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Ministers Defy Fla. Committee

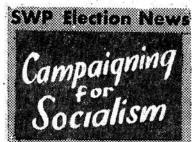
Big Fine, Jail Terms Face Two Negro Rights Fighters

By Arthur Jordan

The Miami, Fla., Negro community barely began celebrating hard-won victories at the city's lunch counters and beaches when it was shocked into angry indignation. On

tion were sentenced to six- ly on their First Amendment month jail terms and \$1,200 in rights and sought to have the

The "crime" for which the Reverends Edward T. Graham and Theodore Gibson were convicted in Tallahassee Circuit Court was contempt of the Florida Legislative Investigating Committee. For three years the ministers, past and present presidents of the Miami NAACP respectively, have staunchly refused to let the committee check their organization's membership rolls against a list of alleged



By Joseph Hansen

The Socialist Workers party filed 23,197 signatures Sept. 14 on an independent nominating petition to place Farrell Dobbs and Myra Tanner Weiss on the ballot in New York as socialist presidential and vice-presidential candidates.

The law requires 12,000 sig- ference Educational Fund. natures, including 50 in each of It is urged that protests be they say, and then we'll get the state's 62 counties save one, sent to Goy, Leroy Collins, These, onerous requirements Executive Mansion, Tallahassee, (Continued on Page 2) Fla.

Aug. 30 two stalwart leaders in "Communists." Both stood firm-the prolonged fight for integra. "Communists." Both stood firmcommittee ruled out-of-bounds

by the courts. Judge W. May Walker refused bonds, but grudgingly con-ceded the pair liberty pending appeals. The 'NAACP announced Sept. 6 that the State Supreme Court had decided to consider Rev. Gibson's case "on merit," allowing him an estimated month of freedom.

The witch-hunting of the ministers has closely paralleled the broadening integration struggle. Florida's "little Un-American" committee was hastily put together after the Miami NAACP filed the state's first school integration suit. It called for the membership rolls. The ministers were summoned again in November, 1959, just as the NAACP opened a drive to desegregate parks. A "special" committee questioned them July 27 at the height of Miami's sit-in and wade-in campaigns.

Refusing to produce the rolls, Rev. Gibson told the committee: "Whom I associate with is none of your business." Rev. Graham refused even to acknowledge NAACP mem-

Defendants, and Southern Con-

Party of Your Choice **Needs a Contribution**

Organizational Secretary, Socialist Workers Party

SEPT. 14 — If you have been listening to the television and radio recently, you have probably heard and seen the numerous broadcasts appealing to the American people to: Make a contribution to the party and candidates of your of dissent in this election cam-

people were given a meaning- people is concerned, the bobful choice to make. But that is tail session of Congress adds up cant omissions in this statement. not the intention. The two capi- to one gargantuan goose egg. talist parties control the elector-Every year they make it more naming of antilabor, anti-Nemake the ballot, thus depriving presidential candidate on the parties and candidates of their

ed a measure setting aside the to go into the special session of "equal time" provision of the Congress and whip his Dixiecrat law, so that there is a virtual cronies into line to adopt the monopoly by the Republicans "must" legislation as a down and Democrats of radio and payment on the promises in the television time over the nation- Democratic platform. "Lynal networks. The Congress, don's" heart was not really in where the Democrats have prac- the job. tically a two-thirds majority in the Republican administration that the platform promises of to deny the minority parties the Democrats and Republicans and candidates "equal time" to are as worthless as Confederate present the voters with an al- currency. Speaking of currency ternative choice.

This was done, they say, to to be a column on the \$12,000 make it possible for the major campaign fund which the Socandidates to "debate" the is- cialist Workers party started a sues before the huge television few weeks ago. (See scoreboard, and radio audience. Now it page 2.) Shut off, as we are, comes out, that there is not from national network radio really going to be a "debate" in and television time by the any real sense. Both capitalist "equal time" fraud we must candidates will deliver a pre- take this means of appealing to pared statement and then each the readers of the Militant and will answer a few questions all supporters of a socialist alfrom a select panel which the ternative in this election camartful dodgers will dispose of paign.

As the amended "equal time" provision has been interpreted you hear the plea to make a by the national broadcasting contribution to the party and chains it has meant all time for cándidates of your choice, sit the boss class candidates and down and send us the contribuno time for the candidates of tion that will make it possible the minority parties.

bob-tail session of Congress held only real reason for reconvening was to scuttle the already N.Y. emasculated "equal time" law in order to stifle the only voices

paign. Otherwise, so far as any Remember how the slick

political astuteness. "Lyndon,"

What the people got instead reminds me that this started out

with the usual glittering and meaningless generalities.

To those we can reach with the limited means at our command — remember: When next to bring to the people of this And all of this in the name of country a genuine alternative to freedom and democracy - of the political Siamese twins who course, of course! In fact, the head the capitalist party tickets. Send your contribution to: recently, can boast that the Socialist Workers Party, 116 University Place, New York 3

(See Fund Scoreboard on

Rebels in Laos



Rebels belonging to the second paratroop battalion, guard one approach to the Laotian capital of Vietiane following their predawn coup on Aug. 9. The troops, headed by Captain Kong Le, overthrew the U.S.-supported regime and promoted the establishment of a new neutralist government under Premier Phouma, A counter-rebellion against the newly formed Phouma government, inspired by the extremely reactionary Defense Minister Gen. Nosovan, is reported in progress in Southern Laos. A U.S. carrier force has been sent to patrol the South China seas

What You Will Lose Antiunion Fund the Democrats Win Benefits Railway

By Farrell Dobbs Socialist Workers party candidate for president

Liberal and labor supporters of the Democratic ticket are trying to pass off the failure of Supporting their stand are the the special session to enact a American Civil Liberties Union, single progressive measure by Committee of First Amendment fixing attention on the next Congress. Wait until the Democrats are in the White House, what we want and what the Democratic platform promises.

What chances are there that the 1961 Congress will do better in the fields of civil rights 1958-1960 predecessor, if Kennedy and Johnson win?

Here's one tipoff. On Sept. 1 both houses. He then pledged Congress reconvenes. support to a drive early in the

al machinery of this country. political twisters justified the pledge. This means that only a Americans for Democratic Acdifficult for minority parties to gro, Lyndon Johnson, as vice- back Kennedy's promises. When of reform, Kennedy carefully reporters asked Kennedy how dodged the issue. voters of the right to vote for Democratic party ticket? It was he could consider his position to Prospects are no brighter for hailed as a mark of Kennedy's be the program of the party the passage of favorable labor when no more than 24 out of 66 measures in case of victory for This year, the Congress enact- we were told, would now have were for it, he could not give the Democrats. Kennedy was any satisfactory answer.

What is his proposed action on civil rights worth when even at this stage the Democratic candidate can't count on more than one-third of the Democrats in the Senate?

Johnson, the Senate majority railroad ended Sept. 12 after leader and Democratic vice- twelve days. The strike was presidential candidate, was not called by the Transport Workers among the signers. Johnson Union and Systems Federation would be the key figure in any 152 which together represent battle in the Senate on civil 20,000 nonoperating mainterights. Kennedy answered, when

queried, that he had not asked his running mate to sign because he wanted to enlist only those who had voted for the liberal alternatives. This can mean only one thing. Johnson is not lined and labor legislation than its up behind even the mild Kennedy program.

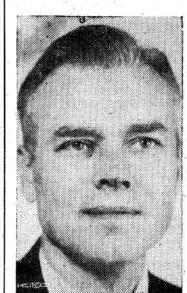
ports that Johnson, in touring tures of the strike. Thirteen Senator Kennedy held a news conference in which he blamed fears of his friends about the road companies set up a system the Republicans and Eisenhow- civil-rights pledges in the Dem- of contributions which provide er for the failure of civil-rights ocratic platform by assuring indemnity payments, covering legislation, even though the them that he intends to take taxes, debt payments and super-Democrats had majorities in care of these properly when

If Kennedy were half-serious next session for action on civil about pushing through civil- continue for a year. rights legislation, he should be He said that 23 other Demo- preparing to do away with the cratic senators had signed a Senate rules and the powers of legislation for the benefit of the statement backing up his pledge. the House Rules Committee There were two highly signifi- which enable the Dixiecrats and conservatives to block any leg-(1) There are 66 Democratic islation they oppose. But when senators; only 24 signed the some liberal senators and the minority of his own colleagues tion called for such a program

> the chief architect of the Kennedy - Landrum - Griffin bill at the last session. Johnson has (Continued on Page 2)

Chicago Socialist to Run both houses, ganged up with was yet another demonstration that the platform promises of

paper Guild and led its strike tive plant in Chicago.



HOWARD MAYHEW

CHICAGO, Aug. 23-Howard | against the Hearst Chicago Mayhew this week announced American and Herald Examiner the Federal Communications his candidacy for U.S. Senate in 1939-40. An auto worker from Illinois on the Socialist from 1940 to 1952, he served as ternative programs dissenting Workers party ticket. He is a grievance committeeman and as from the bipartisan policies of veteran unionist who acted as editor of the UAW local paper at Nixon and Kennedy from being organizer of the Chicago News- the General Motors Electro-Mo- heard by the voters.

In answer to a question from the League of Women Voters on the national budget, Mayhew stated: "Priority in government expenditures should be given to the basic needs of the American people, not the interests of the monopolists. In the Senate I would propose that the present \$42 billion arms budget be urned into a peace budget for homes, schools, hospitals, medical research, nurseries, playgrounds, highways, transportaion and public parks.

"The unbalanced budget is a symptom of the chronic sickness of our capitalist economy which can be fundamentally cured of the means of production and planned economy."

ties in Illinois, Mayhew must their rights and organize all companies on the matter. If the run as a "write-in" candidate. | civil-liberties forces in a "con- FCC does not give satisfactory Councilwomen who have named

During Strike The first strike in the 114-

(2) The name of Lyndon B. year history of the Pennsylvania nance workers. The two unions demanded changes in work rules to provide more jobs and greater firm and TWU head Michael Quill claimed that the new contract was a victory for the union.

The strike insurance paid to the Pennsylvania railroad was This is confirmed by press re- one of the most ominous feavisory salaries, when a line suspends operations on account of a strike. These payments can

> The Pennsylvania was getting an estimated \$600,000 a day to cover its fixed costs. During the 26-day trainmen's strike last July the Long Island railroad (Continued on Page 2)

UN Showdown Looms Over Crisis in Congo

Urges Probe Of Racists in New Jersey

NEWARK - Gladys Barker Grauer, Socialist Workers nominee for U.S. Senator from New Jersey, has urged Gov. Meyner to act against local officials and racist hoodlums in Hamilton Township who are trying to prevent Roderick Woodward, a Negro, from moving into his newly purchased home there.

ance against Woodward requiring a health permit before a real-estate sale is closed.

Mrs. Grauer also called for state legislation barring restrictive covenants and providing stiff penalties for those who try to bar a person from buying or renting a home because of color, religion or national origin.

A reply to Mrs. Grauer from the Statehouse said that the governor agreed with her that fighter in the punch-drunk discrimination in housing "has no place in the United States."



GLADYS GRAUER

Khrushchev's Participation **Unnerves State Department**

By M. L. Stafford

As the conflict within the Congo and the United Nations deepened, Soviet Premier Khrushchev set out for New-York to attend the UN General Assembly opening Sept. 20. He will be part of an unpre-

cedented assemblage of heads of state including not only several Witch-Hunters leaders from the Communist countries but such outstanding Dealt Setback as Nasser, Tito, Nehru and Cas-When the 97 nations meet at In Syrek Case

the UN session, the Congo crisis will hold the center of the In an Aug. 29 letter to the stage. The U.S. State Departgovernor, Mrs. Grauer demand- ment has been so unnerved by ed that he probe the failure of Khrushchev's unexpected trip township officials to provide to this country that it could Woodward police protection think up no more effective when racists tried to burn down countermove than to restrict his home. She also urged inves- him to Manhattan. This petty tigation of the township's invok- act will certainly not restrict ing a previously unused ordin-public interest in what the Soviet leader has to say.

The State Department then placed a similar restriction on the movements of Castro whom it holds in venomous hatred because of the way in which he scorned the blandishments of Wall Street's financial oligarchs and led the resistance against their "hate Cuba" campaign.

In face of the Soviet initiative, Washington acted like a stage. "At present," said Peter Edson, writing from the nationno American plan nor free world grand strategy to counter whatever grandiose propaganda dictatorial hands." pressure Nikita Khrushchev and his eight Communist satellite stooges may to spring. Their principal job will be to sit tight and prevent panic."

The next day the State Department strategists decided that the best way to prevent job because of objection to the panic was to send Eisenhower loyalty oath requirement. into the UN ring as a preliminary boxer. Their man may ac- ing legalized "chiseling" on welup the audience for Khrush- "pay benefits to those who will chev, but at least an early ap- seize on any excuse to avoid pearance saves the White House working." from the propaganda disaster that might occur if Eisenhower working. He objected to being had to make a speech following deprived of his constitutional the Soviet spokesman.

The pro-imperialist role of the UN in the Congo has called forth increasing objections and protests, not only from Premier Lumumba and the Soviet Union, but also from a growing list of neutralist

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The witch-hunters received a setback in California Aug. 3 when the Supreme Court ordered the state to pay unemployment benefits to a worker who was fired from his job for refusing to sign a loyalty oath.

Marion R. Syrek, Jr., a multilith operator, lost his job with a San Francisco accounting firm in 1956 because he would not sign a loyalty oath required by the company.

The State Department of Employment then denied him unemployment compensation.

After the lower court upheld this ruling, the Appeals court reversed it, saying Syrek had "good cause" to refuse to sign. By a 4-to-3 decision the Supreme Court took the same position.

Syrek argued that he had a conscientious objection to the loyalty oath because he believed al capital in the Sept. 13 there might be need at some Scripps Howard press, "there is time to overthrow the federal government by force if the government fell into "tyrannical or

> He cited the American Revolution as an example.

Enraged at the ruling, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors voted to seek a law to make it illegal to refuse a

One supervisor said the rulcomplish nothing but to warm fare and made people who work

> But Syrek didn't object to rights.

Profiteers Prosper

Wages and salaries increased by 8 per cent in 1959, according to Department of Commerce figures. But during the same period, corporation profits after taxes increased by 25 per cent.

Fights for Equal Air Time

ager of the Dobbs-Weiss cam- restrictions on equal time. paign, this week repeated his call for united action by all spiracy by the major parties and court.

"This denial of equal TV growing strangulation of democracy in this country," he declar-"The new law rushed through Congress and the discriminatory interpretations by Commission would prevent al-

"Although presented as a temporary measure, the revised law threatens to set up a permanent monopoly of the air waves by the Republicans and Democrats. They want to make it as difficult for minority views to be broadcast as it is for minority parties to get a place on the ballot in most states. Every political organization apart from the Republicans and Democrats should have the same interest -and share the same concern -in removing this gag upon free speech as the dominant

parties have in imposing it." Hansen proposed that representatives of all parties that only by the public ownership have been refused equal time, including the Liberal and the Socialist Labor parties, should Because of insurmountable confer on the best ways to unestrictions upon minority par- dertake a legal fight to protect contacting the broadcasting

Further evidence of the com-

minority parties against the the broadcasting companies to Democratic-Republican effort to monopolize free time in the monopolize free national air 1960 campaign was presented Sept. 11 by the Liberal party of New York. Ben Davidson, the ime to the minority parties is party's executive director, proanother ominous sign of the tested to the Federal Communications Commission that it had been refused equal time with the Republicans and Democrats to broadcast the nominating speech of its presidential candidate. The Liberal party is endorsing the Democratic nominee, John F. Kennedy.

> Davidson said that its request had been turned down by two big networks, WCBS and WNBC, and ignored by two local stations.

He termed the refusals "a violation of the fairness provision of revised Section 315 of the Federal Communications Act." Pointing out that the Liberal

dominant parties" in the state, refusal in time for its candidate's nominating speech Sept.

The rejection of the Liberal party's request follows a similar refusal by the networks to accord equal time to the Socialist Workers party and other minority parties. The SWP has twice appealed this action to the Federal Communications Commission.

The FCC informed the SWP

Joseph Hansen, national man- | certed effort" to get rid of the | rulings under the old law or the | to the voters on an equal basis. new statute, the SWP will take They prevent the voters from the case to the U.S. District hearing all sides of the vital is-

right to present their program to the public interest.

sues in the campaign. They give The suspension of equal time the capitalist candidates excluby Congress, and the interpre- sive possession of free time on tations made to date by the communication facilities which, FCC, are unconstitutional and although privately owned, are undemocratic. They deprive le- publicly franchised and supposgally qualified parties of their ed to be operated with regard

Banks Hails British Airlift To Feed Southern Babies

The Socialist Workers candidate ger for these starving babies. for Congress in the 23rd District was commenting on the action of 15 London City Councilwomen in response to the plea of the Urban League for urgently needed aid to the 23,000 Louisiparty was one of the "three ana children, most of them Negro, who have been savagely he asked the FCC to act on this victimized by a new state law denying relief to parents of "illegitimate" children.

> The brutal law was pushed through by Gov. Davis as an act of revenge against Negroes

fighting for their civil rights. "The Urban League reports that hundreds of families are coming to them every day seeking food for their children," Banks said. "I hope everyone will respond to the plea for help by sending food and clothing to attorneys Sept. 13 that it was Operation Feed the Babies, Jackson Ave., New Orleans.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 15 - | their airlift, 'Shame Gov. Davis' The London airlift of food for could just as well have called it starving children in New Or-leans is a wonderful thing," Both of these influential politi-Erroll Banks said here today, cians have refused to lift a fin-



ERROLL BANKS

CUBA - Anatomy of a Revolution, by Leo Huberman and Paul M. Sweezy. Monthly Review Press, 66 Barrow St., New York 14, N.Y. 1960. 176 pp. \$3.50.

Last March the two editors of the Monthly Review went to Cuba to take a look at the Revolution which had been in power for 15 months. Up until then they had not ventured to express an opinion about the new government. What they saw profoundly impressed In fact, like everyone who visits the with an open mind, they were exhilarated. They came back, as this report eloquently testifies, glowing over what the first stage of the Latin-American Revolution has revealed in the way of new perspectives and fresh hope for the cause of socialism.

The book is divided into three sections. The first, "Background of the Revolution," offers in a few pages some of the most striking figures concerning the poverty of the people in a rich tropical land under American domination. Despite the sketchiness of the material, sufficient is presented to make understandable the powerful economic drives underlying the struggle against Batista's dictatorship.

The second section, "Making the Revolution," picks out the highlights of the struggle for power led by the July 26 Movement. To indicate the quality of this leadership, the authors wisely chose extensive quotations from the speech Fidel Castro made in court Oct. 16, 1953, when he was on trial for the attempted seizure of Fort Moncada. Castro's speeches are important as the declarations of a revolutionary leader. They also happen to be unusually revelatory of the man.

The third section, "The Revolution in Power," is the most important and most interesting part of the book. The authors attempt to think through some difficult problems which the Cuban Revolution offers to Marxist theory. Whether one agrees or disagrees with the answers they propose, their effort at independent thought is certainly refreshing and to be commended in these days when we still live under the pall of Stalinist stultification of

Huberman and Sweezy hold that the Cuban peasantry constituted the vanguard of the Revolution, shaping the outlook of the rebel leadership as it organized the revolutionary army that won power. Consequently, the new regime is "peasant" in character. The authors qualify their characterization, however, by an important consideration: "The typical Cuban agriculturalist . . . is not a peasant in the usual European sense of the term but rather a landless proletarian. . . .

On the basis of the accomplishments and trend of the Revolution, the authors are of the strong opinion that Cuban society is no longer capitalist. "For our part, we have no hesitation in answering: the new Cuba is a socialist Cuba." (Emphasis in original.)

Since the July 26 Movement has at no time espoused socialism, its leaders in fact proclaiming themselves to be "humanists," Huberman and Sweezy are forced to conclude that a socialist revolution was accomplished without either a socialist or communist leadership: "this is the first time - ever, anywhere - that a genuine socialist revolution has been made by non-Communists!" (Emphasis in original.) They

received \$50,000 a day from the

This easing of financial strain

upon the railroads can enable

them to hold out against the de-

strikers are forced into submis-

The New Haven offers the

most shocking example of how

Chicago

Detroit

St. Louis

New York

Twin Cities

Los Angeles

San Francisco

Berkeley-Oakland

Milwaukee

San Diego

Allentown

Cleveland

Connecticut

Philadelphia

Total through

September 13

Pittsburgh

Newark

Boston

Denver

Seattle

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fund.

add that "No one can now foretell the full im plications of this startling fact, but no one need doubt that it will open up new vistas not only in the realm of social thought but also in the realm of revolutionary action.'

The weak point in this analysis is the term "socialist." Unfortunately, Huberman and Sweezy do not specify what meaning they ascribe to it. As used in a strict scientific sense by theoreticians like Marx and Lenin, socialism has not yet been achieved anywhere. Even a country like the Soviet Union represents no more than a transitional stage on the road to a free, classless society.

I would agree that a strong tendency toward socialism is evident in the Cuban Revolution, but not that Cuba has already become socialist. However the analysis offered by Huberman and Sweezy deserves more adequate treatment than is possible in the space at my disposal. I hope to return to the subject in a coming issue of the International Socialist Re-

The leadership of the American Communist party also disagree with the characterization Cuba offered by Huberman and Sweezy, although from a point of view that would deny that Cuba has transcended capitalism in any

In a review of the book in the Aug. 21 Worker. Daniel Mason maintains that no more than a "national revolution" has occurred. To characterize Cuba as "socialist" is taken by Mason as some kind of underhanded attack on tional revolution for indethe Communist party and even on Castro! "The two authors," says Mason, "are so eager to up with the socialist revolution. dissociate the Cuban revolution from Communism that they make Castro and his coworkers out to be idiots. . . .

Mason's displeasure with the book becomes comical when he lectures the authors because they refer to the opinions of Theodore of the Iraqui Communist party. Draper and Douglas Gorsline but "fail even to An article in "Russie Sovieti- tism" of the Chinese, left unmention" the quickness with which the Worker que" June 10, 1960, criticises the named. Peking on the other recognized the significance of the Cuban Revolution and the promptness with which it sent its foreign editor to Cuba — after the July 26 Movement had won power.

The opinion of Huberman and Sweezy said, "However, whilst mobilizthat the Cuban Communists "would make no ing the masses to lead the bourgreater mistake, now or in the foreseeable future, than to challenge Fidel and his close associates for leadership" is taken by Mason to with various layers of the popube a "grotesque attack on Cuban Communists."

Naturally his indignation over the attack is such that he cannot refrain from resorting to Stalinist language: ". . . Huberman and Sweezy inexcusably set up a straw figure Communist Party of Cuba, the only objective result of which is to slander and degrade the real Communist Party of Cuba, the Popular So-

The truth is that Huberman and Sweezy seek to avoid offending the Communist party. For example, they do not even mention the support the Communist party gave Batista, including accepting posts in the dictator's cabinet, Yet this would seem to be an essential part of the explanation for the fact - of historic significance! - that the July 26 Movement and not the Communist party led the Cuban Revolution to its success over the bloody satrap of American imperialism.

-Joseph Hansen

Why Peking Continues to Debate Moscow

By Murry Weiss

Although the mutual interests of the two regimes operate continuously to counteract an open break in the manner of the 1948 Yugoslav-Cominform affair. signs of widening divergences between Peking and Moscow continue to accumulate.

An article in Pravda Aug. 26 by Soviet Far Eastern specialist, Prof. Y. M. Zhukov, brings into the area of debate the basic question of the relation of workers' parties to the national bourgeoisie in colonial countries. Heretofore this question has figured in the general dispute only by inference.

For example, Peking has vigorously sided with the Algerian revolutionary forces and warned them not to fall into the traps set by De Gaulle's proposals for a settlement. Moscow, on the contrary, has hailed De Gaulle's policy which would maintain the domination of imperialism and capitalism over Algeria while granting a degree of formal independence.

Prof. Zhukov denounced 'dogmatists and sectarians" (the label Moscow has pinned on Peking) those who see the napendence as inextricably bound

Case of Iraqi CP

An even more striking, ex- sive." Iraqui CP for "leftism" because geois democratic revolution to its end and reinforcing its ties the colonial bourgeoisie. lation and the national bourgeoisie, the Party demanded, in the Spring of 1959, to participate in the government. This demand was rejected." The article reports approvingly, "The Plenary Session of the Iraqian Communist party firmly criticized this as a leftist step." The fact is that Moscow

rudely intervened to depose the entire leadership of the Iraqi CP, not for daring to raise the banner of socialist revolution, but merely for following the traditional Menshevik and reformist policy of trying to enter bourgeois governments rather letarian revolution

A more recent example of The boss is not only asking the coexistence" leads to a sharp workers to take a wage cut but, clash of policies in the colonial adding insult to injury, wants revolutionary struggle is evithem to pay for breaking any dent in the Congo question. The strike of their fellow workers. Chinese CP press Aug. 22 de-The Brotherhood of Railroad nounced the UN Security Coun-Trainmen has refused to be a cil's sending troops to the Congo as a cover for imperialist inter-Last week the Brotherhood of vention. At the same time any Railroad Trainmen launched a mention of the fact that the Soviet delegate on the Security Council voted for sending the

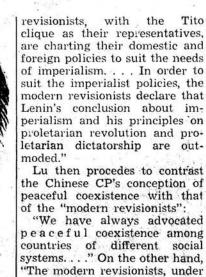
H-Bomb Conference

Another recent arena of the had conspired against it. If suc- Peking-Moscow conflict was the cessful, the union is expected to Sixth World Conference Against file a similar suit in regard to the A-and H-Bombs held in Tokyo Aug. 2-9. In a special The union contends that the report to the National Guard-Long Island railroad and other ian, Aug. 29, John G. Roberts worker who added his name to members of the Association of attributes the more militant the petition. "I like the civil American Railroads violated the position of the conference, com- rights part. This isn't any of Interstate Commerce Act by en- pared to last year's meeting at that later, later gradualism tering into an agreement to pool | Hiroshima, to the role played | stuff. You say full equality right assets without obtaining ICC by the large Chinese delegation. now, and that's when we want "Opposing the Chinese, who it!" were apparently supported by the Japanese peace leaders," from capitalist nations, parthe militant Chinese position would have an adverse effect except in socialist and colonial the danger of nuclear war. The Soviet delegates maintained a rather neutral position."

Obviously the "neutrality" of the Soviet delegation in this situation indicated its displeasure with the Chinese position. At the same time, characteristic of the conduct of the entire dispute, any open clash is deliberately avoided. Additional signs of growing

tension in Peking-Moscow relations are indicated by a report to the British weekly, New Statesman, from a correspondent in the Soviet Union who writes: "Another factor in the present tense state of public feeling [in the Soviet Union] is provided by reports being brought back from China by Russian students. Their return was massve, totally unexpected and as bewildering to Russians

congress of orientalists ir Moscow . . . and, for no explained caucus meeting of the Farmer Send \$1 for a 100.



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tive coexistence,' are trying to

confuse the masses with bour

critical ideas of bourgeois 'hu-

manism,' using individualism to

oppose collectivism and the

bourgeois 'theory of human

nature' to oppose the Marxist-

Leninist theory of class struggle

proletarian revolution and pro

The speech concludes with a

appeal to "unite closely to hold

aloft the Marxist-Leninist revo

lutionary banner of the Moscov

Declaration." This refers to the

declaration adopted at a meet-

ing of eleven Communist par

ties in Moscow in 1957 which

combined in one document the

divergent views of both Peking

and Moscow. Each claims the

Following the adoption of this

declaration, the strife between

the rival centers in the Soviet

bloc flared up around the pre

parations for the 1958 Summit

meeting at the United Nations.

The U.S. landing in Lebanon

blew up that meeting and Khru-

shchev went to Peking instead

the Moscow declaration of

"agreement," the hostility be-

tween the Khrushchev and Mao

regimes again became more

severe as moves were made to-

wards the next projected Sum-

mit meeting which blew up in

Spirit of Camp David

September 1959, Khrushchev

stepped up his peaceful coexist-

with the "Spirit of Camp

David." Ignoring the imperial-

ist blockade of China and other

Eisenhower's "genuine desire

Soviet Congress, Oct. 31, 1959,

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"Only the most belligerent

After his visit to the U.S. in

Paris, May 17, 1960.

declaration as a "banner."

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geois pacifism and the hypo-

Mao - Dogmatist?

reason, the magazine Friendship, published in Moscow and devoted to Sino-Soviet relations, appears to have suspended publication." Symptomatic of the Kremlin's

efforts to slow down the conflict and forestall an open break is a recent article in Pravda, reported by Victor Zorza in the Sept. 8 Manchester Guardian Weekly. The article condemns the Yugoslav attacks on the Chinese position. It denounces as an imperialist slander the charge that China is "aggres-' Assuming the manner of ample of the differences be- an "above the battle" arbiter, tween Peking and Moscow on Pravda criticizes both the "rethis question is seen in the case visionism" of the Yugoslavs, whom it names and the "dogmahand, frequently uses Tito as a t demanded to participate in handy whipping boy when it atthe bourgeois government of tacks the Moscow position on General Kassim! The article peaceful coexistence, the allegedly changed nature of imperialism, the "peaceful" road to power, and coalitions with of New York. Notwithstanding

While neither Moscow nor Peking names the other as its antagonist in the debate, everyone is aware of the identity of the disputants, except perhaps the press of the Communist parties which never reports Peking's views in the debate and studiously avoids mentioning that a debate is even taking place.

Lu Ting-yi's Speech

A sample of Peking's position, taken from a mass of similar statements, is found in the July 23 speech of Lu Ting-yi to the Chinese National Writers and than simply organizing support nate member of the Political for it. Peking, on the other Bureau of the Central Commit- for example, he said: hand, never criticized the Iraqi tee of the Chinese Communist CP and if anything appears to party and vice-premier of the Western politicians cannot make be critical of its failure to con- State Council. In greeting the up their minds to discard the duct the struggle for a pro- Congress in behalf of the Central Committee, Lu Ting-yi said: one still hears reverberations of

"U.S. imperialism is now the past. . . . At the present

George Rose.

For a time it appeared that it might be impossible to meet Iowa's requirement that presidential electors must be secured in eight different congressional districts, plus two at

However, many Iowans are Debs.

election.

Socialist Workers party campaigners were out in force at the Detroit Labor Day meeting in Cadillac Square. They distributed close to 10,000 leaflets and

The leaflets included "What Socialists Want." The Detroit campaigners did not tell us what reception this leaflet received, but the New York campaigners reported many favorable comments after their Labor Day

"I stopped in at a cafeteria where I usually have breakfast The counterman knows me. He's been in the labor and radical

"'I got your leaflet at the

Which reminds me. Have you



Khrushchev — Revisionist? able understanding . . . is gain-

ing ascendancy in the West.. capitalist states . . . recognized our Soviet state and then the majority of other socialist countries even though the capitalist ruling circles are opponents of socialism. They have diplomatic relations with socialist countries, they negotiate with them, they take part together and discuss problems with them in the United Nations. . . . Many promwith the President at their head, understand these (peace) sentiments of the American people, are alarmed by the situation which has arisen as a result of the arms race and the to strengthen peace."

provoked the sharpest reaction in Peking, where it must have sounded like a gallows joke. The Chinese fired one broadside after another against Khrushchev's position. Washington's peace talk was dismissed as so much camouflage for its war drive and all the stepped-up war moves of the U.S. were cited as evidence. Red Flag, organ of the CCP Central Committee, declared: "It is clear that Eisenhower and his kind will never lay down their butcher.'s knives. U.S. imperialism being what it is will certainly not abandon its policy of war.' Superficially considered, it

would seem that the Summit collapse last May should have provided the basis for healing the breach between Mao and Khrushchev. The intolerably ence campaign, now saturated provocative position of the State Department around the U-2 incident, not to speak of the obvious refusal of the West hard facts, Khrushchev extolled to grant a single basic concession to the Soviet Union in the Artists Congress. Lu is an alter- for peace." At the Supreme negotiations preceding Paris, transmit such weapons or inhad doomed the conference to formation necessary for their view. Khrushchev was forced not possess such weapons. At to walk out.

The manner of his walk out, however, - the strong words and the loud slamming of the door - was calculated to impress Peking as much as Washington, Also, since the entire Soviet orbit had been listening apprehensively to the Peking-Moscow debate. Khrushchev tried to snatch the opportunity to show how tough he could be against the imperialists.

tics in Paris. Its difference with Khrushchev was not that he smiled too much in his negoand what he was giving away Moscow Declaration was reaf- port them in their struggle. firmed unanimously.

Imperialist Pressure

Now with Khrushchev's visit to the UN and his overtures for another Summit meeting, the cleavage between the Chinese CP leaders and the Kremlin appears to be wider than ever before. What holds the two regimes together is the hostile pressure of Western imperialism which is intent on restoring capitalism to the entire So viet orbit.

The limitation of this factor is that the differences beween the two rival capitals of the Soviet orbit is precisely over how to meet the imperialist attack. An open break, of course, in the sense of an opening of the debate to the full participation of the Chinese and Soviet working masses and the world socialist movement would signify, not a weakening of the strength and he has in the past, to cast his unity of the Soviet bloc, but the weight against any pro-labor very opposite. It would mean legislation, even if he has to the unification of the power of the Soviet and Chinese working dent." class with the power of the rethe bureaucratic fear of the in-Republicans.

tervention of the masses into the dispute.

Nevertheless, leaders are compelled over and over again to wage the battle against the Kremlin's policywhatever the risks may be. What stands out unmistakably in this situation is the fact that the Chinese leaders do not trust the Kremlin. Why is that? Since both China and the Soviet Union are workers states engaged in building the foundations of a socialist society, why should there be mistrust between the two regimes? Can't the Soviet representatives who have established diplomatic relations with the capitalist countries be trusted to loyally represent the interests of the entire Soviet bloc?

No Confidence

For a long time the Trotskyists have refused to place any confidence in the Soviet bureaucracy. What is noteworthy now, however, is that the Chinese leaders, from their own point of view will not entrust the fate of China to the Kremlin diplomats. The Chinese, after all. inent United States leaders, have good reason to distrust Moscow. They know full well that the Chinese revolution would never have taken place if the Kremlin had had its way. They know that Stalin was ready to barter off the Chinese cold war, and want to find ways CP in a deal with British and American imperialism and di-This Khrushchevian wisdom rected them to restrict themselves to working for a coalition with Chiang Kai-shek. And they know, by the experience of Iraq for one, that this is still the policy of the Kremlin.

We must also recall that the Chinese had a bitter experience with the Kremlin in the Korean war. After being forced to enter the war to meet the threat of an American imperialist invasion, the Chinese were compelled to carry the full load of the war with only token assistance from the Soviet Union. Stallin's cynical calculation that the Chinese should not be allowed to become "too big" was spelled out in hundreds of thousands of casualties of Chinese workers and peasants. The cleavage between the Peking and Moscow regimes really became fixed at that time.

In his June 2 plan for disrmament, Khrushchev said: States possessing nuclear weapons shall undertake not to failure from Moscow's point of manufacture to states which do the same time, states which do not possess nuclear weapons shall undertake to refrain from manufacturing them.'

For the Chinese this plan means that they are to be consigned to the ject of agreement between the Great Atomic Powers who will be privileged to impose their decisions on the rest of humanity. This is intolerable to the Chinese leaders, and rightly There is no justification Peking, however, was not whatever from the viewpoint of quieted by Khrushchev's drama- socialist internationalism for the Soviet Union to refuse any military aid or know-how of any kind to the People's Retiations with the imperialists but public of China in its fight to that he gave away too much, defend itself from imperialism.

We Trotskyists have many was the vital interests of the disagreements with the Chinese defense of the Chinese revolu- CP leadership ranging over a tion. Instead of a rapprochment, number of important theoretical relations sharpened. At the and political questions. We have June 20-25 conference of the never concealed these differ-Rumanian Communist party in ences and we hope to expound Bucharest, attended by dele-them in further discussion. We gates from the Soviet, East Eu- must state categorically, howropean and Asian Communist ever, that as against the Kremparties, including the Chinese lin the position of the Chinese CP, a new round of contention leaders is far more Leninist and opened - even though the 1957 correct and we therefore sup-

What You

(Continued from Page 1). been one of the most cunning knifers of organized labor in Washington.

We have a public statement of his own record to prove that. "Throughout my public life," Johnson has boasted, "I have favored strong, effective regulatory legislation to protect Americans from improper labor practices, having voted for the Vinson Bill, the Smith-Connally Act, the Taft-Hartley Act, and, in the last two instances, having voted to override a Democratic president to make these measures

We can be sure that Johnson will continue in the future, as "override a Democratic presi-

The barrenness of the special volutionary movements against session was no accident. It gave imperialism and capitalism a preview of how little the peothroughout the world. Neither ple can expect to get if either Peking nor Moscow are ready of the two capitalist parties to take this course. For all the win the election. The Demodifferences between the regime cratic party will give nothing in China and that in the Soviet more to the Negro people and got extra ones to pass around? Union, they share in common the labor movement than the

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mands of the workers until Then on Sept. 9 the New Haven management asked its defer ten per cent of their wages

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sylvania's lockout fund.

12,000 unionized employees to party to this shameful proposal.

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this plan operates against the for the next six months. This Socialist Fund Scoreboard

(Continued from Page 1) workers' interests. This run- | would be an interest-free loan how the Peking-Moscow debate carrying out this policy left be- time a more sober evaluation of major legal battle against the strike-insurance plan. The brotherhood sued the railroads troops is avoided. for more than \$10,000,000 in damages on charges that they

the Pennsylvania strike, approval and violated the Federal Anti-Trusts Acts by forming an "illegal and secret conspiracy" against the union. The Roberts said,

"in every respect to the law and the public interest." It certainly doesn't conform to any interest of labor. The strike insurance scheme is fast developing into a major menace to U.S. unionism as it spreads from one industry to another. Some 400 daily newspapers now have

railroads maintain that their

strike insurance plan conforms

a "suspension insurance" plan which has been effectively used against striking workers in Portland, Oregon. The airlines have organized one. During the last steel negotiations the steel barons were considering forming such a fund in case the union struck one corporation at a time instead of shutting down the whole industry.

Such plans mobilize the finan cial resources of the wealthy corporations throughout an industry against workers who in many cases get scant strike benefits and no unemployment compensation. They constitute one of the most powerful of strikebreaking weapons.

It seems clear that organized labor will have to go much further than the legal move taken by the Brotherhood of Railroad cotted the recent international dent. Trainmen in order to get rid of this new threat to unionism.

the situation, a more reason of "peaceful . Campaigning for Socialism (Continued from Page 1) must be met within six weeks. The New York campaigners made.

noted an increased willingness to listen to socialist ideas. "The lesser of two evils theory has been stretched paper thin with the Kennedy-Nixon choice," said one petitoner. "People keep saying,

choice there!' That feeling sure helped us get signatures." A heartening neaction in the Negro community to the SWP election platform was that of a

'What's the difference? No

The Cuban revolution was another much discussed topic. "were delegates Feelings are high on both sides of the fence in the Spanishticularly France. They felt that speaking neighborhoods. A Puerto Rican observed: "When the paper started getting so mad at Castro I figured.he must countries, and might increase be doing good things for the

poor people. Little red-baiting was encountered. In one small upstate town the local radio station continually announced the presence of petitioners in warning ones. The people still signed.

Many people who helped gather signatures for the Independent - Socialist ticket that ran John McManus of the National Guardian for governor and Corliss Lamont for senator two years ago joined in the petition work. They housed petitioners up-

state and contributed financially in the belief that New York voters deserve an opportunity in 1960 to cast a meaningful ballot.

Iowa Secretary of State Melvin Synhorst announced Sept. 7 that the Farmer Labor party as a mass exodus of British citi- had qualified in that state for zens from the U.S. would be. the ballot with a ticket of Far-.. Chinese students are leaving rell Dobbs for president and I the USSR. The Chinese boy- Myra T. Weiss for vice-presi-

The certification followed a

Labor party in Mason City a which the nominations were

The executive committee of the new party consists of George H. Wharam, Chairman; Alec Kringlack, Secretary and

thoroughly fed up with both the Democrats and Republicans. They think it's high time for a genuine opposition party to be placed on the ballot. In addition those who believe in socialism are convinced that the time is nearing for a revival of the great movement like that led by

The result was formation of the new party and the announcement by ten electors that they would vote for Dobbs and Weiss if the Iowa voters decided to send them to the electoral college after the November 8

sold around 100 Militants.

distribution. Here is one:

movement for thirty years.

parade,' he told me. 'It was wonderful. It was so simple and beautiful. It did my heart good. got extra ones and passed them around.

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That K-J Pill

Despite the AFL-CIO endorsement, the ranks, and even some of the leaders, of the unions find it hard to swallow the Kennedy-Johnson pill. At the executive council meeting itself A. Philip Randolph, president of the Sleeping Car Porters and also chairman of the Negro-American Labor Council, cast a dissenting vote. He rightly said there isn't enough difference between Kennedy and Nixon to justify supporting either candidate and what labor needs is to form its own political

In Detroit the anti-administration National Committee for Democratic Action in the UAW urged the union not to endorse any candidate who fails to commit himself to the 30-hour week, federal FEPC laws, peace with disarmament. This would certainly rule out Kennedy or Nixon. Only Dobbs and Weiss, Socialist Workers party candidates, could fulfill these require-

Last week A. J. Hayes, president of the International Association of Machinists, told the 1,500 delegates at the union's quadrennial convention in St. Louis that both Democrats and Republicans were failing "to serve the majority of our people."

"We of organized labor are far too often given only the choice of the lesser of two evils," he said. "How can any intelligent person find a justifiable compromise between the diametrically opposed views of the Southern reactionaries and the Northern liberals in the Democratic party?" he asked. "How is it possible for a Goldwater and a Jenner to be members of the same political party as an Ives and a Javits?

"It is rather significant," he told the applauding delegates, "that the Canadian

labor movement has already decided to solve its problems through the formation

"In the United States," he went on, "such formation of a third political party has not yet been seriously considered, but if the two major parties in our country continue to fail to serve the majority of our people it may well come to pass that we too one day will have a third political

Although he is a vice president, Hayes didn't attend the AFL-CIO executive board meeting at Washington that endorsed Kennedy. His union's executive council didn't recommend support of any candidate, even though Kennedy addressed the delegates.

. The machinists' head went no fur-

He is only talking about the officials when he says that "a third political party such an announcement with cheers; it's the

courage and vision to oppose Meany's and Reuther's suicidal political policies and come out squarely for a labor party in this country. By doing so, they would perform as signal a service to labor progress in the 1960's as John L. Lewis and his associates did in the 1930's when, despite William to go ahead and organize the mass produc-

Nuclear Weapons for Germany?

The direct cost of World War II to the U.S. taxpayers was \$330,500,000,000. Total American casualties amounted to 977,991. This fearful sacrifice in lives and wealth was necessary, we were told, to "forever destroy the menace of German and Japanese militarism." After their defeat, Germany and Japan were disarmed and prohibited from "ever again" reconstituting themselves as military powers.

global military designs of the Pentagon strategists include an increasingly bigger role for the former enemy governmentsnow pictured as staunchest allies. Japan is to serve as a munitions base and jumping-off base against the Sino-Soviet bloc in the Far East. That is why washington saddled Japan with a new treaty, in violation of the Japanese constitution, that aims to step up these war preparations despite such resistance from the Japanese people that Eisenhower was kept from visiting that country.

As for Germany, militarism has been growing by leaps and bounds under Pentagon guidance. Today the Bundeswehr is the strongest force in the NATO alliance, especially since France's army is tied up in Algeria and de Gaulle refuses to commit his air force to an integrated NATO com-

The U.S. press has been focussing attention on new developments in the Berlin crisis involving Moscow. But it has given no prominence to certain other developments in the German situation which have evoked shudders of apprehension, not only in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, but also in England.

The German General Staff, it is reported, has demanded and is taking the necessary steps to acquire nuclear weapons. Friedrick Ruge, former vice-admiral

Should Have

Robert Lee Shirley, 25, was on vacation from his job in a Veteran's Hospital at Long Beach, Calif. On Sept. 2 he was travelling by car with his mother, his girl friend, his three sisters and a nephew from Gainesville, Ga., to Norfolk, Va.

En route near Gaffney, South Carolina, he stopped to ask a group of white men. outside a motor court for highway directions. After some words, one of the men shot Shirley in the stomach. He wrested the gun from his assailant and the men dispersed.

The local sheriff insisted the shooting was "just one of those things that hap-There wasn't any racial angle about it."

His office said: "We're pretty sure we know who the men are. But they have legs and we haven't caught up with them. We're working on the case day and night."

The governor called the shooting "a wanton act." He said such happenings "will not be tolerated in South Carolina" and promised prosecution "to the full ex-

btent of the law." The incident reminded us that on

of a new political party."

ther than blowing off steam against the two capitalist parties. He alluded to the action of the Canadian unions in setting up unionists below the border to take a similar progressive step.

has not yet been seriously considered" here. The ranks of the unions would greet leaders who bar the way.

Too bad Hayes and others who think like him in AFL-CIO circles haven't the Green, Woll and Hutcheson, they resolved tion workers into industrial unions.

of the Nazi Kriegsmarine, is now acting inspector-general of West Germany's armed forces. In August he signed a memor-

the Bundeswehr to tell political leaders disclosed that the government clearly and in time what tools it needs to had saved nearly \$2 million on thing that will help is a batch carry out its duties." These "tools" are nuclear weapons and the German General Staff wants them third to one-fifth of the prices under its own control. Subordinates say Herr Strauss, the West German Defense Today all that has been reversed. The Minister, has "fully endorsed the position

> taken." Since then it has been revealed that 1957 the armed forces had paid West Germany is going ahead and building 11 cents a pill for teracycline, an its own rocket sites which can be used for bid submitted was 17 cents a this country? There are few firing missiles with nuclear warheads.

Herr Merten, a leading Social Democrat, has denounced the whole action as 8.15 cents. "a massive intrusion by the generals into politics - the kind of intrusion that wrecked the Weimar Republic and helped the Nazis to power." It is all that — and much

The nuclear armament of West Germany is a dangerous threat to world peace and a further obstacle to the establishment of friendly relations with the Soviet bloc, which has every reason to fear the growing strength and arrogance of the German militarists.

This stealthy, step-by-step build-up of West Germany's armed force and its equipment with nuclear rockets and missiles is proceeding with the tacit consent of the U.S. commanders of NATO. It is a logical consequence of the bipartisan for- working to "strangle" Congolese eign policy upheld by Kennedy and Nix- independence and promote the on. This resurgence of German militarism designs of the Belgian and other under U.S. patronage provides another imperialists in the civil war urgent reason why all those who oppose the cold war should give no political support to any proponents of this murderous voted for UN troops to enter the

Gone to Cuba

Sept. 3 the State Department warned Americans about traveling in Cuba. A Congo, the Yugoslav delegate principal hazard American tourists should took issue with him. He asserted Congo, one appointed by Luwatch out for, according to this warning, that the real source of the difis use of "cameras" in "restricted" areas. A tourist "in trouble" might be "detained briefly by the police. . . .'

This propaganda is part of a coldly Katanga Premier Tshombe as diplomatic conflict over the calculated campaign to stop Americans from visiting Cuba.

The fact is that Cuba is far safer for tourists than the United States. For example, no tourist ever got shot in the stomach for asking directions in Cuba.

If Shirley had spent his vacation in Cuba he would have found a land where UN helped instead of underminrace prejudice is virtually nonexistent and ing Premier Lumumba, order where tourists of all colors are given the could be quickly restored in the in Asia, Africa and elsewhere. most royal welcome.

Perhaps in their next campaign speeches on the "menace" of Cuba and the virtues of American democracy under Dixiecrat rule, Senator Kennedy and Vice- of its interference in the domes-President Nixon could be induced to discuss what Shirley's experience shows about the relative safety of a tour in Cuba troops unless Lumumba was and a tour in the South.

When Violence First Flared in Congo



Police jeep was overturned and set on fire during demonstrations in Leopoldville last January in which Congolese demanded an end to Belgian rule. During the demonstrations police and paratroopers killed 89 Negroes and wounded 100 others. When the Congolese achieved independence eleven weeks ago, they expected to be rid of all imperialist interference in their country. Instead, the Congo has become the scene of a free-for-all scramble for advantage by contending imperialist forces behind UN intervention. (See story page 1.)

action of the Canadian unions in setting up a labor party without urging their fellow unionists below the border to take a sim-But Sugar for the Drug Firms

By Harry Ring

to spending the taxpayers' dollars-provided the money flows into the coffers of private business. Companies selling their products to federal agencies usually charge all the traffic will bear and it's a rare day when anybody in government puts up a squawk.

So when you learn that the armed forces have been buying drugs in Europe instead of here you can safely assume that the local "ethical" drug firms have really been pushing their prices out into the wild blue yonder.

Testifying before Senator Kevauver's Antitrust and Monopoly subcommittee Sept. 8, Rear Admiral William Knickerbocker, chief of the armed andum which stated that "It is the task of forces drug purchasing agency, five drug purchases abroad. The costs of antibiotics and tranquilizers in Europe were onequoted to the agency by U.S. firms. The admiral charged collusion between major U.S. drug

houses in setting prices. He told the senators that in pill. He said the identical pill countries in the twentieth-cen-

A spokesman for the Lederele drug company replied that the Italian firms were "pirates."

The admiral's charge of pricefixing collusion was borne out primarily on private medical by committee data. The retail

has been 50 cents a pill for the major parties has been willing being tight-fisted when it comes druggists rang up sales of \$400,-000,000 on antibiotics alone.

> The figures indicate why pub icists have baptized the antibiotics as "wonder" drugs. The corner druggist pays around 30 cents for a pill that the manufacturer was willing to sell to the government at a "cut-rate" price of 17 cents - double the Italian price.

One company, Bristol Lab-oratories, piled up a 310% profit in three months in 1956 selling pills to the government at 17 cents, the Senate committee disclosed.

Pretty raw, isn't it? But only one-third as raw as the deal the average American citizen gets when someone in the family comes down with a virus and the doctor says that the only of the antibiotic pills at 50 cents a gulp.

The American people are hit hard by this swindle. Half the families in this country pay four per cent of their annual income in medical bills. And last year, for the first time, they paid one dollar for medicine for every dollar they paid the doctor.

Isn't this reason enough to tury world so backward that health needs of the people to with Nationalist China and esprivate profiteers. The United the People's Republic of China. States is the only remaining major country that still depends

price of all leading antibiotics Yet no one in either of the

Showdown Looms in the UN

(Continued from Page 1) countries which supported its original intervention. These include Yugoslavia, the United Arab Republic, Guinea, Ghana, Ceylon and Indonesia.

The Soviet government has charged that the UN forces are from its mission there." there. The Kremlin stands in an equivocal position on the matter since the Soviet delegate Congo and has not yet demanded their withdrawal.

At the Security Council meeting Sept. 10, when UN Secretary General Hammarskjold defended the UN actions in the the instrument.

He declared that Hammarskjold had assisted this plot "intolerable" measures. with This referred to the UN closing down of the airfields and the broadcasting station in the capital of Leopoldville. The Yugoslav spokesman said that if the Congo.

It was reported from Leopoldville that Guinea had threatened to pull out its forces from the UN contingent because tic affairs of the Congo. On high with arched windows, brick Sept. 13 Premier Nkhrumah spoke of withdrawing Ghana's given a free hand. He sent a Cost: \$100.

special mission to confer with

the deposed Congolese Premier. Arab Republic that its troops because the UN had "deviated

Ceylon asserted that it recognizes only Lumumba's regime as the lawfully constituted authority in the Congo. Lumumba has been at odds with President Joseph Kasavubu who has tried to oust him from the premier-

Kasavubu has been supported together with other leaders who are opposing a single centralized state for the Congo.

Two delegations from the mumba and the other by Kasaficulties in the Congo was a plot vubu, have arrived in New by Belgium and other countries York to present their cases in members, unanimously adopted to snatch away Congo's freedom the UN Security Council which a motion Sept. 8 calling for the Marxists in India and reimpose colonialism, using has been the central forum of the extension of the nationalization Katanga Premier Tshombe as diplomatic conflict over the of industry and a campaign to Congo.

> The Congolese people have seen the UN act as a stalking horse to salvage imperialist influence in their country. They do not want to be cheated of the fruits of their struggle for independence; and their determination to fight for their freedom is meeting increasing sympathy and support from nations

Dog's Life A new doghouse has been put

on the market. It is three feet chimney, hanging flower pots and wrought-iron door knocker.

last nine years, despite lowered to buck the American Medical Nobody has ever accused the production costs and vastly in- Association and drug monopo-United States government of creased sales. Last year retail lies on this vital issue. They even joined together to kill the Forand bill which would have provided some medical care for ome of the old people. The clear-cut stand of the

Socialist Workers party in favor of socialized medicine is one more good reason why it deserves your support and vote in this election. If you're not convinced, re-

nember this one fact the next time you're taking a prescription to the druggist. Under the socialized medicine plan in Great Britain every prescription, regardless of what drug it calls for, costs only 14 cents.

Lucky Break

Bogus check charges were dismissed against Daniel Lee Beaver, an Arizona farm hand, not read or write.

inflicting unusual punishments on juvenile offenders. He has been giving them sentences of dividual's rights in court. 45 days in solitary confinement on a diet of bread and water and vitamin pills. The victims are allowed no visitors except a

weekly bulletin of the American

the United States today:

Cruel and Unusual?

Since September 1959 Judge

Magnotta of Michigan has been

Civil Liberties Union (Sept. 5), copies. Some 25,000 were

material. The judge declared: "It is high time that we attempt to institute new ideas in punish-

doctor, clergyman or attorney

and no reading except religious

The ACLU contends that his new ideas constitute cruel and unusual punishment, which is prohibited both by the federal and Michigan constitutions.

However, state court decisions Eighth Amendment applies only to the federal government and not the state. Another has said that the prohibition against cruel and unusual punishment applies only to criminal cases.

The state Supreme Court has refused to censure the judge for violating Michigan statutes dealing with proper food for prisoners.

Two of the boys who served their sentences of bread and water in solitary for a month and a half were back before the same judge within two weeks of their release. One, who stole an automobile after his release, received an unusually severe sentence to state prison.

Odd Best-Seller

A booklet describing the attorney general in cooperation might be peacefully collecting with the Civil Liberties Union trash. . . . Virginia, fair state, when it was established he could of Massachusetts and the Bos- mother of presidents . . . have ton Bar Association.

The American Way of Life The following three items, | Learning of the pamphlet taken from a single issue of the from news stories, thousands of

individuals' asked for single

indicate the state of freedom in quickly distributed and a second printing of equal size has been ordered. Entitled "If You Are Arrested," the booklet relates under what circumstances a person may be arrested, his and the officers' rights in a police station, and an in-

Telepathy Victim

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll V. Jackson and their two young daughters were murdered in early 1959. A hospital psychiatrist offered police the counsel of a Dutch mental telepathist to help clear up the unsolved case.

After visiting the graves where the bodies were discovered, the telepathist recommended that police check their files for a man who worked 'with either junk or garbage."

They went to the home of a 34-year-old trash collector. After his wife agreed to sign a commitment petition, a midnight lunacy hearing was conducted before a commission composed of a judge, a jail physician, and the hospital psychiatrist. At 3:15 a.m., they ordered his commitment to a mental institution.

The suspect's family has retained a lawver to seek his release and the ACLU has asked the Justice Department to investigate the violation of the trash collector's civil rights.

Soon after his confinement, the FBI arrested a former Washington, D. C., musician in Tennessee and accused him of killing Mrs. Jackson and one of the children.

A week before this development the Washington Daily News commented: "We are suprights of individuals, police and posed to believe that the courts when arrests are made (sanity) commission's verdict is has become a runaway "best- based on a fair examination of seller" in Massachusetts and the 'suspect's' mental condition. aroused intense interest in many Nevertheless, skeptics might parts of the nation. The booklet presume that without the interwas issued by the Massachusetts vention of occultism, this man you flipped your wig?"

In Other Lands

Cuba Recognizes Chinese Govt.

Chiang's Bank Is Taken Over

On Sept. 3 Premier Castro ence next month. told a rally of hundreds of thousands of Cubans that his governthey are willing to permit the ment was breaking off relations

our relations with the regime of Chiang Kai-shek," he proclaimed to the cheering crowd. Cuba is the first nation in the

Americas to recognize the People's Republic of China. This breakthrough in the diplomatic poycott of Peking enforced by Washington is a new highwater mark in the anti-imperialist struggle in the Western straddled the issue by voting His ultimatum followed the hemisphere. It links the efforts announcement by the United of the Cubans to maintain their tion and the Labor policy statesovereignty and recast their sowould be taken out immediately cial structure more directly with the revolutionary nations of Asia which have thrown off both foreign domination and

capitalism. Two days after recognizing China, the Cuban government took over the \$10,000,000 Bank of China branch in Havana. Chiang Kai-shek's government is a major stockholder of the

by Belgium against Lumumba British Trade Unions Reaffirm Belief In Socialist Goal

The British Trades Union Congress, representing 184 un- of the ex-German armed ions and more than 8,000,000 explain the "moral and material benefits" of socialism.

ocratic control of those sections the well-being of the country.'

This action was an unmistakable rejection of the position put forward by the right wing of the Labor party which, under the guidance of party leader Hugh Gaitskell, had been campaigning against the extension, and even the basic principle, of public ownership since Labor's defeat in last October's general elections.

necessity of nationalization as tasks in this era.

party when it meets in confer- the requirements of the Indian

clear disarmament by Britain. resolution rejecting any deof the use of nuclear weapons. Immediately after they approved a statement that accepted a military program based

their use, even by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. This contradictory stand was made possible by the Amalgamated Engineering Union which for both the antinuclear resolu-

ment.

3,213,000 for the antinuclear motion displayed the real sentiment for unilateral disarmament. A similar motion presented at last year's Congress by the chief union spokesman for nuclear disarmament, Frank Cousins of the Transport and General Workers Union, lost by

In the debate this year Cousins criticized the existence of U.S. bomber bases in Britain the transformation of NATO from a defensive into an "aggressive body with officers

The all-India conference of penefits" of socialism. the Revolutionary Communist party of India concluded its sixaffirmed the trade-union move- day session on June 31 at Howment's "belief in the principle rath with the election of a 19of common ownership and dem- member Central Committee. This conference crowned a of industry which are vital to merger between two parties: the Revolutionary Communist party and the Revolutionary Workers party.

This was a big step in bringng together all the scattered forces of Marxism in India under the banner of a single organization.

The main political report adopted by the conference emphasized that the prevention of the outbreak of war and the liberation of the colonies were the

the basis for socialism by the | The national part of the retrade unions sets the stage for port declared that the two fivea similar stand by the Labor year plans had failed to meet people. The present rate of The Trades Union Congress economic development in Intook a more ambiguous position dia compares unfavorably even on the issue of unilateral nu- with such backward countries as Pakistan and Thailand. The be dictated by price-gouging tablishing diplomatic ties with The delegates first voted for a lack of resources for bigger plans merely hides the reaction-"From this moment we end fense policy based on the threat ary refusal of the Nehru government to touch the vested interests of landlords, moneylenders

and capitalists. A new correlation of class on U.S. nuclear weapons and forces, headed by a workers' and peasants' government, is required to reorganize society and undertake the drastic reforms which could tap India's vast potential resources and finance much bigger plans.

The agrarian relations report concludes that the conditions of the bulk of the peasantry are The vote of 4,356,000 against fast deteriorating. The policies of the Congress government have accelerated this process inment of the delegates and the stead of reversing it. The congrowing strength of the move- ference decided to organize the party's own central peasant organization and set forth the principal demands for the completion of the agrarian revolu-

> The report on the working class, which dealt with changes in the trade-union movement, asserted that the lack of a political perspective is handicapping the progress of labor. The conference demanded the unification of the divided central trade-union organizations and advocated industry-wide instead of factory-restricted unions.

> The resolution on the summit conference held U.S. imperialism solely responsible for its breakdown. The resolution on the Sino-Indian border dispute emphasized the need for a speedy solution of the dispute in the common interests of the peoples of the two countries and condemned the efforts of Indian jingoes and reactionaries to exploit the incidents against the Chinese revolution. Another resolution conveyed solidarity to the Japanese people in their heroic antiwar movement.

The leading comrades and sections of the new party in the various states were in the forefront of the July strike of the national government workers. Most of the active trade-union leaders of the party were arrested and jailed in the victimizations that followed this cour-The reaffirmation of the two most important strategic ageous but defeated action of over two million employees.

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Packers Win

Tough Strike

victory this week when Brandon

picket-line violence instigated

by scabs who were given pro-

tection by the city police. It was

smash all unions in Brandon.

after defending himself from a

company - inspired attack by

Nevertheless the picket lines

held firm. Then a secondary

boycott proclaimed by the union

three weeks ago was unrivalled

in intensity since the days of the

1919 Winnipeg-Brandon general

strike. It swept the province and

brought the company to its

The manager of the plant was

announced. The victory in Bran-

don was crowned by the phy-

mid-west city. The wonderful

stamina of the packing house

workers backed up by the soli-

darity of the workers through-

out the province snatched vic-

Manitoba.

packers.

Offers 8-to-5 Odds In Favor of Cuba

Five years ago a U.S. boycott of Cuban products would have Union Official been enough to starve the island out. Now, it probably will not Is 'Shocked' be effective. Cuba has been the best customer the U.S. has had. Editor: For every dollar we spend for \$1.50 for ours.

formerly bought. However, figures from the latest World Almanac put a different light on the picture. The USSR produces 60 pounds of beet sugar per capita a year. The U.S. consumes 97 pounds per capita a year. For the USSR to increase its consumption to equal ours would take the full two

Further to Cuba's advantage is that a lot of European countries are learning that coconut oil is better and cheaper than the cottonseed oil they used to

Europe is a poor market for bananas. But Cuban bananas are only five hours from an class that controls it through its American port by boat. The political organizations. In this nearest available substitute is United Fruit and West Indies have been kept politically un-Fruit will prefer the short haul organized and, therefore, polifrom a country they dislike to tically helpless. They have the much longer haul from a been told by their leaders place they like better.

and, coconut operators never bosses' political parties, procrops. To abandon a profitable tion day. So why pretend to be enterprise to demonstrate soli- 'shocked' at the results that nadarity with the sugar and oil turally follow from this bankfor the fruit and coconut of the labor leadership in this the new order.

On the go-in, it looks like

Prison Life Taught.

panions, etc.

"San Quentin 'Adjustment Center' Open."

When I saw this headline, I made the obvious

assumption that it was a center designed to

teach prisoners to "adjust" to the outside world

when they are released. This in itself is ques-

tionable, as men who swindle, rob and kill

already appear to be pretty well adjusted to our

society. But the sub-head puzzled me . . .

center, with its facilities for counseling, group

has been established to help men who "cannot

adjust to prison life." After three months of in-

tensive psychological bombardment, they will

be ready to return to their regular cells and

like it. The United States may be lagging in

the missile race, but when it comes to brain-

known as "the tank" or "the hole." While the

now out of date. In an age when mass media

can persuade workers that they are not exploit-

ed because they are really not workers, surely

prisoners can be convinced of the many advan-

tages of life in jail - security, congenial com-

esting questions which should be brought to the

attention of experts on penology. What happens

to the concept of punishment? If these adjust-

This new approach does raise some inter-

Prisons used to have adjustment centers

employed were effective, they are

washing, this will be hard to beat.

psychotherapy and other "adjustment aids,"

Reading further, I discovered that the new

8-to-5 for Castro and the Cuban | An Old-Timer F. B. T.

Doesn't See Why

Brotherhood of Locomotive political questions. At first glance it appears im- Firemen & Engineers, wrote in the whole two million tons of ing antilabor bill aimed at the Lampley described the bill as "shocking."

I wrote to him as follows: ilege to spend all your working would find themselves in power. differential between the workers time in Washington, that big the railroads - controls every and national government, and publican and Democratic par-

country, thanks to their leaderin every election as far back as country." C. R. Hedlund .

Minneapolis

Still Spinach

Writes to A Beginner

Editor: The letter in your recent issue from a Militant supporter ginner," reminded me of 1903 In Manitoba who signed himself, "A Be-Recently A. M. Lampley, when I was looking for the an-Cuban products, Cuba spends Washington lobbyist for the swer to world economic and

There were many liberal and possible that Russia could take our union paper about a pend-progressive pamphlets and papers, but they only mumbled Cuban sugar that this country railroad brotherhoods. Brother about the ills that existed with- Packers capitulated after one of out offering a sound program for a solution.

The Socialist party taught the tract calls for a 12 per cent "Why pretend to be shocked "theory of gradualism" - a about something which is per- parliamentary farce—"elect two ment which will be granted in fectly natural and mere routine, socialists this electon, then may- 1961 to the Big Three (Burns, Brother Lampley? Can it be be one next election" and then Swifts, and Canada Packers.) news to you, who has the priv- maybe gradually the socialists This will abolish the traditional

I accepted this and many business - and that includes other theories and campaigned their lower-paid fellow meat and fought for them until I saw department of both the state my first issues of the Worker and the Western Worker. This that it does this through its helped me form a group in San political organizations, the Re- Diego which in 1930 grew to great numbers until Stalin's orders turned the party and paper "Every government, in every into another disappointment and charged that the manager of the country in the world, serves the dissolution of a potentially revolutionary army.

Today we can be glad for the Militant and its loyal revolusix days sail to the same port. ship, the American workers tionary Marxist theorists and for those of us who help finan- Olver, was imprisoned on a cially, as literature distributors | trumped-up charge of assault and propagandists.

So take heart, "Beginner." For every one or one hundred three hoodlums. An atmosphere Sugar companies have lost I can remember, to muster all dollar bill you can send the of terror hung over the heads of large holdings of land. Fruit the votes they can for the Socialist Workers party you're the workers throughout the helping to build a trust fund for strike. Arson was committed on held any land, only bought grams and candidates on elec- understanding, organization and Olver's home, a shot was fired revolutionary power to help into his home, and strikers' tires emancipate the youth of the were slashed. world and guide them against interests is not in the rule book rupt political policy on the part failure in their inheritance of

H. C. B. Santa Cruz, Calif.

in order to get back? Won't this violate the sical eviction of the scabs from

THE MILITANT

[The following letter from Frank Lovell, Socialist Workers candidate for U.S. Senator from BRANDON, Manitoba, Sept. Michigan, was published in the - The workers of Local 255 Sept. 14 issue of the New York United Packinghouse Workers Times.] of America won a significant

> To the Editor of the New York Times:

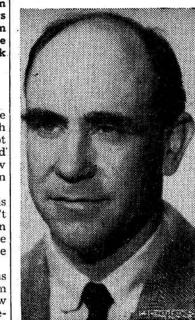
the most bitterly fought strikes I feel sympathy for people in recent years. The new conlike your correspondent Joseph Cloud, who finds that he cannot wage hike plus the same agreesupport Kennedy or Nixon and urges the formation of a new party to oppose them both in November.

Unfortunately, Mr. Cloud is wrong when he says, "We don't of these three companies and have to have another revolution or change the laws" to exercise he political freedom to place The six-month strike, which another party on the ballot. began Feb. 29, was marked by

The laws concerning elections are state laws. Many of them require that petitions for new and minor parties be filed before the Democratic and Repubpacking plant, A. L. Wudel, a lican conventions. Thus they former Canadian fascist, was orhad to be filed in Pennsylvania ganizing an all-out drive to and New Jersey last winter, in Michigan last spring, etc. Even if a new national party were The local's president, John formed now, its candidates could not appear on the ballot in these states.

In addition, other states require so many petitions that it is virtually impossible to comply at any time, let alone in the short span before November.

The laws need changing badly. Until they are changed, the time to think of steps to end the two-party monopoly of the ballot is before, not after, the Detroit, Sept. 5, 1960



FRANK LOVELL

Democratic and Republican con-

The Socialist Workers party, running Farrell Dobbs for President, has taken those steps and will appear on the ballot in many states. Independent voters to bite only if their masters are and consider the advisability of was running away and there expressing their dissatisfaction anyone, the question arises-Election Day.

Frank Lovell

Chinese Opera Touring Canada "Off Limits" to U.S. Citizens VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 15 partment in Washington. He ex- ACLU discussion.

Chinese mainland has been sets control regulations drawn fired when the settlement was playing to sellout houses in up under Washington's policy of to racial and national minorities Canada. It is a delightful dis- embargo, Americans are barred, play of oriental mimicry, music, wherever they are, from having acrobatics and stagecraft.

> It has been banned from playing in the USA by the State Department. Moreover, Americans who anticipate visiting Canada to see the show have been prohibited from doing so.

tory out of a possible defeat. It helps set the stage for the building of the labor party in Why not pass this copy of the

The Peking Opera from the plained that, under foreign asany transactions with China.

to give any commitment that there wouldn't be prosecutions under this law. Maximum penalties are ten years in jail or a fine of \$10,000.

Leonard Bernstein, conductor When the Peking Opera ar- of the New York Philharmonicrived in Calgary, Alberta, Symphony Orchestra, who play-Americans were informed by ed in Vancouver the day after their consulate that they were the Opera left, deplored the ban forbidden to attend. This ruling on the show and expressed rewas confirmed by Harold Pollak grets at missing its performof the U.S. Treasury Legal De- ance there.

tomation and other causes of

unemployment, the conven-

tion adopted a resolution call-

ing for a 32-hour week with

Throughout the convention,

David McDonald, president of

the United Steel Workers (AFL-

CIO), was scored for his juris-

dictional raids against Mine-

union is undergoing attacks

no loss in pay.

The Treasury official refused

lice captain said he remem-

This caused tremendous controversy in a town which prides Policy." Speaker, Daniel Robtself on its comparative lack of erts, editor the Militant. Friday, racial discrimination. Denver Sept. 23, 8 p.m. 116 University was suddenly faced with the Place (Off Union Sq.) Contrib. harsh fact that prejudice is just 50 cents. Ausp. Dobbs-Weiss

where. The NAACP demanded dismissal of the captain. A group of young people who had been picketing the local Woolworth's in support of the Southern sit- 1960." Saturday, Oct. 1, 8 p.m. ins staged a protest demonstra-

The captain was eventually from the government and mine publicly rebuked; but, instead of being dismissed, was trans-Many delegates stressed the ferred to another precinct - in

ast year. The miners union Finally the district attorney opened many of its hiring halls ordered a grand-jury investigato striking steel workers, en- tion of the police force. He acted Erroll Banks, candidate for Conabling over 4,000 to find jobs after the recent arrest of a cop gress, 23rd District, Friday, on a burglary charge. It seems Sept. 23, 8:15 p.m. 1702 East 4th One worker observed that that a number of cops may be St. Ausp. Militant Labor Forum. "McDonald ought to be rally- involved in a series of safe

3,000 pieces of legislation to own negotiations with the steel vestigations are needed when ers presidential candidate, will them after the elections. You bosses next year. Instead, he's cops crack the heads of innocent give an eyewitness report on know what we got? Three lousy helping to split it with jurisdic- citizens. But it's quite a differ- Japan and discuss a socialist ent matter when they start peace program for America. The convention called for all- cracking safes. That's private Saturday, Sept. 24, 8 p.m. 1227

It's Not Easy to Place New Party on Ballot Denver Citizens Endangered by Cops with Dogs

By Carol Curtis

DENVER - Are the police dogs now being used by Denver cops a menace to the public? According to John Schooley, Manager of Safety, there's nothing to worry about. At a recent forum of

the American Civil Liberties Extend Pickets are trained to bite only if their But recently one of the dogs Against Sears masters are attacked.

was ordered to give chase to a man who had struck at it in passing and then run away. Inpassing and then run away. Instead of holding the man prisoner until the cop could arrest him, the dog bit him in the back as he was running, so that he had to receive hospital treatment.

The next day the man was fined for striking a police

Since the dogs are supposed should investigate its program attacked, and since the man voting for Dobbs as a means of was no danger of his attacking with Kennedy and Nixon on why did the dog bite? Was it insufficiently trained? Or did the cop order the dog to bite? The answer is strongly suggested by the fact that the victim was a Spanish-American. In Denver, Spanish-Americans. like Negroes, frequently have their civil rights violated by the cops. Even Schooley was forced to admit this at the

The most publicized example occurred last May with the arrest of Kofi Badu, a State Department guest from Ghana. Like many tourists, Badu was takng photos of sights around town when he saw two cops "subduing" a prisoner. He took some shots of the scene and was spotted by the cops. They promptly threw him into a patrol wagon and took him to

There, the captain insultingly warned him he would be jailed if he "interfered" with police business again. His film was exposed before he was released. Mr. Badu lodged a complaint

Asked to comment, the pobered the incident, but it was only "some nigger with a

as real and horrible here as else- Campaign Committee.

Mill locals at a time when the tion in front of the station house.

contrasting policy followed by the Spanish-American com-Mine-Mill during the steel strike munity.

ing support from the labor burglaries.

The resolution adopted on out support throughout the property — the cornerstone of California. Contrib. 75 cents.

Trades Council committee of Ookland, Calif., has stepped up its boycott campaign against the Sears stores by setting up informational picket lines where local chains exist and distributing a tabloid newspaper to 100,000 East Bay homes.

By Virginia Kaye

The newly formed joint Cen-

ral Labor Council and Building

Sears fired 262 employees who refused to cross the picket lines of the Machinist's union. Although a federal judge has ordered arbitration of 144 of these cases, the local Sears managers claim they have no authority for negotiation.

Pledges of support for the boycott have come from city and state labor bodies across the country and protests have been sent to Sears by the International Confederation of Commercial, Clerical and Technical Employees with two and a half million members in 32 coun-

Rev. Bob West of Knoxville Tenn., told the AFL-CIO Labor Council that Sears not only dis criminates against its own union employees but also against colored citizens. "Sears has been the most stubborn company in the South to deal with around the issue of lunch-counter inter gration," he said. "They have obstinately refused to integrate a single one of their store counters and are standing at this time as a major stronghold against integration in the South."

Calendar Events

NEW YORK

"The Crisis of U.S. Foreign

Myra Tanner Weiss, Socialist Workers vice-presidential nominee, addresses a campaign rally on "The Case for Socialism in Guest speakers. Social follows meeting. Contrib. \$1. 116 University Place. Ausp. Dobbs-Weiss Campaign Committee.

LOS ANGELES

"Negroes and the 1960 Elections." Speakers: Eleanor Letha Cary, veteran socialist leader,

DENVER

Farrell Dobbs, Socialist Work-Ausp. Socialist Workers party.

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Notes in the News

INDIANS SEEK "FOREIGN AID" - The 17,000 Chippewa Indians at the Nett Lake reservation in northern Minnesota have formally requested a seat in the United Nations. Gerald Sheehy, a tribal spokesman, said such a seat might put them into a position to petition for foreign aid. "Medical aid, control of our own resources and even voicing authority on our own lives in general have not been enjoyed in many years," he said. "And the situation is getting worse rather than better."

LOWER EDUCATION - The town of Artesia, N.M., is planning a dual purpose elementary school. Partially financed by the federal civil-defense organization, the building will double as a bomb shelter in the event of nuclear war. It will be entirely below ground level except for the entrance and flagpole. A concrete roof, intended to filter radioactive material from nuclear fallout, will be flush with the ground. The architect points out that the roof can be used as a basketball court.

WHY NOT JUST SHOOT THEM? - The Dallas Apartment Owners Association is demanding that the Texas legislature adopt a law permitting landlords to evict tenants without a court order if they fall behind in their rent.

AN "IFFY" QUESTION .- The concentration of cancer-breeding strontium 90 in the bones of infants reached its peak in 1959 and will now diminish if there are no further nuclear tests, reports Science. The magazine believes this means that the population at large could escape the long-term effects of a nuclear war, "provided the serious problem of shortterm survival could be solved."

THE ANSWER TO SPUTNIK-Two 10,000 gallon "radiation-proof" rubberized tanks have been anchored in the Gulf of Mexico. Sponsored by St. Petersburgh Beach, the tanks are darling," the kid replies:

WHEN IT GETS TOO MUCH FOR YOU-"Before you crack up with tension: Atom bombs

WHAT'S EVERYONE AFRAID OF? -20 were injured by the first one.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK - "The sick, rotten, filthy words describing sexual perversion which bombard our ears every day are disgustcatches himself using this language should stop the ECLC. and ask himself, 'Am I tool of the Communists . . .?" - From a letter to the Aug. 18

American tradition of individual initiative, by the plant in the northend of this robbing a man in prison of his one incentive -

of others, once released, commit new crimes

On the other hand, once these psychologists and counselors get through with him, a prisoner's adjustment may be more apparent than real. Mental patients who are put in a strait jacket each time they get a bit unruly do "improve," or at any rate they are much quieter. This does not necessarily indicate greater emotional stability, but it does prove that they are sufficiently in touch with reality to

know when to shut up. Failure to shut up when faced with unpleasant conditions is generally labeled as maladjustment. A well-adjusted individual is altroubled by problems like high taxes, overcrowded schools, segregation or corrupt politicians. He doesn't join demonstrations agains the H-bomb but serenely prepares to make the

best of it. This attitude has been so successfully inculcated on the outside, why not extend it to prisoners? Why shouldn't a counselor convince them that the narrow walls of their cells create

cares of the world? I have enough confidence in the integrity of convicts to believe they will react like the youngster in the famous New Yorker cartoon. When his mother says sweetly, "It's broccoli,

"I say it's spinach and I say the hell with

ment aids work well enough, prisoners may feel that serving time is some sort of reward. which will completely disrupt the foundations of our penal system. Will men get to like it so well they won't want to leave? Will thousands

are said to be capable of withstanding a nuclear attack, "barring a direct hit." The idea was dreamed up by Dr. Harold C. Quase, vice president of the Jet Fuel & Storage Co. He timidated by this witch-hunt said it all came to him "when the Russians tactic and went on to win the launched Sputnik I."

to the left of us, high prices to the right, JD growing every day. And around and around we go, helpless passengers riding a big ball of mud around the sun, on our way to where? No wonder icy fingers occasionally grip Nazis and Free Speech all of us at the pit of the stomach. Next time it gets too much for you - take a few minutes off and forget your troubles with the comics in the Daily News." - From a recent advertisement placed by the New York Daily News.

OUR WELFARE STATE - The U.S. Department of Agriculture has donated 18 million pounds of dried pea beans for distribution to or Wagner cancelled the permit mention either the Democratic enthusiasm at the convention. needy persons and for the school lunch program.

Federal officials have been issuing frequent assurances that the risk of a serious accident chairman of the ECLC, will ceive endorsement from the gates particularly appreciated at missile and atomic installations is "negligiable." But on Aug. 23 the Navy missile fuel plant at Indian Head, Md., reported its second explosion in one week. Nobody was injured by Protest Racial Defamation; Arthe second blast but one man was killed and

Baltimore Evening Sun.

adjustment. A well-adjusted individual is always calm and accepts life as he finds it, untroubled by problems like high taxes, overkenneay

By Tom Leonard

DENVER, Colo., Sept. The fifty-fifth convention of the a sanctuary where they are protected from the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers (independent) adjourned last Thursday, pledging to continue the defense of nine past and present leaders who are currently appealing to a higher court their conviction on charges of "conspiracy to defraud the government" by allegedly violating the

Taft-Hartley Act. Last November the government brought to trial the eleven Taft-Hartley victims in the middle of a six and one-half designed to store liquids, solids and gases and month strike against the major copper companies. It is to the credit of the rank and file that they refused to be split or inlongest strike in the union's

> history. The collusion between the bosses and their government

N. Y. Forum to Discuss

NEW YORK - "Should Nazis be denied freedom of speech?" will be the subject of a forum here Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 8 p.m. The meeting has been called by the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee because of the current controversy in which May-Nazi, to speak in Union Square.

Dr. Corliss Lamont, noted humanist philosopher and vicepreside. Speakers include civilrights attorney Conrad J. Lynn, chairman of the Committee to nold Johnson, vice-chairman of party; Dr. Royal W. France, sec-Rutgers University and Leonard

at the New York Trade Show on strike for months. An ex-trying to explain why they sold Building, 500 8th Ave. ample is the current two-month out!"

stooges, including so-called strike of lead and zinc workers friends of labor in the Demo- in the Coeur d'Alene district of cratic party, had its repercus-Idaho. sions in the convention. To offset the effects of au-

One delegate from Connecticut, for example, attacked the Democrats in a bitter speech from the convention floor. "We put those clowns in Washington and all they do is take up a lot of room and push for pay increases for themselves. Now you've got lawyers, businessmen and even millionaires rushing for the dough. I'm not in favor of Democrats or Republicans. I don't know what we are going to do. You can't trust anyone you elect. I'd as soon run a dog. Do you know the answer, Mr. Clark?" (John Clark, president of the

union.) The delegate added, "For the first time in the history of Con- during the hardest days. necticut, we have a Democratic governor and a Democratic state legislature. Mine-Mill, AFL-CIO and Teamsters submitted over movement in preparation for his You see, no grand jury inlaws that didn't mean a damn tional raids."

political action called for sup- country to the lunch-counter sit- our way of life. port to "those candidates who ins in the South. take a correct position on civil minimum wages, peace and other vital issues." It did not and neither candidate will re- Workers and others. The dele-

The delegates discussed the pigeons. serious problem of automation

Dave Jenkins, West Coast rights, medical care for the aged, longshoreman, who has been working on the union's defense committee, aroused the most of Lincoln Rockwell, an avowed or Republic parties. The con- He reported support from the vention was unable to agree on Teamsters, Amalgamated Clothsupport to Kennedy or Nixon ing Workers, Typographical

his attack on company stool

Said Jenkins: "There's nothin the nonferrous metal industry ing wrong with going to prison which has resulted in mounting when your only crime is fighting the New York Communist lay-offs. Unemployment has for the rights of working people. been further aggravated by There are always friends to help retary of the National Lawyers competition from American- you on the inside, and others Guild; Prof. David Haber of owned mines in South America. waiting with open arms when Due to increased productivity you get out. But I can point ing and in a way frightening . . . Anyone who B. Boudin, general counsel of the mining bosses are now able out a whole bunch of stool to draw on stockpiles of ore pigeons who spend all their time The symposium will be held while forcing workers to remain in gin mills getting drunk, while

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