



South African Freedom Fight Drives Wedge in Ruling Class

By Frances James

The demonstrations and strikes of the Negroes in the Union of South Africa during recent weeks have precipitated a sharp debate in the country's parliament...

The latter is Harry Oppenheimer, chairman of the powerful Anglo-American Corporation which controls major sections of mining and industry in the Union and in the Rhodesias.

As a result of the growth of manufacturing in the Union, industrial production now comes to one-quarter of the total national product. Eighty-five per cent of the industrial output—namely, tractors, bicycles, textiles, canned food—is sold to other African countries...

Too Many Babies? Ever Hear of "Instant People"? By Joseph Hansen. Tenth in a series of articles.

When the neo-Malthusians advocate sterilization of the poor, particularly the masses of India, China, Africa and Latin America where the great majority happen to be colored, they prove themselves to be very short-sighted.

But if a surplus laboring population is a necessary product of accumulation or of the development of wealth on a capitalist basis, this surplus population becomes, conversely, the lever of capitalistic accumulation...

Marx follows this observation with a most illuminating description of the periodicity of the expansion of capital, its ups and downs, its sudden retreats and its sudden expansion...

The mass of social wealth, overflowing with the advance of accumulation, and transformable into additional capital, thrusts itself frantically into old branches of production...

To show how well the more thoughtful spokesmen of the capitalist class appreciated this function of overpopulation, Marx cites a statement by H. Merivale in 1841:

"Suppose that, on the occasion of some of these crises, the nation were to rouse itself to the effort of getting rid by emigration of some hundreds of thousands of superfluous arms, what would be the consequence?

Does that language sound a little musty, like it's from the grave where the defenders of capitalism bury Marx a thousand times a year? Maybe you've got a point.

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Isn't it really more satisfying to let Marx show us why? Suppose we try to follow his analysis further as he probes deeper into what happens to the working population upon the widening of the ratio between constant and variable capital.

(Next week: The Testimony of Lewis.)

British Witch-hunt Movie Glorifies a Scab

By Murry Weiss

In last week's article on the witch-hunt against the Socialist Labor League in Great Britain, we cited the lurid tales spread by the capitalist press about "Trotskyist strike-fomenters" and their "secret organization" known simply as "The Club."

The News Chronicle claims credit for having sparked the witch-hunt against militant unionism, though the type of fabrications it has peddled were invented long ago.

More recently, News Chronicle has boasted that its "exposures" supplied the inspiration for a movie, "The Angry Silence," put out early this year by Boulting Brothers with a star cast.

The racial laws of the Nationalist government are designed to prevent the workers from settling in the industrial areas, to return them to the rural "native reserves" and to reduce the South African working class to the status of slave labor.

News Chronicle reporter Leslie Mallory, in an interview Feb. 9 with actor Attenborough and the movie's screen writer Bryan Forbes is full of praise.

How "sober" may be judged from the following exchange between reporter Mallory and screen writer Forbes.

"I pointed out," says Mallory, "that The Club, the Trotskyist group behind some recent strikes, had not been known to go around burning people's cars."

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Witch-hunting the Youth. The anti-Marxist witch-hunt operates in all areas of British life.

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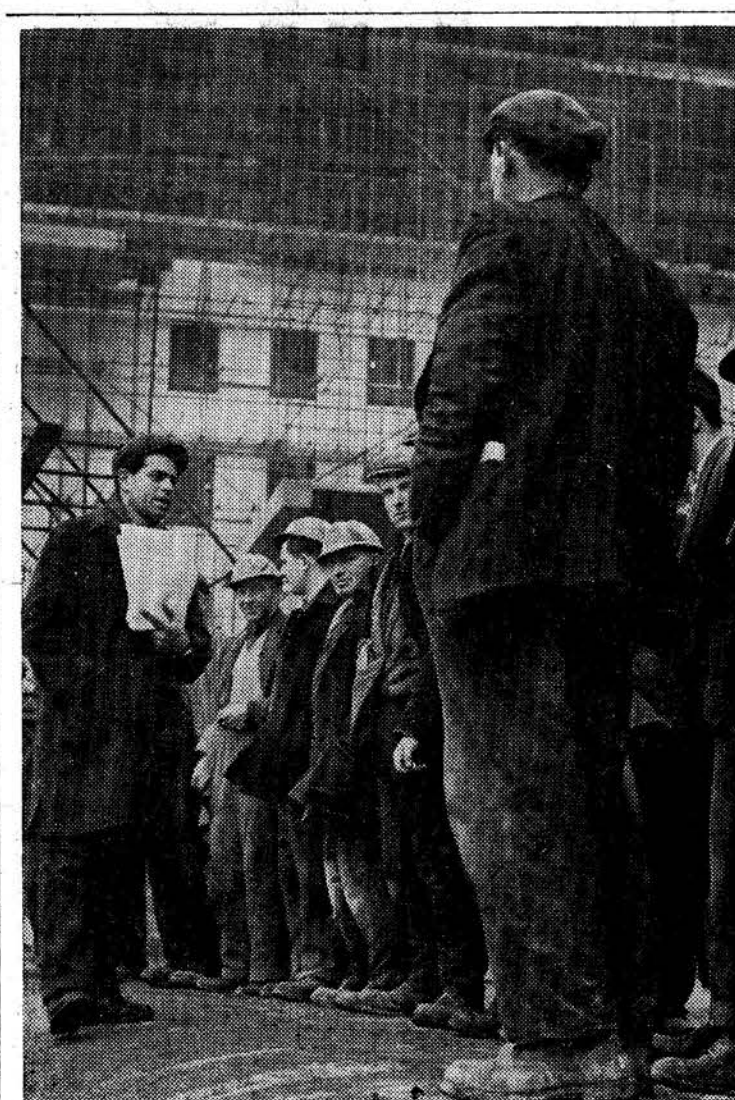
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Salesman for the Newsletter, weekly publication of the Socialist Labor League, at a construction site in England. The Newsletter has given strong backing to construction workers, who during the last eighteen months have engaged in several militant strikes.

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Schoolboy Leaves the Party." The boy is quoted as saying "From now on my activities will be purely academic and I shall divorce myself from politics entirely."

Enter Morgan Phillips, general secretary of the Labor party. Perhaps this dauntless leader of the working class will defend the boy from the red-baiters? No, Phillips treats the culprit as if he had caught him lifting his wallet.

Warming up to the subject of his tolerant attitude, Phillips then reveals the real skeleton in his family closet.

"I think I ought to tell you about Gwyneth, my daughter," says Phillips. "She was a rebel too. She was in the Fulham League of Youth, so rebellious it was expelled by the constituency Labor party."

"It was six weeks before I found out and I only discovered that my house was 'rebel headquarters' when I could not find a chair to sit on outside the room where, said my wife, 'Gwyneth was having friends.'"

But the story has a happy ending: "Gwyneth is now a loyal Labor party member, and her doctor husband is prospective Labor candidate against the Chancellor of the Exchequer."

This garish episode reveals more than just the Polonius-like buffoonery of the Labor party's general secretary. The same party leaders, who regard youth's interest in the revolutionary Marxist doctrines as immature folly, want to expunge the socialist clause from the party's constitution and become more "respectable" in the eyes of the lords and ladies of big business who rule England.

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manding silent obedience from even their milder critics such as Richard H. S. Crossman, who bucked the right-wing's H-bomb policy.

The broad left-wing of the Labor party of which the Socialist Labor League is an integral part is struggling to turn the helm of the party to the left and replace the Gaitskells and the Morgan-Phillip's with a new and 'revitalized leadership."

Victory in this struggle is imperative if the British workers are to forge ahead on the socialist road and if the youth, with all their enthusiasm and courage, are to be won to the side of the working class.

... South Africa

(Continued from Page 1) African, Indian and white opponents of segregation have already been arrested. Many other leaders of the African National Congress and of the Pan Africanist Congress have escaped police searches and gone underground to continue their work.

South African Minister of Justice Erasmus has refused to say whether the young Pan-Africanist leader Philip Kgosana who led the 30,000 freedom-fighters' demonstration in Capetown has been arrested or not.

In Port Elizabeth, during the night of April 2, bonfires of "passbooks" flared up and police made few attempts to disperse the groups around the fires. Negroes are reported to be touring the countryside urging that all burn up their passbooks.

The government declared April 6 that suspension of prosecution for violating the "passbook" laws has been withdrawn. This had been a concession to the Africans following protests over the shootings March 21 and 22, when police admitted to having killed seventy people.

Sixty-five Africans who appeared in Johannesburg court April 5 on a charge that they had violated the "passbook" laws on March 21, refused to plead. Their spokesman said: "We, the accused members of the African community refuse to plead to the charge laid against us because we are under no obligation to obey a law which has been imposed on African people without their consent."

Opposition to the Verwoerd government's murderous policies is growing among white clergy of both the Anglican and Dutch Reform Churches. Leading industrialists have declared that "consultation with all races must be undertaken" by the government.

The international boycott of South African goods has been gaining increased support.

Is It Dewey's Fault Johnny Can't Read?

John Dewey's theories of progressive education once enjoyed wide support among enlightened educators and parents. Yet there are only a few "progressive" schools in the country today. These are largely restricted to children of upper-income families and they practice little of Dewey's theories.

In recent years, progressive education has been made the scapegoat for all the failures of the educational system, particularly by those who charge that the schools are responsible for the U.S. "scientific lag" in the cold war.

In the second of two articles on Dewey's educational theories, William F. Warde discusses what was actually valid in Dewey's concepts and why his system failed to achieve realization on any significant scale. In the Spring issue of International Socialist Review. Send 35 cents for a copy.

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... Khrushchev Rebuffed

(Continued from Page 1) themselves are infinitely slimmer than that they will continue jointly to prepare for war against the Soviet Union.

Finally, it is a betrayal of socialism to fight the growing international unification of the capitalist class — expressed economically in Western Europe, for instance, by the Common Market Agreement — through rousing old national enmities.

The working classes of France and Germany have suffered quite enough from socialists turning chauvinists. In World War I, the majority of "socialists" in both France and Germany helped recruit the workers in their respective countries for the imperialist slaughter.

The working unity of the capitalists today makes it easier for socialists to advocate international working class unity. In Europe, growing Franco-German accord at the top should be countered with the slogan of the united socialist states of Europe.

Indeed, whereas the capitalists will unite among themselves only to deepen the division be-

between Western Europe and the Soviet-bloc countries and in order to prepare for war against the latter, a genuine socialist program would hold out the prospect of eliminating the East-West division and the threat of war by bringing the entire continent under a single planned economy.

Khrushchev's pitting of French nationalism against growing unity between the French and German capitalist classes has about as much socialism in it as the schemes periodically advanced in this country to destroy the power of the monopolists by breaking up the trusts into competing entities.

Genuine socialists don't fool around with trust-busting schemes of this sort which call for attempting to restore an earlier stage of capitalism. They advocate that the power of big business be smashed through nationalization of all basic industries under workers' control and through the operation of these industries according to a plan.

Toasts French "Grandeur" One can gauge how reactionary Khrushchev's appeals to French enmity of Germany really are when one considers the following: In his speeches in France, Khrushchev on the one

hand denounced as "Hitlerian" Chancellor Adenauer's claim that Germany has a "divine mission to save Europe" from communism, while on the other he offered toasts to the "grandeur of France" — the megalomaniac phrase revived by De Gaulle. In the past, the bonapartist ravings about French "glory" and "grandeur" have disrupted the peace of Europe quite as much as the madman's cry, "Deutschland Ueber Alles," which Adenauer, echoing Hitler, utters from time to time.



Dr. Uphaus Warns Of the Danger to Civil Liberties

Editor: I was deeply disappointed to have the State Supreme Court rule against us, but Mrs. Uphaus and I, and many throughout the country and in other lands, have long since fortified ourselves against temporary upsets.

ism, it is good to feel solid moral foundations under our feet. Our civil and religious liberties are inherent in the nature of man and the universe.

year "contempt" sentence for having refused to turn over to the Attorney General of New Hampshire the guest list of the World Fellowship Center of which he is director.

Protests Report On ILGWU Officer

Editor: I want to protest the Militant's uncritical reporting of Charles Zimmerman marching at the head of a picket line at Woolworth's in New York.

Willard Uphaus (Dr. Uphaus is serving a one-

A New York Dressmaker

...Quill Hits Two-Party Hoax

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Negroes are denied the right to vote, the poor white citizens who cannot pay the tax are also denied the vote.



Senator Eastland of Mississippi, chairman of Senate Judiciary Committee, is happy at the way northern Democrats and the Republicans have paraded down "civil rights" bill to the point where Dixiecrats need not oppose it too stiffly.

"And," Quill continues, "while the 3-ring circus whirls on in Washington, men and women of the South are being murdered, maimed, imprisoned and whipped because they dare conduct protest meetings, picket lines and sit-down strikes in lunch rooms and cafeterias demanding equal service for their American dollar."

People are asking, says Quill, what the leaders of the American labor movement are doing about the civil-rights scandal.

Unheeded Protests

The labor movement has protested, says Quill, on a national and international level — but these protests go largely unheeded.

The answer? "Our members in the leadership of the labor movement point out to us that we are powerless to influence these American Senators despite the fact that many of them were elected by the labor vote."

The AFL-CIO Committee on Political Education (COPE) is doing the best it can, says Quill, but it is totally ineffective.

No Ifs or Buts

As for himself: "I have only one answer, and that is that a national labor party must be built — a party of working people, organized and unorganized, which will treat the Negroes and other minority groups with equality and dignity, and without ifs, ands, or butts!"

What should this labor party be like? "This American Labor Party," says Quill, "should take into its folds liberals from every walk of life by their small business people or professionals. The day is rapidly approaching when we cannot afford to suffer any longer as the tail to the kite of the Democratic Party which is led by men of the ilk of Eastland, Russell, Talmadge, McClellan, Byrd, Thurmond, and the unmentionable Faubus."

"Nor," he adds, "can we be associated with the Republican Party of Goldwater, Dirksen, Capehart, Case, Hickenlooper, Williams and Mundt. They are all co-conspirators in this crime against the American people!"

To emphasize his point, Quill adds: "We of labor should no more associate ourselves with these parties than we should with the crooks, gangsters and criminals that some of these holier-than-thou politicians have peddled to the American people as wedded to labor."

To the doubters and sceptics Quill says: "The building of a political party of working people in this country is not impossible. In this age of auto-

Intimidation on Jobs Allows IUE to Gain Slim Victory in Lynn

By C. Thomas

The AFL-CIO International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers won a union-representation election on March 25 in a heated contest with the independent United Electrical Workers at the Lynn, Massachusetts, Everett and River Works plants, of General Electric Corporation.

This was the fourth representation election since 1950 when the IUE won a majority after the UE was ousted in 1949 from the CIO as a "communist dominated" union.

... Rights Fight

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young rights fighters in Marshall, Texas. The first sit-ins occurred there March 28. Police picked up, then released 25 of the participants, students from Bishop and Wiley colleges.

Despite the assaults and jailings, new sit-ins were again organized in the face of an ugly mob of whites brought in from surrounding rural areas and the presence of Texas Rangers with snarling police dogs.

Yesterday a red-baiting tactic was taken as a local grand jury opened an investigation of "possible outside influences" in the demonstrations.

Meanwhile, students at Southern University in Louisiana pressed their fight to win reinstatement of 18 expelled for joining in Baton Rouge sit-ins.

In Greensboro, N. C., where the sit-in movement began Feb. 1, the Woolworth company shut down its lunch counter indefinitely after being hit by new sit-ins when a "cooling off" period ended with a Mayor's committee recommending that a portion of the seats at each lunch counter be set aside for integrated service.

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By Carolyn Kerry, Business Manager

Judging by the "heat" developed around the recent Wisconsin primary fight, the 1960 presidential election campaign is now well under way.

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Strictly from Vote-Hunger

By Arthur Jordan

President Eisenhower was "happy," said congressional leaders April 5, with the pending "civil rights bill." Its chief enforcement provision, making it a crime to obstruct all types of court orders seemed to be fashioned not so much against denials of civil rights as against union activities.

It was an open secret that the "civil rights" debate was a mock battle, elaborately staged by Democrats and Republicans through their respective leaders (Senators Lyndon Johnson and Everett Dirksen) so that everybody — Southern racists, Northern liberals and the Eisenhower Administration — could "make the record" in an election year.

On March 24 the House passed a bill, and staging called for a scene shift back to the Senate. Leaders there had hinted they would maneuver around Senator Eastland's (D-Miss.) Judiciary Committee, bringing the House bill direct to the Senate floor.

March 29 the committee adopted fifteen amendments to the House bill. The period for preserving voting records was shortened. The section on bombing was weakened. The section on schooling for service children was struck.

But the events proved otherwise. When the bill came on the Senate floor March 30 the "broadening" amendment passed by an overwhelming bipartisan vote: 68-20. Apparently, liberal ranks were sadly thinned. In a rush the Senate approved every Judiciary Committee amendment, with one exception, an attempt by Sen. Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn.) to further weaken the "referee plan."

Adoption of substantial amendments meant the bill must eventually return to the House. This was not the original "strategy," as announced. But, as Baker had already observed in the March 29 Times, "Senate leaders now reckon that the task of again freeing the bill from the [House] Rules Committee coalition of Southerners can be managed if the end product is weaker than the House bill."

Senators Johnson and Dirksen, linked in stern pursuit of that end product, now succeeded in doing what had hitherto seemed impossible (at least against a Southern filibuster) — namely, curtailing Senate debate.

Northern liberals ostensibly seeking to "strengthen" the bill protested, as did a few Southerners attempting to mutilate it further. But protests from neither group carried conviction; they were "making the record."

Notes in the News

STUMPS THE FLAG WAVERS—A growing number of scholars have rapped the widespread "loyalty-oath" requirement for teachers. But Dr. Jefferson Fordham, dean of the University of Pennsylvania law school, showed how witch-hunters can be tripped up by their own laws.

POLISHING THE BRASS PAID OFF—The Martin Company, a leading missiles manufacturer, has shown much concern for the welfare of retired Pentagon brass hats. Sixty-two of them are on the company's payroll.

UNIONS SHOULD SPEAK UP FOR CUBA—In a letter to the Record, weekly newspaper of the Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union, Delizabeth Misas, a member of the union, wrote: "The Cuban people and their government are being attacked by the same enemies who obstruct the progress of American workers."

RAILROAD WORKER FILES SUIT—Waddell B. Sells, a former employee of the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad, filed a federal damage suit on March 25 for \$100,000 against the railroad and Local 353, International Brotherhood of Firemen and Oilers.

MAYBE IT WAS THE WAY HE PARTED HIS HAIR—According to the Illinois Division of the American Civil Liberties Union, a Chicago cop recently arrested a young industrial worker, Joseph Cholico, who, said the cop, had stared at him "peculiarly."

booked on a disorderly conduct charge and held incommunicado overnight. The arrest slip was made out to indicate he was arrested in a tavern adjoining the restaurant. However, the tavern owner, who was listed as the complaining witness, denied ever having seen Cholico.

HUNGER STRIKE — Staff members at Harlem Hospital in New York, including internes and resident doctors, staged a two-day hunger strike to protest eating and living conditions at the hospital.

CRAZY, MIXED-UP KIDS? — Bucknell University has temporarily dismissed three students who burned a 20-foot cross at a fraternity house whose membership includes three Negroes.

"AMERICANIZATION" — The Voice of Israel, the Israeli government radio, has begun to carry spot commercial announcements. Harry Zindler, director of Voice of Israel, said there had been a public murmur of foreboding over this newest bit of "Americanization."

OUR FREE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM AT WORK — Wheat prices dropped 39 per cent in 1959 but the price of bread went up 42 per cent, according to Fred V. Heinkel, president of the Missouri Farmers Association.

BUG MAN BACK AT WORK — During the 1958 investigation of businessman Bernard Goldfine's gifts to presidential aide Sherman Adams, a hidden microphone was discovered in Goldfine's Washington hotel room.

Dinner to Greet Dr. Rubinstein

Dr. Annette T. Rubinstein will be welcomed home at an informal dinner given by a committee of friends, Friday, April 22, at the Weissman's, 325 East Seventeenth Street, New York City.

Calendar Of Events

Table with columns for location (Boston, Newark, Cleveland, Detroit, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Seattle, St. Louis) and event details.