenn., received a phone call on Sunday, Nov. 22, from an employee who had been involved in a minor traffic accident in West Memphis (Arkansas) and needed \$250 bond. Gathering the money available in the office, Palmer took \$210 in bills and \$40 in rolls of coins in bank wrappers to the West Memphis police

"Stack it up!" commanded the desk sergeant. "I didn't know what he meant," relates the Negro editor. "I told him the money was already wrapped and marked. That's all in the world I said to the man. He reached across the counter and hit me in the face. Then he jumped over the counter after me. He hit me me into a phone booth. Then he Workers, Laborers and Hod at that time.

The cop's parting words were: "The next time you come to while the now famous exchange West Memphis, act like a nigger between himself and AFLis supposed to act." Palmer is CIO President Meany at the trying to take legal action AFL-CIO's San Francisco conagainst the guardian of the law.

plans laid by the delegates in- of the Brotherhood of Sleeping dicate that an important move- | Car Porters and a vice-president ment is in process of being of the AFL-CIO, presided. A born. It is a movement which steering committee of 30 mem-will greatly advance the fight bers, headed by Milton Web-cut in take-home pay as the against Jim Crow and greatly ster, BSCP vice-president, was UAW's "major demand." But on strengthen the power of organ- set up. Its plans include going this question too Reuther & Co. from city to city with Randolph felt. "Now is not the time," and "More than 300 Negro labor to set up local ANLC councils the convention adopted a resoleaders holding responsible ad- in preparation for a national lution making the shorter week

the founding convention and a any sense. Just a month after A. Philip Randolph, president United Auto Workers official and Unemployment Problems at a organization of Negro unionists on behalf of the UAW. Someber of years in that city.

Among those at the Cleveland conference were unionists from voted to make the shorter week New York, Washington, D. C., Atlanta, St. Louis, Youngstown Detroit, Cleveland, Chicago Reuther applied the full pres-Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Columbus, Marietta and St. reluctant decision that 1958 was Clairsville, Ohio.

area where Thomas Starks of game. the United Mine Workers is organizing a unit of the new movement. The largest single delegation at the conference was from Detroit. Youngstown, a steel center, was next.

pelonged included: Allied Industrial Workers, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, Long-shoremen, Mine Workers, Amercan Federation of Teachers, Auto Workers, Hotel and Res- he merely said, "Now is not the taurant Workers, Building Ser- time." That was because there vice Employes, Machinists, Of- was a strong opposition to the several more times and knocked fice Employes, Communications Reuther machine in the UAW

Carriers, and Teamsters. (Continued on Page 4)

closed is check for \$25."

'We have had a lot of unem-

I also received an impressive

a sample copy of a beautifully

watering recipes was probably

went into making up the book-

SWP and the Militant. Special

(Continued on Page 2)

Socialist Fund Campaign Lags Behind Schedule

By Reba Aubrey, Campaign Director

Everybody knows that good intentions don't satisfy

too — eventually.

But if they don't organize

But if they don't organize landlords, printers or the power trust. And I suppose that anyone with their outlook, studying this week's scoreboard,

wouldn't feel impressed. Contributions to our Socialist Publica- us all and it would be demoraliztion Fund dropped below average right when they should go above it if we're to meet that amount before the deadline. En-Dec. 15 deadline in full and on

But I don't like the outlook of the business world, and be- ployment, plus the steel strike sides I know only too well what which just ended. We are builda hard job it is to raise a rela- ing up steam for the final push." tively large sum of money no matter how devoted you are to indication from Los Angeles this the socialist cause. For most week of the kind of effort that working people it's all you can socialists put into raising funds do just to make ends meet each for the greatest cause in the week. So when you add up daily world. A warm friend sent me living expenses and the regular contributions that socialists in mimeographed cookbook which clude in their budget to make they ran by hand, page by page, sure the movement keeps going and bound with loving care and then contributing to a fund like skill for sale at their bazaar. this spells sacrifice for almost Collecting the 70-odd moutheveryone involved.

On the other hand as soon as fun, because it meant learning a you start talking about sacrifices lot of secrets, but what work I think about what revolutionary-minded people have done in let! That's socialists for you. other times and places and I A New York meeting last begin to feel a little embarrassed week provided another inspirabout even mentioning "sacri- ing example of the kind of loyalfice" when all that's involved is ty and willingness to dig down a little money. I think most of us deep that will spell success for have been so thoroughly trained our venture. The New Yorkers in capitalist ways of thinking took a king-size quota of \$4,200. that at the same time the cost that we just hate to part with More than \$250 has already been of living had jumped to a new the bits of metal and pieces of contributed by friends of the

Well, we are seriously behind affairs are being organized. The schedule, but each time I started comrades themselves have made highest dividend payments for to feel pessimistic the last few substantial pledges and are days I bolstered my morale by working hard to get them in on re-reading the letter from Jo, time. Yet after looking over the worker with three dependents Cash dividend payments came ure in the party and its leader the rules "to get enough votes lican party is controlled by big our Seattle fund director. "I'm figures in a practical way, Fund dropped 30 cents to \$80.03 a to \$844 million for the month. in the Senate. In 1952 he got to steal all the contested dele- business. But Taft's confirmation on the tap, it's because of derushing in every bit of fund Director Howard Grabel had to week. At the same time, prices The total for the first nine commitments from 604 dele- gates," how the Eisenhower of what power this social group tergents. Water purification sysmoney when we get it," she report that New York might wrote, "even though it's late at still wind up several hundred tember, the sixth rise in seven lion, up a half billion from last presidential nomination if every- how the delegates were affected machine offers food for political detergents. Thus increasing use night and the eight-hour factory dollars short. grind starts early.

"Our score is embarrassing to

Walter ('NINTT') Reuther

By George Breitman DETROIT - Several Negro

delegates asked Walter Reuther, at the Reuther caucus held during the recent United Auto Workers convention in Atlantic City, to support their fight for representation on the international executive board to be elected that week. The substance of his answer was: "Now s not the time."

Later, during the convention. a number of delegates sought to get the union to set a fight for "a" major demand.

In fact, Reuther doesn't con-Another committee to prepare sider this demand as major in s headed by Horace Sheffield, fore the Senate Committee on president of the Detroit Trade hearing in Detroit, and present-Union Leadership Council, an ed a lengthy 10-point program which has functioned for a num- how, the shorter week was not among them.

The 1957 UAW convention its main objective in 1958. But at the 1958 special convention sure of his machine to force a not the time after all. Two years St. Clairsville is a coal mining later, he is still playing the same

(Wide World photo.)

volving two of the biggest steel.

What's Good

Everyone remembers Charles

E. Wilson's famous remark in

Motors is good for the country."

Eisenhower's cabinet became

clearer last week when the

Michigan Supreme Court gave

Buick which company officials

Holding that the company had

knew were equipped with faulty

failed to warn 1953 Buick own-

The justices found that GM

They noted that Buick agencies

gerous instrument.'

power brakes.

companies in the country.

For GM

When Is Now?

It's enough to make you wonder. Does he mean it will never be the time when he says it isn't now? A look backward at Unions to which the conferees the union's history supports this

In the 1930's and 1940's the UAW frequently and regularly expressed the need for labor to form its own party. Reuther in Steelworkers, Retail-Wholesale those days didn't say he was Department Store Union, United forever opposed to a labor party;

But when this opposition was Randolph told reporters that defeated, and its leaders deserted or sold out, then Reuther out exactly what he meant: Now is not the time for a labor party, and it never will be, he said and still says.

There's a lesson in this for advocates of 30-for-40 and of question as to his fitness to join Negro representation. If they organize strongly and fight for what they want, Reuther will give them some lip-service, if its opinion on sales of 1953 nothing more; he will agree that their objectives are good

themselves, if they don't fight ers that they were driving defor what they believe in, if in fective automobiles, the court effect they depend on him to ordered a jury trial in a damage lead the fight for things he suit filed by Robert Comstock ing, except for our absolute confidence of getting the full doesn't want to fight for, then whose leg was amputated after the cause they advocate will an accident involving one of the suffer a severe setback, as the cars. pro-labor party movement did. The decision reversed a lower And then a "P.S." explains:

Those who want a shorter court judge who had dismissed week will have to organize the the suit. ranks to fight for it at the UAW special convention next year; had "warned its dealers" of a and one of the things they will defect in the brake system, but have to fight against is Reuther's | "did not warn those into whose tricky evasions, not taking his hands they had placed this danword for anything.

Those who want Negro representation in the UAW leader- had been instructed to repair ship (after 24 years, its execu- the power-brake system whentive board is still all-white) had ever a 1953 model came into better adopt a similar attitude. their shops "without notice to (Continued on Page 2) the owners."

While the steel barons have Nov. 23 in a San Francisco fed- the western states covered by peen proclaiming that boosts in eral court charging violation of the present conspiracy charge. steel prices are due to rises in the Sherman anti-trust law-wages and have pointed accus- against United States Steel of considerable interest to the liberately calculated to undering fingers at what they call the Corp., Bethlehem Steel Co., four steel monopolists. When the 'monopoly power" of the Steel- smaller producers, 12 fabricators market price is not fixed, reinworkers Union, the Justice De- of steel bars and the Western forced concrete acts as a com-

Of Conspiracy to Fix Prices

Part of a crowd of Japanese, estimated at 27,000, who stormed through police lines in

Tokyo Nov. 27 onto grounds of parliament buildings to protest American-Japanese military

treaty due to be signed in January. In foreground are flat-topped hats of Japanese police. The

demonstrators were organized by the Communist and Socialist parties, the Sohyo labor feder-

ation and Zengakuren, a radical student organi ation. Police suffered 250 casualties, demonstra-

tors 212. Police said about 200,000 people participated in similar demonstrations in other cities.

After 15 months of sleuthing, to reinforce concrete in con- reinforced concrete - so long the Department entered suit struction work. Rebars rank as rebar prices are competitive. fourth among the products turned out by the steel industry.

the fabricators whacked up a tion, declared that "Contrary to ently hoped that wives might seven-state territory, entering into collusion in making bids the government's allegations, be persuaded to pressure their husbands to accept the offers "irate" Eisenhower will devote the property of the persuaded to pressure their husbands to accept the offers the property of the prop and fixing contract terms.

U.S. Steel and Bethlehem agreeing not to sell materials the smaller firms to pool their 1953, "What's good for General directly from their mills to construction contractors who want-What the head of GM meant ed to make their own rebars. In when he gave this answer to a return for this squeeze, the fabricators agreed not to buy rebars from foreign producers.

The court has been asked to enjoin the fabricators from dividing up the market and making collusive bids. The court has also been asked to require that the manufacturers sell rebars

partment has been investigating Reinforcing Steel Fabricators petitive check on the price of a price-fixing conspiracy in- Association of Oakland, Calif. big structural steel beams. Steel bars or rods, known in When the beams get too expenthe trade as "rebars," are used sive, builders tend to switch to Commenting on the federal

> served as a vital source for the and not to strike again." preservation of free competition resources" to stand up against

"the larger fabricators." The federal suit charged that in 1958, the fabricators controlled 75% of the rebar market in Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Washington. Not bad for "smaller

INSTANT SEX

directly to contractors through- aerosol can is a perfume called before the mediation efforts class reality. The proposal by out the country as well as in Lady Chatterly's Instant Sex. | were scheduled to resume."

Steel Barons Hit Union with An Ultimatum

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 - The American labor movement was once again given an object lesson in "free collective bargaining" vesterday when the steel corporations came

into a bargaining session called by federal mediators and laid their "last offer" on the table with a take-it-or-leave-it ultimatum to the Steelworkers

It was the first "collective bargaining" session held under government auspices since the issuance of the Taft-Hartley injunction. The "last offer" submitted yesterday was identical with the offer rejected by the union on Nov. 15. Under the Taft-Hartley law it is to be submitted to the steel workers for referendum vote.

While the corporations had 60 lays from the date the injunction was issued to present their 'last offer," they elected to cut through the "collective bargaining" farce staged by Eisenhower's, mediators and launch a campaign directed at the steel workers and their families. Accuse Giant Steel Companies

The steel corporations long ago decided to utilize the 80-day injunction period to try and brainwash the steel workers into accepting the companies' terms. They waited until a few hours before the first bargaining meeting scheduled by federal mediators to release a "two-color brochure" mailed to their score their contempt for the "bargaining sessions" of the federal mediators and the Mc-Donald leadership.

The corporation statement, observes the Dec. 2 Wall Street Journal, "was understood to be part of a campaign for worker votes in the Taft-Hartley 'final offer' ballot next month. By action, F. S. Clough, a spokes- mailing statements to workers' The federal suit charges that man for the fabricators associa- homes, steel companies appar-

The distribution of the corpormeeting apparently caught the pute. Eisenhower, says this labor leaders bow and scrape react to the back-of-the-hand ment." This, my friends, is addslap administered by the steel ing insult to injury! moguls Chief federal mediator Joseph F. Finnegan had no comment to make, says the Wall Street Journal, "but he was known to be irate . . . at the ultimatum, the union movement Latest product available in an timing of the leaflet just hours was given another lesson in

Report Gov't Plan To Draft Strikers

The government may not yet have the nerve to try it, but according to one Washington report, the Justice Department is cooking up legislation to draft steel strikers if they walk out again at the end of the present 80-day injunction.

Attorney General William Rogers is drawing up an amendment to the Universal Military Training Act, said syndicated columnists Robert Allen and Paul Scott Nov. 24, that would permit the President to seize plants even if they are not working on government contracts. Under the present draft law, he can take over plants doing government work after declaring a "national emergency."

The precipitate action of the steel bosses, you see, threatens to give away the whole show. The sole object of government mediation is to pressure the union to further whittle down its already meager demands to meet the ultimatum of the employers. To do so without inciting a rank-and-file revolt there must at least be some pretense of "collective bargaining." The 'irate" Mr. Finnegan has grounds for complaint. The action of the steel monopolists will not make his role any easier.

It appears that "Injunction Ike" is irate too! The Wall part of his nation-wide radio television broadcast this week were among those charged with in this industry. It has allowed ation statement prior to the to the steel labor-industry disgovernment flunkies by surprise. spokesman for big business, "is And how did these august prepared to criticize both union gentlemen - before whom our and management for failing to arrive at a negotiated settle-

Lesson in Reality

On the same day the steel corporations laid down their (Continued on Page 4)

But the Bankers "Liked

And That Finished 'Mr. Republican"

By Joseph Hansen

Publication of a confidential analysis of the 1952 Republican convention, drawn up seven years ago by the late Robert A. Taft to explain his defeat by that some striking move would General Eisenhower, created a stir last week.

The secret document was made public Nov. 24, apparently thought it might help the Viceruns the capitalist political ma-Taft was devoured by ambi- least a year ago . . .

siduously made politics his pro- or controlled, of course, by the been these issues the publicity is a power far greater than all

Spendable earnings for a was decidedly more handsome. publican," the most popular fig- ed up on us," how they changed increased 0.2% from mid-Sep- months of the year was \$9.9 bil- gates, exactly enough to win the forces used "smear" tactics, and actually wields over the GOP tems will remove soaps but not months. The cost of living is year. The annual rate is expect- one stuck tough at the conven- by the "tremendous publicity thought, since they wield similar of the chemical cleaners has be-What was the response? More now officially estimated as ed to approach \$14 billion as tion. And yet Eisenhower, a blitz . . . " Taft could not do power over the Democratic come a serious public health

fessional Taft.

At the time, Eisenhower's victory was ascribed to "tactical" blunders committed by the Taft forces. Taft brushed this explanation aside as superficial.

"I don't want my supporters to feel that there were any serihave solved the whole problem,' he wrote.

"The result of the convention by followers of Nixon who came far more from underlying causes which had operated President in his contest with steadily for eight months, and Rockefeller for the 1960 GOP continued to operate at Chicago. nomination. Whatever Nixon's First, it was the power of the interest may be, Taft's analysis New York financial interest and deserves attention for the evi- a large number of business men dence it offers on who really subject to New York influence, who had selected General Eisenhower as their candidate at

Eastern capitalists.)

His abilities were such that he became known as "Mr. Re-Stassen and Eisenhower "gang-Eisenhower press."



marily because of the "tremendous expense involved,"

As for tactical mistakes - "It firms would have invented the gold the bankers represent.

It is no news that the Repub-

Trade unionists who imagine that it might be possible to win control of the Democratic party can learn something from Taft's analysis of his defeat. If it's hopeless for a wealthy

politician, representing powerful capitalist interests and backed by a majority of the machine, to buck the "Eastern financial interest," how much more hopeless is it for trade unionists to attempt it? Without intending to do so,

Taft provided us with one more proof of the correctness of the Marxist view that political parties represent class interests. You can't steal a party built by the capitalists; it's burglar proof. Not even a section of the captalist class with a different view on how to run the country can take it away from the big economic royalists.

What you can do though is start from scratch, build a party

SIGN OF SEWAGE

If water foams when you turn

Living Costs Hit New Peak As Dividends Top Record

Bureau of Labor announced was in transportation costs. the spendable income of factory increase of 0.4% and medical workers had dropped back to costs rose 0.2%. the level of December 1956 and that U.S. corporations made the sult of the index rise. any October in history.

25.5% higher than in 1947-49. | against \$9 billion five years ago. | general of no political experi- much better than he did pri- machine.

On Thanksgiving Day the The biggest monthly increase chines.

About a million and a quarter workers covered by union escalator clauses will receive a partment of Commerce disclosed cent-an-hour increase as a re-Compensation to the stock-

holders of the giant corporations

that in the month of October 1.4%. Clothing was next with an tion to become president of the "Second, four-fifths of the in-United States like his father. He fluential newspapers in the is all very well to-say that we had a good chance of making it, country were opposed to me should not have permitted these of, by and for the workers. Such too, for he came of a wealthy continuously and vociferously issues to be created, but the a party can beat the Demofamily, enjoyed the backing of and many turned themselves in- alternative was surrender on GOP combination, for the workthe strong Middle West section to propaganda sheets for my matters in which we were in ing class, properly organized of the capitalist class, and as- opponent." (Newspapers owned the right, and if there had not for independent political action.

Conflict Noted in Chinese Communist Party | BOOKS

By Daniel Roberts

A sharp conflict is evidently now taking place within the Chinese Communist party. This is indicated by a stepped-up campaign in the CP press against "right opportunists."

As is customary in Stalinist parties, the press denunciations carry only one side of the argument. Those under attack are not permitted to express their opinions. In this case they are not even identified by name. That those tarred with the "right opportunist" brush include highly placed CP functionaries is indicated by a recent article in Red Flag by Kang Sheng, an alternate member of the Politburo, the highest party committee. According to the Nov. 20 Christian Science Monitor, Kang "quotes Mao Tsetung . . . as saying that senior party officials who have opposed economic policies are merely fellow travelers and not worthy members of the party."

In the middle of November. the Chinese government banned ward and the people's-commune all deliveries abroad (including movements in which hundreds to Hong Kong and Singapore) of of millions of working people all newspapers except the Peking People's Daily. This may mean that the internal party party." struggle is now reaching a climax.

A year ago, the party leaderpeople's communes created in communes adopted at last De-Central Committee stated that and among the people . .

ever, judging by the official re- cluding certain right-opportun-Thus, the communique issued at people's commune movement is the eighth central committee dreds of millions of Chinese points out that the principal peasants . . . danger now confronting the Instead the critics "babble brigades to be the basic prop-

By Flora Carpenter

other. Whether American of

When the Cuban revolution

swept the dictatorial Batista re-

gime off the island, Wall Street

at once sought new points of

Castro government itself. Hop-

ing that the revolutionary up-

looked to Pazos as one of those



which, according to objective conditions and given subjective efforts, can be accomplished . They slander as 'petty-bourgeois fanaticism' the great leap forunder the leadership of the Again, an editorial, "Long

Live the People's Communes,' in the Aug. 30 Peking People's ship had already indicated that Daily, says that " . . . what is it was divided over the rural worth noting at a time when the anniversary of the resolution on August 1958. A resolution on the he people's communes is being celebrated . . . is that there are cember's session of the party's some people apart from the reactionaries at home and abroad "The urgent tasks at present who are still dissatisfied with are to quickly achieve a unity and opposed to the people's comof views on the communes nunes. They are those within among all members of the Party he ranks of the Chinese people vho are influenced by bourgeois Unity was not achieved, how- deology to a serious degree in- from the computation of China's ports of a two-week central sts in the Communist party. committee session last August | They do not understand that the the end of the session stated: the product of a great revolu-"The eighth plenary session of tionary movement of the hun-

achievement of a continued leap that 'the people's commune lacks erty-owning units in the com-tile Workers Union, along with forward this year is the arising objective foundations. It is not munes. (The brigades had been two other officials and five of right opportunist ideas among an objective natural product the basic units in the producers' strikers, have been given jail some cadres. They do not try but the fruit of the wishful co-operatives before their merg- sentences ranging from two to their best to accomplish tasks thinking of a few who have er into the communes.) At the ten years at hard labor. The

too soon and too fast and have "sideline" production. gone wrong.' In a word, they dreds of millions of peasants."

Standing Committee of the Sec- year of the plan. ond National People's Congress. More than a third of this report to critics of the party's economic policies. According to Chou, the critics have attacked last year's mass campaign to make steel in backyard furnaces as "more loss, less gain." They oppose the communes and the community dining halls. And they charge that shortages throughout the country of certain basic foods were caused by "excessive ex-

Chou denies the accusations and asks the unnamed critics, "Are you not afraid of being have been vigorously engaged thrown over to the border-line of the bourgeois rightists?" But ne admits to losses in last year's fall harvests "in consequence of imperfect arrangement of labor ower." The fall of 1958 is when he mass campaign to manufacture iron and steel in small, primitive furnaces got under

ral Committee session introduced changes in all those as- branch. pects of economic policy that the critics are said to have challenged. The CP leaders decided to exclude iron and steel profuced by primitive methods nists and the NAACP. An un- in the hands of Southern haters ron and steel production. They drastically revised the 1959 agricultural targets downward after admitting that the 1958 totals on which they were originally based were "a bit high" -that is exaggerated by 50%. They declared the production

Despite these admissions and fail to see the superiority of corrections, however, the objec- have been hard hit by adverse the people's communes and the tive proclaimed in 1958 and un- weather conditions this year. LIKE ONE OF THE FAMILY ... ence between sitting in the back any race or nationality in our revolutionary zeal of the hun-derlying the "great leap for-Floods last summer in the Pearl ward" slogan was upheld. This River region in the south and a The most comprehensive re- is to fulfill by the end of this five-month drought from June view of the disputes over eco- year the most important agri- to November in many areas of nomic policy within the Com- cultural and industrial quotas Central China have seriously munist party was presented by originally scheduled under the reduced this year's harvest. Chou En-lai in his Aug. 26 re- second five-year plan to be atport on China's economy to the tained only by 1962, the fifth a severe strain to the forced-

"By fulfilling this year's readjusted national economic tee's Aug. 26 communique, "we will have fulfilled, overfulfilled targets originally set in the secment in 1962: steel, coal, timber, cutting machine tools, cotton justments."

blown it up.' They say, 'The same time peasants were en yarn, machine-made paper, salt, people's communes were set up couraged to develop individual grain and cotton." (Emphasis added.)

However, China's farmlands

Crop losses undoubtedly add march attempt to fulfill interrelated agricultural and industrial targets three years ahead is cast in the form of a rebuttal plan," says the Central Commit- of schedule. If, as is likely, inner-party conflicts over economic policies were not really or nearly fulfilled the following resolved last August but merely compromised, then the crop generating equipment, metal- tempt to make further "read-

Witch-Hunters in the South Stalk Unions and NAACP

By John Thayer.

A legislative investigatin its demands for the membership lists of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, has recommended contempt sentences for the Actually, last August's Cen- president of the Florida NAACP and two leaders of the Miami

In Mississippi, headlines were body after another.

In North Carolina the Regional Director of the AFL-CIO Texcharge in this crude frame-up was conspiracy to dynamite the struck Henderson-Harriet Mill's

None of the allegedly planned dynamitings took place. The whole frame-up rested upon the testimony of a "secret agent" of

Entrapment?

informer played the role of policies during the crucial 18 by Major Ernesto "Che" Gue- agent provocateur — all the months or more of provisional vera, a bearded hero of the 26th while drawing "expenses" from the SBI. The stench of frame-up Castro keeps them in power nothing about banking. Here is is so pervading that the by no hrough his prestige and military how the Wall Street Journal means pro-labor News and Observer of Raleigh was moved to remark: "The function of the "One trusted Castro lieutenant SBI is to obtain evidence, not way. Urrutia, who was Castro's | 's the colorful Argentine revolu- | to manufacture evidence . . . If nominal head of government tionary, Ernesto 'Che' Guevara, the role of the SBI and its 'unsupport, hunting for them in the went down, designated as an who many have called a Com- dercover man' did not constitute enemy of the revolution. Pazos munist and who is now installed entrapment, it certainly came were Mrs. Helen Sobell and Roy viction was based on the lone has not been named an enemy: as commander of El Cabana, dangerously close to it." The confessed to "some nagging sistant to the late Senator Joseph "Interviewed at the Presiden- doubts now that the verdict has

The above items about the repressive "investigations" of the NAACP and the frame-up of unionists are connected; and if FBI. All the unconstitutional

Quota

265

4.400

1.000

SCOREBOARD

\$ 350

2:577

2,402

36

10

100

100

75

63

61

58

57

52

50

32

24

By this shift in the spectrum methods "legitimized" during of personalities, the Cuban revo- the witch-hunt are now being lution has indicated that it is used by the anti-Negro, antistill on the upsurge. You can labor politicians of the South in also tell it from the fluttering in an effort to smash anti-Jim Crow organizations and unions.

FUND

Branch

Pittsburgh

San Diego

St. Louis

Twin Cities ...

Connecticut .

New York

Philadelphia

Bay Area

Allentown ...

Total through Dec. 1 \$16,000

General ...

Chicago

Denver

Los Angeles

Detroit

Newark

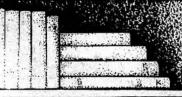
Boston

The dirty methods used to harass, persecute and jail "reds" ing committee in Florida, balked Negroes and unionists in the been established in legal precedent and public acceptance to this point is in no small measure due to the short-sightedness, opportunism and cowardice of the labor and Negro leaders.

If these methods had been fought tooth and nail when first made by the testimony of a introduced on the national arena, traveling circus of paid inform- they could have been defeated ers and "experts" on Commu- and would not now be weapons savory crew of professional wit- of Negroes and organized, labor. nesses, headed by J. B. Matthews But, abandoning the principle of Un-American Committee in- that civil liberties are indivisfamy, is touring the Southern ible, the bureaucrats of the circuit, performing before one unions and Negro organizations white-supremacist legislative kept their mouths shut, pulled their punches or joined the wolf pack in the witch-hunt.

This was justified on various

the fight against the witch-hunt, near future." frame-up methods being used union movement in the South, would make up a majority of those of informers in the stables a simultaneous redoubling of ef- bine their efforts on a militant of the FBI and the late Senator forts to abolish the House Un- basis. Working together, they FBI and wipe out all vestiges cowardly bureaucrats is fast



"In the Minds and Hearts of Many Negro Women"

necessary.

Pioneer Publishers, 116 Uni- white. versity Place, New York 3, N. Y.]

Langston Hughes says of this book: "Alice Childress has hit upon a delightful way of presenting through the mouth of a single character what is in the minds and hearts of many Negro women working in American homes as domestics. 'Like One ond five-year plan for fulfill- losses would serve again to re- of the Family' is both amusing new the disputes and with it and thought-provoking, easy to metallurgical equipment, power- fierce condemnation of any at- read, warmly human, and of documentary import."

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(Continued from Page 1) In the Twin Cities it hasn't to agree. After all when you been easy sledding either. But there, too, determined effort is away, those are dramatic words adding up. Director Bob W. sent a regular weekly check along with word that the sent along the s with word that their rummage Allentown. sale had just begun that evening and should mean some ex- so let me tell an old joke to make tra dollars in the Twin Cities it easier. A man who dined on column. Bob also reports that credit at a neighborhood resour national fund-raising champ- taurant got behind in his payion, V. R. Dunne, is still going ments. The proprietor wrote his strong, with \$25 this week to name and the amount due in be credited to friends of the great big letters on the wall movement. According to my near the coat hangers. The man arithmetic that brings the total objected that this was embar-

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Public or Private Matter?

The American people are getting a fresh reminder of the power of the Catholic hierarchy in the political life of this country. In the current controversy around the issue of birth control, the leaders of both major parties have demonstrated that they either support or refuse to oppose reactionary papal social dogma.

The debate opened when the New York Times put some direct questions to Senator John Kennedy, a Catholic contender for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Last summer a presidential study committee recommended that the government make birth-control information available to countries that requested it. Then on Nov. 25 the bishops of the Cath-. olic Church declared that no Catholic could support the use of public funds for the dissemination of birth-control information at home or abroad.

Following this, Protestant Bishop James A. Pike asked if the declaration was binding on Catholic candidates for public office. The Times took it from there in its questions to Kennedy. In a crude effort to duck the question of whether he would oppose granting such information if it were requested, Kennedy declared that he opposed "advocating" birth control for other countries.

The other presidential aspirants quickly fell in line. Nixon and Lyndon Johnson refused to comment. New York's Mayor Wagner, a Catholic with an eye on the Democratic vice-presidential nomination, agreed four-square with Kennedy's evasion of the issue. California's Governor Brown, another possible Catholic presidential nominee, also was against "imposing" birth control on other countries.

Adlai Stevenson, Hubert Humphrey and Stewart Symington issued carefully worded statements in favor of sending birth-control information abroad if and when requested. None of them dared to speak out against the Catholic hierarchy's declaration of war against the use of public funds for the dissemination of birth-control information in any country - including the United States of America.

But the climax came when President Eisenhower declared Dec. 2 that he would not argue with the Catholic Church about its opposition to birth control but he would argue against the government making birth-control information available to

Eisenhower's support of the Catholic policy declaration is in line with the longstanding fake argument that birth control is a private matter in which the government should remain "neutral." The matter doesn't happen to be private because many areas have made it illegal for even doctors to give birth-control information. Other areas place legal restrictions on sale of the devices.

Birth-control information and service is part of public health and welfare. It should be taken for granted. People whose religious beliefs bar them from reading about or using birth-control devices need not, as a private matter, avail themselves of such a social service. But it should not be denied the rest of the people because the Catholic hierarchy considers it a public matter to prevent them.

Those Demanding Panamanians

People in other countries can always rely on the United States government for a fair shake, even if their demands are unreasonable. This was proved once again when President Eisenhower declared unequivocally at a Dec. 2 press conference that there should be "some visual evidence" that the people of Panama have a minor legal claim to their own country.

The President took his stand as a result of a Panamanian Independence Day celebration Nov. 28 when more than 1,000 people of that country tried to fight their way through bayonet-armed U.S. troops to plant the flag of Panama in the Canal Zone where only the U.S. flag is permitted even though it is Panamanian territory.

Driven out of the area, the demonstrators stoned U.S. property and business places in Panama City. "Uncle Sam" was burned in effigy. It was the second such demonstration in a month. Major cause of

the flare-up is the feeling among Panamanians that the treaty under which the Labor party groups. About 500 U.S. occupies the Canal Zone is highly discriminatory. Among other things they held a year ago. discriminatory. Among other things they resent the fact that Panamanian workers building British left-wing forces in the Zone average about \$150 a month on the basis of a class-struggle in wages while U.S. citizens draw about socialist program, the confer-\$500. They also charge they are deprived ence was sponsored by the Soof the opportunity of holding skilled jobs. cialist Labor League. The Lea-

the backing of the State Department which sharp attack from the rightstrongly favors permitting the Panaman- wing leaders of the Labor party ian flag to be flown on holidays. But this and from the capitalist press for is being resisted by the Defense Department which points out that with such a concession the Panamanians will want to fly their flag all the time.

The State Department has also leaked in by unionists and information that it is seriously considering other delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of various shad-pointed out that the employers of the delegates of the dele reserving 20 places for Panamanians in ings of socialist opinion, the hoped to use such propaganda apprentice training courses for skilled jobs. What more can those people ask for?

End of the "American Socialist"

The editors of the American Socialist, an independent monthly magazine, announced in their December issue that they are ceasing publication. Their reasons are financial difficulties and pessimism over immediate political prospects for the socialist movement in the United States.

The periodical was founded six years ago by a group that left the Socialist Workers party. They hoped to blaze a way out of the isolation from which the socialist movement has long suffered. By carefully eschewing "sectarianism," they sought to gain a wide audience fairly rapidly. But the venture proved impractical. Insofar as it was socialist, the magazine encountered the difficulties that every socialist undertaking confronts nowadays. Because. they lumped together "dogma" and valid Marxist concepts, they proved unable to develop the cohesive body of theory and program needed to stand up against the adverse circumstances of the times. Moreover, the editors deliberately cut off all connection with their Trotskyist past, which did not help them as interest revived in Trotsky's views.

In a future issue we hope to discuss the experience of the American Socialist at greater length. For the time being we wish to comment only on a prediction in the final statement of the editors with which many radicals, we think, would like to agree. This is that America is due for a new upsurge of radicalism in the 1960's.

The prognosis is realistically founded, in our opinion. It seems all the more illogical for a socialist magazine to cease publication on the eve of such an impending development. Their explanation is in part: "Of course, the Left is now too shrunken to permit any continuity between the movements of the thirties and any manifestations in the sixties."

The implications of this statement are (1) that socialists have no genuine role to perform now; (2) that the workers and youth coming to socialism in the period ahead can dispense with past socialist experience, tradition and program.

Does history bear this out? Not at all! Every great movement — and not just socialism — has undergone a time of gestation; a period when sometimes only a stockpiles of atomic weapons. handful kept alive the ideas that were The strengthening of the fight absolutely essential to subsequent success. Today in America, we are profoundly convinced, it depends on what some hundreds or few thousands do to assure that hun-extension of nationalization, a dreds of thousands and millions take up socialism later.

When the new upsurge begins in the 1960's where will the first wave find the program they need? Who will have told trade unions." them about socialism in the first place? We think that history will repeat itself. The first new draft of socialists will inevitably join an existing socialist party. leaders, who have gained prom-At that point the quality of the party—not its initial size—will prove to be decisive. "Quality" in a party consists of its program and the living heritage of experience embodied in its "veterans."

The international socialist movement since its origin has never suffered a break in continuity. That is a historic fact. True, of greetings by G. D. Williams, bound up with the struggle for great mass upsurges have been separated by decades in which the Marxist heritage has been maintained by only a Spartan band. But the "shrunken" size did not eliminate the historic necessity for the qualitative continuation. Take the radicalization of the thirties which the editors of the American Socialist recall nostalgically. The radical ideas that then swept the country can be traced directly to the groups that nurtured them in the preced- fear the public is losing faith in original." ing difficult years of money-grubbing and them and that there may even witch-hunting in the twenties.

In short, we believe that every social- to bring some form of governist today has a vital function to perform— ment regulation of the \$10-bilnamely, to advocate socialism. To do this most effectively requires organization, and the best form of organization is a revolu- Journal finds gloom widespread. tionary-socialist party. We hope that par- "It's another push toward stattisans of the American Socialist will take ism," warns S. S. Larmon, presithis occasion to thoughtfully consider what dent of the giant Young & the Socialist Workers party really has to Rubicam agency. offer in the way of perspective for the York agency specializes in "off- to think all advertising is dis- use of Russian troops by Czar

Presents Class-Struggle Program



At National Assembly of Labor in London, Gerry Healy, national secretary of the Socialist Labor League, presents five-point program for achieving unity in action of British left-wing unionists. Seated left is Brian Pearce, co-editor of Labor Review, bi-monthly Marxist journal. At the right is Brian Behan, chairman of the Socialist Labor League and well-known militant unionist. Banner calls for "Unity in Action" and refers to Newsletter, weekly paper of the Socialist Labor League.

Left Wing Unionists in Britain **Hold National Labor Assembly**

The development of a militant London Nov. 15.

More than 700 delegates, observers and visitors attended factory groups, building-trades League. workers, dockers, coal miners, railroad workers, peace organizations, Labor youth sections, co-operative groups, colonial or-

Dedicated to uniting and gue is a revolutionary Marxist The President's peace offering has grouping that has come under its support to workers struggles.

Five-Point Program

conference unanimously endorsed a five-point resolution intro- legislation. duced by the National Committee of the Socialist Labor League along with amendments offered by two trade-union groups.

The resolution called for: "An end to the manufacture and testing of the H-bomb as well asthe destruction of all existing for the 40-hour week, higher wages, defense of jobs and defense of shop stewards, against rent increases. A fight for the fight against oppression in the colonies and against racialism in Britain. A fight against the bans and proscriptions inside the entire Labor movement and the

The Nov. 21 issue of the Newsletter, weekly paper of the Socialist Labor League reports that many rank-and-file union inence by their role in recent strike struggles, participated in the conference "and their presence was a powerful demonstration of confidence in the Socialst Labor League.

The significance of the gathering was expressed in a speech Federation of Labor.

"I have listened very carefully | colonial people. Each time they left wing in the British trade- to the speakers," he said, "and weaken imperialism so they today."

> The delegates and visitors were welcomed by Brian Behan,

Discussing the program of action being offered to the conference, Behan said, "We mean to solve the crisis of capitalism ganizations and Communist and at the expense of the capitalists by their removal and the estab-

"This weekend we will be deciding on a different program, a different method of struggle from past political organizations in Britain," he said. "We will discuss how best we can unite the working class in struggle. When we say that, we also say that we reject the reformist methods of solving the problems in society.'

The League's resolution was moved by Gerry Healy, its national secretary. Replying to press charges that the Socialist De Gaulle Regime Labor League was responsible After an all-day discussion for "fomenting" recent unofto set the stage for anti-strike

Real Cause of Strikes

The real cause of the strikes, he observed are the capitalists. who refuse to part with even a small amount of their vast prof- meager wage increases accordits to meet the needs of the workers. He also sharply scored Mail, phone and travel service right-wing union leaders who was cut sharply, air traffic vircondemned the unofficial strikes but refused to do anything about erations halted completely. The the problem of unemployment. Each of the points in the pro-

gram of action proposed by the in the walkout. League, Healy said, already has the support of a considerable Dominican Dictator number of workers throughout Britain. Discussing the proposal 'Sentences' Castro for scrapping atomic weapons he said, "The struggle for peace To 30-Year Term is all important. We believe that the road to peace is the fight on the class front for socialism . . We are opposed to class collaboration on the question of peace. We therefore believe that a socialist Britain should stop the manufacture of the H-bomb as part of the international struggle against imperialism as a whole."

Commenting on the recent racist mob attacks on Negroes in London, Healy said, "The struggle against racialism is vice-president of the Ceylon colonial independence. We must march hand in hand with the

union and Labor party move-ment was given new impetus gathering of militant British we permit any kind of wedge why the politicians on the FCC sion [FCC] have had their room, with a highly successful Na- workers. I am convinced you to be driven between ourselves tional Assembly of Labor held in have taken a great step forward and the colonial people we will not get socialism in Britain." The delegates voted to con- lines.

vene again in 12 months and to the conference. There were 283 well-known British unionist and follow up the National Assem- goods on the caretaker's daugh- have claimed and received per elected delegates representing National Chairman of the bly of Labor with similar ones Assembly of Labor has been announced for March 6.

The conference, which was attacked by right-wing union and Labor party leaders, and officials of the Communist party, received extensive publicity in the daily press and over tele-

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The American Way of Life

"Quis Custodiet Ipsos Custodes?"

"Quis custodiet ipsos custodes?" asked the Roman poet. This was translated by the irreverent Gay Nineties into the suggestive refrain, "Who takes care of the caretaker's daughter when the caretaker's

off taking care?" restigate and crack down on the the rug. proadcasting of false and miseading statements, to prevent gation" was, it dealt hard blows rauds and deceits, to make to the reputation of the FCC, rules and revoke broadcasting which ever since has been trem-

or watch dog take care or watch. Doerfer, who owes his post to While the TV scandal festered the late Senator McCarthy, was in the newspapers for almost a revealed, for example, to have year, the FCC kept very busy had a tour cross-country for taking care not to look. Finally himself and his wife paid for by an almost, but not quite, equally various stations and TV broadreluctant dragon, the House casters' associations and then to Committe on Legislative Over- have drawn travel and expense ight, called hearings, issued money for the same from the subpoenas and lifted the curtain U.S. Treasury. Of course, that's n the backstage preparation of chicken feed, but Doerfer unne TV quiz shows.

neaded one, didn't Kefauver cret."

ter, if we may so personify the diem from the government for in their local areas. A London TV industry. But — and here's living expenses incurred by the rub — it would reveal once them in attending the same more and perhaps in greater conventions." detail, how the caretaker was also being taken care of.

FCC itself was subjected to an porations who appear as litiinvestigation. This was an investigation forced on the House Committee on Legislative Oversight by a most deplorable oversight. Namely, a too zealous in- greedy and heartless corporavestigator, a New York profes- tions when they have in their sor named Bernard Schwartz. own personal experience aldollars, according to the Inter- He was got rid of as quickly as ways found them so friendly possible by the bi-partisan and generous.

Washington politicians, but not That intriguing question before he had exposed bribery comes to mind after reading the and corruption in the handing stories about the rigged TV quiz out of TV franchises. After his how. The Federal Communica- unceremonious removal the tions Commission was long Committee had to go through snown as the public custodian, the motions of investigating uardian, watch dog or what some of what Schwartz had alave you of the air waves. It is ready revealed. Then the dirt empowered by Congress to in- was quickly swept back under But limited as that "investi-

ulous with fear of further' ex-Not only didn't this caretaker posure. FCC Chairman John doubtedly would have been How explain the FCC's bash- quite self-conscious about quizulness? Aren't "probes" politic- zing Charles Van Doren. The al bonanzas? Didn't Truman get audience might have suggested he Vice-Presidency because he that they play "I've Got a Se-

pecome a national contender A neglected memorandum by similarly? And as for the Mc- Schwartz, to the annoyed in-Carthy era . . . A recent column vestigating committee said in exercised such self-restraint board and other expenses (e.g. when offered a chance to inves- cafe, valet, golf fees, etc.) paid tigate a scandal so rich in head- by the industry while attending industry conventions. At the Such a probe would get the same time, these commissioners

"Members of the commission engage in constant fraterniza-Just a couple of years ago the tion with individuals and corgants before the commission."

These innocent, guileless FCC commissioners just cannot understand why people talk about

Headlines in Other Lands

For the first time since he came to power, General de Gaulle has faced the power of French labor. On Nov. 2, workers in public services and government offices staged a one day strike in protest against ed them in the 1960 budget. tually paralyzed and other opthree major Communist, Socialist and Catholic unions joined

Generalissimo Trujillo, frightened dictator of the Dominican Republic, is still trying to convince the world that the threat to his rule comes from outside 'plotters," not the Dominican

So a Dominican court has sentenced Cuban Premier Fidel Castro and Venezuelan President Romulo Betancourt to 30 years at hard labor for an "at tempted invasion" of the island last June. Also convicted in absentia was Fidel Castro's brother, Raul. They headed a list of 113 persons accused of participating in the "plan" to overthrow Trujillo. The court also fined the list \$100,000,000.

Khrushchev Says Kremlin Split on Hungarian Revolt

Addressing the Congress of the Hungarian Communist party, Commission recently got around Dec. 2, Soviet Premier Khrush chev confirmed that some Kremer original claim that Colgate's lin leaders had opposed his detoothpaste guards your teeth cision to send troops to crush the 1956 Hungarian uprising. He said the opposition had feared the effect on world opinion.

Khrushchev also offered new arguments to justify crushing the Hungarian struggle for national independence and social-William Bernbach, whose New ier: "I'm afraid people are going ist democracy. He recalled the

ish-American intervention in the dicated that if the Italian govpost-World War II Greek civil ernment went along with the

boss Kadar informed the congress that Soviet troops would continue to occupy the country.

Ulbricht Becomes A Medical Man

Everything happens for the party leader Walter Ulbricht in- founding convention of the new formed the people that in other party in Montreal next April. countries "more and more doctors are saying that excessive been voted by the labor federause of butter" leads to harden- tions of Ontario, British Columing of the arteries. "For the bia, Manitoba, Alberta and Nova past year," he said, "this has Scotia. On Nov. 1, some 800 repbeen an acute problem for us resentatives of Ontario local too." He didn't say whose ar- union Political Action Comteries were being hardened in East Germany.

The Politicians Talk But Krupp Is Still **Turning Out Profits**

The West German government protested Nov. 27 that no decision had been made to permit Alfred Krupp to keep his steel and coal empire. A convicted war criminal who helped Hitler to power and enslaved hundreds of thousands in his factories during the war, Krupp was ordered by the Allied powers to divest himself of his steel and coal interests in 1953. The deadline passed 11 months ago with the empire of the "cannon king" still intact and the powers are still discussing what to do about

Italian CP in Thaw Toward Eisenhower

Palmiro Togliatti, leader of

revolution of 1848 and the Brit- | ternational tensions. He also incold-war thaw, the CP would be Hungarian Communist party ready to support it in parliament on various issues.

Canadian Unions **Getting Behind New Labor Party**

The formation of a Canadian best in the best of all bureau- Labor party was given a major cratic worlds. The East German boost when it received the solid people have been suffering from backing of the key Ontario Fedbutter shortage so severe that eration of Labor. The Canadian guards stationed at the West Labor Congress (equivalent of German border are checking the AFL-CIO) and the Co-opthat no one takes any butter out erative Commonwealth Federaof the Soviet zone. So on Nov. tion, a third party movement, 28, East German Communist have jointly made plans for a

Support for the new party has mittees unanimously endorsed formation of the new party and recommended that a drive be launched to win local union support for the movement.

A few days later, this resolution was endorsed by the overwhelming majority of delegates to the Ontario Federation of Labor. The only opposition votes came from supporters of Communist party policy. The CP is against formation of the new class party, advocating instead that labor seek a "coalition" with liberal elements in the capitalist

The United Electrical Workers and the Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers have reflected this policy by refusing to endorse the new party. Both unions were expelled from the labor federation at the beginning of the cold war and are using the official policy of the CLC leadership of excluding them from the new party as a pretext for non-sup-

Workers Vanguard, Canadian Socialist newspaper, has vigorthe Italian Communist party, ously protested exclusion of any and always a faithful supporter section of labor from the new of whatever line is current at party and at the same time the Kremlin, told a recent press pointed out that the best way conference that his party would the unions involved can overwelcome a visit by President come the ban is by giving full Eisenhower to Italy and that he support to this highly progresfelt that Eisenhower had con- sive political step of establishing

Madison Avenue Is Losing Its Faith in Human Nature

The men in the gray flannel | tistic viewpoint. Government be enough public indignation stemming from the TV scandals lion advertising industry.

A "depth" study of the situation in the Nov. 25 Wall Street

suits are taking black mourning regulation, he argues, "will olives in their martinis. They hamstring all our efforts to be (Example: The Federal Trade

to speaking up against the rathwith "an invisible shield.")

Such steps certainly confirm Mr. Bernbach's contention that the artist who isn't free can't make "a fresh impact on the public mind."

His conclusion is even gloombeat" advertising, takes the ar- honest — at least for a while." Nicholas against the Hungarian tributed to the relaxation of in- labor's own party.

cial Democrats"] was an eye-I had read New York ADA News which carried an appeal for contributing "reporters." I almost answered that appeal with a postcard, but didn't. After I read your editorial, I knew WHY I didn't: socialists belong in a group or party that advocates socialism, or they cease to be socialists.

I did respond to Dr. Rubinstein's letter in the Guardian because I deeply felt that the answer to her query from the Talmud ("If not you, who? And if not now, when?") was "us and now."

tion recently passed, putting

(supplementing the Pure Food & Drug Act). I had tried to write that article but my fingers became too paralyzed to type because of the immorality of it. I face, format, I guess you would guess when you're a real social- call it - if I were financially ist you're one all the time - no capable. And I would definitely matter how social conditions, stop using the words "comrade" the forces of reaction, and the and "socialism." The brainwash-

of Guardian and Militant readers reply to Dr. Rubinstein (59 West 71st St., New York 23), because socialism in America cannot be delayed. In my neighborhood (4th AD) Puerto/Rican mothers and fathers awake in the morning (by alarm clock if one is lucky enough to have a job) to find their baby dead in Editor: its crib: chewed to death by rats. If I have to develop an ulcer, I'd rather get it trying to day life would be like under sobuild a socialist party, than by watching "proletarians" die of lot of other "independents" and "socialists" have been guilty of).

Cynthia Speare New York City

If I were publishing your paper I think I would change its ing against such things as socialism and communism is so intense that people are afraid of them just as they were brainwashed into being afraid of the word "witch."

Santa Rosa, Calif.

Suggests Stories On Socialist Future

I would like to see some articles written about what everycialism. In our everyday struggle under capitalism it's easy to get privation, ignorance, exploita- lost in your troubles. A short tion, inhumanity, and indiffer- weekly story describing socialence (the last of which I and a ism might be inspiring to some readers - not to mention edu-

Akron, Ohio

. Negro Labor

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(Continued from Page 1) vention had "accentuated the need" for an organization of the type being formed, this was not he cause of it; and he emphasized that the new group is "pro-AFL-CIO."

"People will probably say that we are seeking to establish a segregated trade-union organization of Negro workers," Randolph warned, "That is not true. Our new organization will not engage in any form of collective bargaining. We simply believe that it has become necessary to form a special organization to concentrate on segregation and discrimination in the trade-union organizations."

Randolph further emphasized: "We are not and do not attempt to move in areas of operation of the NAACP, the National Urban League, the American Civil Liberties Union and other organizations of a similar nature that are doing such splendid work. We are primarily concerned with the status of the Negro within the ranks of organized la-

The conference estimated that over 2,500 delegates and visitors will attend the founding convention in April. It will dedicate itself to the task of eliminating racial segregation and discrimination within the labor movement at local, regional and international levels.

A LOT OF BOMBS

United States production of uranium ore jumped from 54,000 tons in 1948 to more than six perialists. This is a free counmillion tons this year.

Nkomo Asks for Aid Against British Rule

By Constance F. Weissman

The International Committee for the Defense of Africa held a money-raising banquet in New York on November 28 to help the people in Central Africa in their fight against union with Southern Rhodesia. The speaker, Joshua Nkomo of Southern Rhodesia, said a sound truck was needed to alert villages to the dangers inherent in the scheme of British imperialism to keep them in subjugation by means

of this union. Although Mr. Nkomo apologized for his English, which is not his native tongue, he need not have. He spoke with eloquence and gave an excellent analysis of what is going on in every section of Africa today. In order to give the audience some background on African events, he told, among other things, how in every country in Africa where there have been reports of barbarousness, the bloodshed has been due to the imperialists, be they British, Belgian or French. He pointed out that but for money from the United States, the French would be unable to wage war in Algeria.

He explained that in his land, the Africans had no representation in government whatsoever. He said that the Africans look to the Negroes

in the U.S. for help. "You have the vote," he said. "You can influence your Congress not to support im-

Here the audience of Negro Americans with one accord laughed bitterly.

THE MILITANT

Mr. Nkomo amended his statement. "Perhaps you are not entirely free, but I am not here to criticize your country." He told of the atrocities

committed in the name of guardianship by the imperialists. He said that all of Africa was drawn together in brotherhood, and that the Arabs. to, are brothers of theirs. Although the imperialists, in their effort to divide and rule, point out that the Arabs sold the Africans into slavery, Mr. Nkomo asked: "But wasn't it you, the imperialists, who bought the slaves? It seems to us that first we should have nothing to do with you. We know that you made the Arabs sell us to work in the diamond mines and the cop-

When asked in the question period what Americans could do to help, he cited Israel. "Look what the people of America have done to establish a homeland for the Jews in Israel. We are only asking that these people who moved into our land kindly leave. They have been there long enough. We want our own country back."

Conrad Lynn, the civil rights attorney, was enthusiastically applauded when he said, "We, the American Negroes, look to you in Africa to help set us free here.'

. Steel Barons

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AFL-CIO president George

Meany that Eisenhower call a

summit conference of top labor

and industry leaders to estab-

lish "harmonious relations,"

try spokesman Charles R. Sligh

Jr., executive vice-president of

the National Association of

We've gone all through that

before, commented Sligh Jr., and

'we couldn't agree on anything."

However, he added, if President

Eisenhower suggests such a

ably go along with it." Such dis-

cussions, he observed, "have

never worked before" and he in-

secret ballots, regulate union

feather-bedding practices."

cording to the rules laid down

that the power of government

The anti-labor conspiracy is

proceeding according to plan.

The object is to create the at-

mosphere of crisis in which Con-

gress and the administration can

The ranks are ready and will-

ing to fight in defense of their

unions but are immobilized by

the false policy and program of

an inept leadership floundering

What is the solution? A good

tide of reaction can be made by

tive, resourcefulness, intelli-

gence and innate militancy of

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Manufacturers.

Slum Dwellers Haven't Frozen For 100 Years'

NEW YORK - More than a quarter of a million slum dwellers in this city who had been heartened by the expectation that their landlords would be required to

provide some heat this winter+ can forget about it. Democratic Mayor Wagner's Tammany Hall Integrationists administration has moved to virlwellings to install central heat-

"They haven't frozen for the last 100 years," commented an unidentified spokesman of the City Planning Commission when he was asked if this wouldn't be hard on the tenants of the buildings involved.

That statement, expressing the real attitude of the Democratic party chiefs toward renters, should get quite a laugh out of from the cold, filthy and unsafe tenements where the average New Yorker has to live.

The present law requires that families must have central heatthis year. But Mayor Wagner revealed

ast week that he has sent a bill with Communists. to the state legislature to exempt from the central heating requirement all buildings in an area "scheduled" to be acquired for housing developments or King of Montgomery, Ala.; Rev. other public and quasi-public C. E. Tucker, Louisville, presidprojects. This would include ing bishop of the A.M.E. Zion building on land "approved or Church; Dr. James A. Dombrowpending or under study" for any ski, New Orleans, executive disuch project.

After such areas go through the leisurely stages of "study," "planning" and "pending," i still takes sometimes as long as ten years before the buildings are actually torn down.

Although Wagner's bill has not yet even been considered by the legislature, exemptions are already being granted to land-

meeting, the NAM "will prob- lords. "We know this bill will pass," explained Deputy Building Commissioner Harold Birns. He did not explain how he knew. He majority in Albany, like the ers party and former Teamster The problem would be solved, according to Sligh, if labor leaders would agree "to do away has earned a reputation for put- Dec. 12. 8 p.m.: Fine Arts B with union monopolistic prac- ting the interests of the people

Exemptions are being issued lative program. The Nov. 14 is- for one year. This may not seem sue of Labor reports that the like a long period of grace for NAM has sent a circular appeal a rent-hungry slumlord; but to business executives soliciting Wagner seems to have thought

The exemptions are renewable like licenses, for another year. "We now must strive to re- Birns said that "less than a duce or equalize the excessive dozen" have been granted. But power in the leadership of some requests for exemptions from the unions, to place unions under law are pouring in by the hunthe anti-trust laws, provide for dreds from the rent gougers.

The same city official who depolitical activities, curb com- clined to give his name when pulsory unionism (the union he made the cynical wisecrack shop), and eliminate wasteful that the tenants haven't frozen in the past 100 years explained What utter contempt the rep- that the new law was necessary resentatives and spokesmen of because "it would be economthe capitalist class have for the ically wasteful to put improveleaders of labor! So long as the ments" into buildings that might

union heads play the game ac- some day be torn down. Owners of some of the worst by the bosses the outcome is as- slums in the city, housing more sured - more staggering blows than 50,000 people, are in line unions. Firm in their control of of exemption due to the fact that ning" stage in areas where they back serene in the knowledge shake down rents.

TIME PAYMENTS UP

The tab is now \$38 billion.

tually scrap a recent law requiring owners of multiple Score Southern 'Red Hunters'

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. - The board of directors of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, meeting here Nov. 21-22, charged Southern state legislative investigation committees with seeking to destroy pro-integration organizations and hound people under pretext of the real-estate sharks who profit fighting "subversion." The board called for public pressure to abolish these committees.

The action was in response to testimony Nov. 18 and 19 bebuildings housing more than ten fore a Mississippi investigating committee by J. B. Matthews of ing installed by Nov. 1, 1958. New York, a self-styled Com-Buildings of three to ten units munist hunter who testified that must have heating by Nov. 1 of several integration organizations, including the NAACP and the SCEF, are heavily infiltrated

Matthews also listed many leaders in integration work as members of Communist fronts - including Dr. Martin Luther rector of the SCEF; and Carl and Anne Braden, field secretaries for SCEF.

Calendar Of Events

CHICAGO

Hear Farrell Dobbs, National Secretary of the Socialist Work-Hall No. 812; 410 So. Michigan Blvd. Donation 90 cents. Auspices: Militant Labor Forum.

NEW YORK

Be sure to hold open Sat., Dec. 12. You won't want to miss the Christmas Bazaar. There will be gifts for everyone at low, low prices — toys, men's and women's clothing, perfumes, jewelry, housewares, paintings, prints, and much more . . . In the special book section you'll find lassics, popular books and some rare items. Doors open at 1 P.M., Sat., Dec. 12, at 116 University Place. Auspices: N.Y. School of Social Science.

> "Send-Off" Reception For Bill Price

Join UI-SC friends and others wishing Bill well in his new job with the Committee for First Amendment Defendants. Lloyd Gough and his concertina, refreshments, gourmet buffet served at 5:30 p.m., Sunday 4-7 p.m., Dec. 13, at The Weissmans, 325 East 17 St. \$2.50 at the door.

PHILADELPHIA

Hear Helen Sobell on latest developments in appeal for Christmas Amnesty for Morton Sobell. Dramatic readings by Bill Robinson, actor, narrator, Installment buying increased singer. At Sara and Harry Epa half billion dollars in October. stein's, 5745 N. Fairhill St., Thurs., Dec. 10, 8:30 p.m.

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One All the Time Your editorial in the Nov. 23 Militant ["Logical End for So-

opener. Just before reading it, desire to pay your rent, compromise you. I hope a substantial number

That issue of the Militant also carried a short on Page 1 headed "Human Guinea Pigs." I was fired from my last job (copywriter for a business magazine) for refusing to write a feature condemning the federal legisla-

The Darwin Centennial

On Nov. 24, the entire world commemorated the one-hundredth anniversary of the publication of an epoch-making work of science -Charles Darwin's "Origin of Species."

In this book, Darwin proved that the plants and animals on earth today were not created; they evolved. Human kind, too, evolved from a lower species. These discoveries founded the science of biology.

It was the social application of Darwin's laws of evolution, however, that formed the principal subject of discussion at the centenary observances at the University of Chicago. The main speaker was Sir Julian Huxley, grandson of Thomas Huxley, the eminent biologist who defended Darwin's theories against the attacks inspired by organized religion.

Man needs a new pattern of thinking, said Julian Huxley, if he is to cope successfully with the threat of nuclear destruction in a third world war. Man's thinking has evolved from tribal beliefs in magic to the rise during the last 300 years of a "science-centered pattern organized round the concept of human progress, but progress somehow under the control of supernatural authority." Huxley predicted the evolution of a new pattern of ideas in which the concept of evolution would be the "central

germ.' "In the evolutionary pattern of thought there is no longer need or room for the supernatural," said Huxley. "Evolutionary man can no longer . . . absolve himself from the hard task of . . . planning his future by relying on

the will of . . . providence." Actually, a science of society based on evolution has already been developed. Tens of millions of people in our epoch have become convinced of the correctness of this science and of the validity of the program of action derived from its laws. The science was developed by Karl Marx and Frederick Engels at about time that Darwin theories of natural evolution. In fact, the laws of Marx and Engels' science received accurate and succinct formulation in 1859 - the same

year that Darwin published his "Origin of

Species" - in Karl Marx's book "Critique of

Political Economy.' Where Huxley looks to the evolution of ideas as providing the clue to history, Marx showed that the economic structure of society is "the real foundation, on which rise legal and political superstructures and to which correspond definite forms of social consciousness.' Underlying the development of economic structures is the continuous development of man's productive forces. But the evolution is not smooth. At a certain stage, the given economic system - and the laws, government structures, religions, connected with the system - prevent the further growth of the productive forces. Society reaches a crisis that is resolved only

through social revolution. Marx lived in the heyday of capitalism. But he foresaw that the profit system would become a fetter on progress, just as did the feudal and slave systems before they were overthrown. A social revolution by the working class will be required to establish a higher form of society - the planned economy of

Marx predicted that capitalism will be the "closing chapter of the prehistoric stage of human society." With the advent of socialism, is involved in a major strike, is director for the Utah Copper Diman will be able at last to direct his own

Mankind is thus at what is probably the most crucial turning point in all history. On the one hand an unbounded future in a rational and harmonious society beckons. On the other hand, the still unresolved social crisis poses a to file false "non-communist" to be the company's principal gigantic threat to humanity.

Darwin's proof that man is a product of was adopted, the union, like evolution has ripped to shreds the supernatur- many others, instructed its of- dicted broke with the other dealism through which the ruling classes still ficers not to sign the oath. In fendants at the beginning of the dicated there was no reason to seek to keep the majority of mankind in a state 1949 it followed the example of trial, pleaded no contest, and believe they would work now. of helplessness. Marx's laws of social evolution the United Steelworkers in re- asked to have their trial separshow how mankind will overcome this obstacle versing this policy so as not to ated. riously shape its own destiny. The ideas of these two giants, set forth in the two books they published 100 years ago, will charges that those indicted had Alton Lawrence, former southprove invaluable in helping humanity to resolve the contemporary social crisis.

Notes in the News

TIP TO UNION NEGOTIATORS - When your contract comes up for renewal it might be worth remembering one of the "Grin And Bear It" cartoons by Lichty. A group of worker's at lunch are discussing contract demands. One says: "I think our wage demands oughta be simple! . . . A wage increase based on the price increase they'll get to cover the cost of our wage increase!"

CHILDREN UNDERESTIMATED - Experiments being conducted by two Yale sociologists indicate that relatively complicated learning can begin much earlier than usually assumed. Working with an electric typewriter on which children aged two to four select letters spoken or written by the teacher, it was found that a child not yet three could learn to read and write entire sentences and to read at the second-grade level in six months. The experimenters, Omar K. Moore and Alan R. Anderson, said the interests of pre-school and school children have been "seriously misjudged" and that the lack of motivation in school children may be the result of "prior stifling of their intelli-

. . . RACISTS BECOME CONCERNED WITH ETHICS - A Chicago real-estate operator, Harold C. Lewis, is trying to organize a movement to block the building of an integrated housing development at Deerfield, a Chicago suburban village. The Progress Development Corporation plans to build 51 homes there and sell 10 or 12 of them to Negroes. Opponents of the plan assert their objection is not to integration but to the fact that it was not announced in advance. The developers pointed out that builders who discriminate against Negroes are not compelled to state this in advance, so they reserved the same right for themselves.

U.S. DROPS PROSECUTION OF BROW-**DER** — The Justice Department conceded Nov. 25 that it did not have the evidence to back up its perjury charge against former Communist party leader Earl Browder, and the indictment handed down in 1952 was dropped. Browder and his late wife were accused of having lied to an immigration board. Browder said he hoped dismissal of the indictment would bring an end to government harassment of his family.

WANTS KHRUSHCHEV TO COME BACK - Adolph Steinberg, a New York subway straphanger, has urged Soviet Premier Khrushchev to visit New York again so that "decent lights" might be provided in the subways. His

open letter to Khrushchev in the New York Daily Mirror was reprinted in Prayda, A Transit Authority spokesman conceded that 36-wat bulbs had been replaced by 100-watt bulbs in one of the stations that Khrushchev had been scheduled to visit. He said the station had been spruced up "just as you would tidy up your home for a guest." The small bulbs were put back, he said, because the station's wiring would have been overloaded and besides a brightly lighted station would have made the others seem even drearier.

THANKSGIVING IN MISSOURI - On Thanksgiving eve, the federal government re- Lithographers of America went ported that more than 2,000 pounds of cranberries contaminated by the chemical weed killer which induces cancer in rats had been of this city. These shops employ are branches of nationwide sold in Kansas City, Mo. The shipment was 1,150 of the 2,200 members of chains with large plants around found to be tainted on Nov. 19 but the order to seize it was not issued until six days later, according to Sam D. Fine, chief of the Kansas City office of the Food and Drug Administra-

NOTHING SACRED - We have never been party to the annual campaign to convince little children there isn't any Santa Claus, so at issue is the bosses' desire big lithographers consider the union-busting moves. but we feel it necessary to warn any young to have photographic work done question of union control more readers we may have in London to keep a sharp or printing plates made in noneye on the bearded gentleman. According to union shops, or to be contracted With the recently passed Kenpress reports, department stores there are plan- for abroad. Up to now contract nedy-Landrum-Griffin law they ning to hire private detectives this year who clauses made it mandatory that feel that they have a new weawill be disguised as Santas.

HEATER DEATHS - Sixteen people have died since last summer as a result of using a certain brand of bottle gas heaters in trailers. The Public Health Service warns that 2,100 of the heaters, made by the Thrum Engineering Co., of Elkhardt, Ind., were sold and that "until the last one is run down there is a boobytrap to hit the unsuspecting."

WINS CITIZENSHIP FIGHT - Al Richmond, editor of the People's World, a West Coast weekly reflecting the views of the Communist party, has won the right to retain his citizenship. Federal authorities filed a denaturalization suit against him in 1952 shortly after his conviction, since reversed, under the Smith Act. Last week a federal judge threw out the government's case which was based on the war against the union by getting young man from bringing a pack fice, to hammer out a program claim that Richmond had obtained his naturalization papers through fraud while in the army But this attempt fizzled as all store or a young woman from working people of this country during World War II. This claim was made but two of the non-Association carrying a hat pin. despite the fact that in applying for citizenship, shops signed stipulations with Democratic majority leader Richmond had acknowledged his membership the union agreeing to all terms Sharkey replied, "We're at war in the Communist party.

Denver T-H "Oath" Case Aims at Union on Strike

DENVER - The Taft-Hartley former union officials, Kenneth a scandalous example of a gov- vision of Kennecott. ernment - employer conspiracy At the very time that Peteragainst labor.

were indicted for "conspiring" bargaining sessions and is said affidavits. When Taft-Hartley strategist in the strike. be deprived of NLRB bargain- An ugly racist note

the oath. But on Nov. 2, while the union public opinion against him.

conspiracy" trial of leaders of Eckert and James Peterson. the International Union of Mine, Eckert is now a paid official was given short shrift by indus-Mill & Smelter Workers, which of the United Auto Workers. is being staged while the union Peterson is industrial relations

son has been offering testimony Three years ago, 14 present against the union in the trial and former officers of the union he has been directly involved in

Three of the 14 who were in-

been members of the Commun-ern regional director of the the NAM will press for. It is that is, if the people are landist party and had only pretend- union. He asked for separation now engaged in collecting a war- lords. ed to resign when they signed on the grounds that association chest to put it across as a legiswith Asbury Howard, another Trial was postponed twice, of the defendants, would incite was entering the fourth month | Howard, a vice president of

of a bitterly fought strike in- the union, is the Negro leader contributions of \$100 and up to of that too. volving Kennecott Copper and who recently was sentenced to put over the following proother major producers, the gov- six months on the chain gang in gram: ernment opened its prosecution. Bessemer, Ala., for having a The principal government wit- poster made showing a Negro nesses so far have been two praying for the right to vote.

San Francisco Lithographers **Defend Union Working Rules**

Local 17 of the Amalgamated operate. the local and, through their As- the country; all are members of and disastrous defeats for the to be the first lucky recipients all the union shops.

unlimited rights in hiring, firing a serious test of strength. and transferring employees. Al-

Besides attempting to undermine union control in this way, the employers propose to in crease speed-up by reducing the work force on certain presses, and to open the door to further speed-up through a clause in "right to manage" their shops.

The big lithographers tried to enlist the small shops in their said the law would prevent a from mine, mill, factory and of them to lock out their workers. of razor blades home from the of action around which the ultimately reached with the big with the hoodlums and bums." Militant on to a friend?

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24-| shops. They are continuing to

However, the large shops are on strike yesterday against the not standing alone in this fight 16 biggest lithographic printers in San Francisco. Some of them sociation, bargain on terms for the National Lithographers Association, an employers' group government through their dom- currently projected city housing Main issue in the strike is the that has directed anti-union ination of the two major politic- developments are in the "planemployers insistence on revis- struggles in other cities. They al parties, big business can sit ing working rules to give them see the San Francisco strike as

Like the steel companies, the will be used to back up their crucial than wages right now. all phases of lithographic print- pon for use against the unions. Justify the enactment of further ing be performed under union The bosses can be expected to union crippling legislation. try out some of its provisions against the Amalgamated Lithographers in San Francisco.

Boon to Boy Scouts

The New York City Council approved a bill Nov. 24 banning beginning toward reversing the the contract affirming the bosses youths under 21 from carrying "right to manage" their shops. knives or any other "edged or tapping the unplumbed initiapointed instrument." The law, tive resourcefulness intellithe employers declared, they intended to curb delinquency, might consider a modest wage would exempt Boy Scouts and the union rank and file by callhunters and fishermen. Councilman Stanley Isaacs Labor composed of delegates

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can rally.

confusion.