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Rebellion Flares in Caracas

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Betancourt Orders Army into Streets

DEC. 1 - The suspension of constitutional rights by Venezuelan President Betancourt and his use of military force to quell demonstrations of workers and students has brought that country the serious risk of a renewed army dictatorship.

After the hated Jiminez dictatorship was toppled in 1958, Betancourt was elected on the basis of promises to bring urgently needed social reforms to the country which suffers misery and deprivation while U.S. tycoons plunder its rich oil resources.

Betancourt's failure to carry out his campaign promises paralleled his efforts to stamp out popular sympathy for the Cuban revolution. His anti-Cuban stand has deepened labor and student opposition to his regime.

When the telephone workers struck Nov. 24, high school and university students quickly joined their demonstrations.

Instead of responding to the demands of the students, Betancourt turned the military on them. At last report, 242 had been imprisoned. At least nine people have been killed and several hundred wounded.

The brutal crackdown has stiffened the opposition of many of the workers and students. An undisclosed number of telephone workers ignored their leaders' back-to-work order Bank clerks staged a new walkout and students barricaded themselves at the University of Caracas and in high schools in the face of national guard submachinegun fire.

Thrashing about to preserve his position, Betancourt charged on the one hand that the demonstrators were attempting to establish "a regime here like Cuba," and on the other that the ousted Jiminez forces were preparing a Trujillo-sponsored invasion from the Dominican Republic.

Most observers agreed that the real immediate threat to Betancourt's regime is the army which has ruled Venezuela for magazines showed pics of his quest of dictator Somoza of all but about six of the past men. They were of all colors. Nicaragua and dictator Ydigoras studded with such phrases as: "The army may hold the key" and ". . . if the army remains

A "reliable informant" of the New York Times said that Washington is considering lending Betancourt \$300 million and providing him with "light arms" to crush the demonstration-if there are assurances he has the tels that actually refused to ad- Washington Post. "There is no support of the army.

Meanwhile, vesterday's Wall Street Journal spelled out "our" stake in the Venezuelan crisis: U.S, oil company stake in Ven- Cubans who have run away ezuela, a holding of immense from Castroland or are getting Nov. 26 in a gleefully candid strategic value. . . . For another, ready to reinvade the Cuban isle report from Guatemala City by

snowball effect that might roll ones in the mobs at all. Wonder quickly over nearby lands." why?"



Hands Off Cuba!

Part of a picket line of more than 500 persons who demonstrated in front of the United Nations Nov. 26 against ominous moves of the U.S. fleet in the Caribbean.

The demonstration, called by the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, was held under the general slogan of "Hands Off Cuba!" but many participants brought their own placards, some of them homemade. These included: "Cuba is Now Free: Let It Remain So." "Don't Let United Fruit Drag Us into World War III." "U.S. Navy Supports Dictators." "Will

Militant photo by J. H. History Absolve the U.S.?" "Wake Up U.S.A. to the Needs of the Hungry Nations." "Cuba's Independence Cornerstone of Puerto Rico's Independence." "In Oriente They Build Schools: In Tennessee They Bomb Them. Build Peace with Cuba." "Send Federal Troops to New Orleans Not to Cuba." "Cuba No Se Vende. (Cuba Is Not for Sale)." "We Want the Truth." "Gunboats Threaten Freedom." "Castro Is Not Alone." "Get Your Navy Out of Central America." "We Demand Fair

DETROIT, Nov. Nov. 18 - "A the Caribbean have been expuzzling thing," says Bill Lane, posed as a crude hoax. columnist in last week's Michigan Chronicle.

Havana after coming out of the armed forces and supplies in mountains the newspapers and Guatemala and Nicaragua. He Reports are So it was when the Cubans of Guatemala, both of whom were in NYC recently, and in claimed that the Cuban governpics in Look taken in Havana ment was aiding rebel forces in recently.

Jim Crow Clubs

was in power and backed by a firm evidence that Central lot of loot from U.S. hoodlums American invasion forces are who built night clubs and ho- at sea," reported the Nov. 18 mit Negroes from the United hard evidence that the central

"The puzzling thing is that whenever we see pics in Life "For one thing, there is the or in the U.S. newspapers of Venezuela's fall to Castroism we always see the Cubans . . . would risk a damaging shown as all-white. No dark Albert Colegrove. He revealed

Since July layoffs have

mounted steadily in the mills

here, with short-time becom-

Particular bitterness is felt

Job descriptions have been

This has given special ap-

peal to the OMR's demand

for a 30-hour week at 40 hours

pay and its call for protection

Particularly important in the

campaign is the fact that the

the no-strike pledge. Nicholas

In this way the OMR is help-

of job classifications.

Nov. 4.

now over the behind-the-scenes

ing a regular diet.

Detroit Steel Locals Vote Against McDonald

By Jim Campbell

DETROIT, Nov. 26 - Donald | ened by rising unemployment. Rarick won endorsement of the two large locals of the United Steelworkers here as candidate for international president of the union in the 1961 election. He defeated David J. McDonald, the incumbent president, after deals made by the union ada lively campaign in his behalf ministration with the steel by the OMR (Organization for bosses over job classifications. Membership Rights), a union caucus formerly known as the changed until they amount to Barnum-like flair for selling Dues Protest Movement.

In Local 1299 Rarick won by consequence, the companies 465 to 133, in Local 2659 by 225 have cut the number of jobs to 155. Other OMR candidates while investing in new machalso won endorsement.

Under the Steelworkers constitution, endorsement by at least 40 locals is necessary before a candidate for union-wide office can appear on the ballot. The OMR now has promise of

a strategic edge over the Mc-Donald machine in this district OMR has demanded an end to in the referendum election next February, since out of 26,000 Mamula, OMR candidate for member's the two locals have district director in Western Steel and 4,000 at McLouth

Dissatisfaction with the appeasement methods of the time-serving . McDonald ad-

'Wonder Why How Ydigoras Helped Dodge Local 3 The Runaways Are All White?' In Move of U.S. Fleet The proclaimed reasons for vasion hoax was fabricated at 30-Hour Week While the hatemonger glowered from his pillow case, the eight young people took seats beside him and requested service. The manager shut down

Lawrence further reports that

sending the fleet to "guard" the

coast was only an opening gam-

"It is likely," he writes,

"that a close watch will be

maintained by the U.S. Navy's

airplanes on any vessels or

planes which leave Cuban

shores for any destination in

neighboring countries. This

kind of surveillance will grad-

What is the ultimate aim of

these aggressive military ac-

on the line - the use of U.S.

armed might to crush the Cuban

revolution and restore the col-

onial rule of the Wall Street

"The day is not far distant,"

declares Lawrence, "when the

United States . . . may have to

land troops to take possession

of American properties in

Cuba seized by the Castro

With touching sensitivity for

the human factor, Lawrence

speculates on "how such a step

will be received by the Cuban

people - that is, whether it

The consequences of such

'misinterpretation" will have to

be debated in the U.S., says

ion: "Hands off Cuba!"

ually increase. . . . "

monopolists.

government."

government. . . .'

sending U.S. naval forces into Washington's request.

17 that surface and air units were on their way to that area bit. "When Castro marched into to halt the landing of Cuban their countries.

The daily press here was hard put to justify this contention. tions? Lawrence lays it right "Unlike it was when Batista The State Department "has no direction of the rebel movement comes from Havana," said the Nov. 15 New York Herald-

Tribune. But the real give away came Scripps-Howard correspondent how Ydigoras had used "the Barnum' technique" to pin the label of Cuban "aggression" on the aborted army uprising against him.

Colegrove said that the rebel army officers, with about 900 men behind them, were simply disgruntled at the lack of opportunity for advancement. He cited an American who was close to their activities," as observing: "They were the politest rebels I ever saw. They respected private property and didn't push anybody around."

Colegrove adds: "Others agreed there were no signs of eft-wing activity or pro-Castro

sentiment among the rebels." Then, to illustrate Ydigoras' speed-up and job-jumping. As a fake sideshow attractions, he

> "But somehow or otherand without really getting specific - Gen. Ydigoras got across the impression that the whole plot was hatched in Cuba . . , and a visiting United States Senator emerged from a private talk with Gen. Ydigoras to declare that Guatemala had been 'the first to break the Castro offen-

But the Pentagon really wasn't 10,500 members at Great Lakes Pennsylvania, raised the issue swindled into sending its gunsharply at an OMR rally here boats into the Caribbean. It had its own weighty reasons for doing so. In fact David Lawrence, ing to revive the long-dormant the reactionary columnist, sugspirit of militancy in the steel gested approvingly in the Nov. ferring to an accidental beating Ray faces "a reckless driving to a limit of three cents per 18 Herald-Tribune that the "in- given him by fellow officers charge."

DETROIT - UAW Dodge Local 3 has called on the UAW Eisenhower announced Nov. Nicaraguan and Guatemalan to "make the 30-hour week five sit-in demonstrators were negotiations.'

called for:

Action "to persuade the new 87th session of the U.S. Con-Standards Act so as to reduce the legal work week."

National Campaign

Development by the international UAW of "a national publicity campaign around the need for a reduction in the hours of labor as was done in the case of sonville NAACP. pensions and supplementary unemployment benefits."

Circulation of the Local 3 resolution to all UAW locals, urging them to take "parallel

The resolution said 30-for-40 is needed because of layoffs, automation and speedup, Copies of the full resolution, which appeared in the Nov. 19 will be misinterpreted as an alleged American interference with the rights of the Cuban

'Stabilized Eggs'

Lawrence, before the next move Last June, the federal government began buying up dried That's a good idea. The Amercan people should get into that Since then eggs have shot up Nov. 7 Wall Street Journal cardebate with a clear, strong posi- 17 cents a dozen in the Chicago ries a front page story headwholesale market.

Not Even an Ex-cop Is Safe Especially If He's a Negro

cop is safe from police brutal- member of the vice squad. ity, especially if he's a Negro

Jesse W. Ray, 39, who gets a pension for partial disablement after 13 years as a policeman, found that out last week.

Two white plainclothesmen in a car, not liking the way in which he was driving, told him to "pull over to the curb, you black son of a bitch."

could get out of the car by himbeen beaten by you fellows be- and was released on bond. fore," Ray began. He was re-

DETROIT - Not even an ex- | during a raid when he was This angered the cops still

more, and they cut off his attempted explanation, one holding him from behind and choking him, the other beating him on the head with a blackjack. Then they took him to a sta-

tion and put him in a cell. Ray factor." tried to explain to the sergeant, "principle" McDonald surrenwho answered, "As far as I'm dered the substance of the concerned, you're all a bunch of union's cost-of-living clause. pigs." He wouldn't let Ray He parked, but before he phone his home or lawyer.

Later Ray was taken to a hos- maximum of six cents increase self, they were pulling him out. pital and shackled to a bed. He under the escalator clause for "Now, just a minute, I've finally got a message through the entire period of the contract

'Not Frightened,' Declare Negroes In New Orleans

Klan Defied By Students In Atlanta

Defying robed and hooded Klansmen, Negro students in Atlanta, Ga., renewed their sitin and picket-line actions aimed at winning integration of variety and department store lunch

Hundreds of Negro students resumed the protest action in downtown Atlanta Nov. 25 after a month of fruitless negotiations with local merchants. Ten lunch counters were closed down by the sit-ins.

The next day about a hundred Klansmen appeared in front of Rich's department store, a major Jim Crow holdout, with banners calling for "action now" against the Negroes. A large number of Negro

youths arrived and set up wellorganized picket lines across the street. They carried placards reading: "Wear old clothes with

The presence of segregation is the absence of democracy. Jim Crow must go." Then six Negroes and two white girls walked into a neighboring Rexal drug store where a

Klansman, draped in all his bed sheets, was seated at the lunch

ice. The manager shut down the counter. The integration fighters

on service they lowed to eat.

gress to amend the Fair Labor Fla., ten teen-age Negro boys Frantz, escorted by their parand girls staged a sit-in Nov. 29 ents through a screaming, kickdemonstrators had been at- at Frantz with his daughter, August. Woolworth officials throughout the desegregation closed the counter.

Stand Solid Against Racists In School Integration Battle

By Arthur Jordan

With undampened resolution to win the battle for their own and all their city's Negro children, four New Orleans families sent six-year-old daughters back to court-desegregated first-grade classes Nov. 28.

After a week's recess, New Orleans schools reopened with continued demonstrations and a school boycott designed to break the will of the

Negró parents. support of the Negro community. When one father was fired by his filling-station boss last week, a construction job was quickly found for him.

Neighbors instantly reassured another family when a hearse pulled up at their house, followed by the delivery of a funeral wreath.

Reprisals may increase if a segregationist wins his suit to obtain official rolls containing the names of the four girls. But the grandmother of one

six-year-old quietly observed: "There is no victory without labor." And another parent summed up for the group: "We are determined for our children dignity. Don't buy here"; and to stay in those schools. . . . We were not frightened at first and we still are not frightened."

A longshoreman's wife spoke for Negroes who have suffered because they backed the girls' parents. Her 19year-old son had been beaten, kicked and stabbed. On his release from the hospital, she said: "I am sorry they hurt my boy, but I still think the schools should be integrated."

A few white families are also standing against the pack. New Orleans schools reopened under scored a victory Nov. 30 when a concerted drive to force the transfer of white pupils to with 40 hours' pay the number served without incident at the adjacent St. Bernard Parish one demand in the 1961 contract Young Women's Christian As- (county). No white children apsociation public cafeteria. A peared Nov. 28 at desegregated In a resolution, adopted at a spokesman later emphasized McDonogh 19 School and only laris submarines and risk our membership meeting for the that the YWCA board of directive at William Frantz School. lives, this is saying 'NO" to these special UAW convention next tors had not adopted a formal Two more were picked up at machines and the policies they April that will formulate con- policy of desegregation but had Frantz and driven home where represent," said Bradford Little, tract demands, Local 3 also decided that if Negroes insisted their parents were told to en- CNVA National Secretary. would be al- roll them in St. Bernard.

But next day there were four Meanwhile in Jacksonville, white children at William at a Woolworth lunch bar where ing mob. Running the gauntlet tacked by Klansmen last whom he has kept in school "crisis," one white, Rev. Lloyd The current action was led by Foreman, showed he meant it bombs on any of the four ves-Rodney Hurst, 16, president of when he said that sooner or sels is greater than all the the Youth Council of the Jack- later everyone of us "is called to bombs dropped during World stand and be counted."

The parents have the solid Pacifists Face

Jail for Protest

On Atom Subs GROTON, Conn., Nov. 22-Nine pacifists face fines and jail sentences for alleged trespass or the Groton Harbor area which was closed by the Navy during the launching of the Ethan Allen, the latest Polaris missile submarine.

The pacifists, members of the Committee For Nonviolent Action, have been demonstrating against construction of the submarines since last June.

Just before the ceremony seven members of the organization moved into the launching area in two rowboats and a canoe. The Coast Guard intercepted them and towed them out of the area. Soon after the launching, two other members of the group swam out to the craft and climbed aboard. They were arrested.

The navy had warned the Committee that their, actions would subject them to one-year prison sentences and/or \$5,000

The object of the demonstration was to focus attention on the danger of the arms race. "When we climb aboard Po-

This is the fourth Polaris carrying submarine to be launched. The Ethan Allen is larger and more deadly than its predecessors. It can cruise around the world submerged and fire its H-bomb missiles at targets 1,500 miles away.

The explosive power of the

Bleak News for Steel Workers In Two 'Little-Noticed' Clauses

By Tom Kerry

Steel workers are being hard crease is due next month. Be-Dodge Main News, may be ob- hit by several booby traps writ- cause the cost of living has contained from UAW Local 3, 8425 ten into the contract signed last tinued to rise, the union mem-Joseph Campau, Hamtramck 12, January by the McDonald leadership following the 116-day crease of three cents per hour.

union leadership that it was the by making the rise contingent eggs to "stabilize" the price. beginning to boomerang. The pany-paid insurance programs. Steel Pact Clauses Costly to lows: Workers." The opening paragraph states:

"A couple of little-noticed clauses in the steel labor contracts signed last January are about to explode into the headlines - and they'll make bleak reading for both employed and unemployed."

The first deals with the revised escalator clause. In the February issue of Steel Labor, union president David J. Mc-Donald boasted that among the gains recorded in the new contract was that "we saved the principle of the cost-of-living In exchange for the

Under the new clause the union was to be limited to a regardless of how high the cost All that's on the record is that of living rose. This amounted

bers should be entitled to an in-However . . . the escalator "prin-The hollow boasting of the ciple" was further constricted "greatest contract in history," is on the estimated cost of the com-It's a complicated bit of ries a front page story head-lined: "Two Little-Noticed Street Journal explains as fol-"The first of the three-cent cost-of-living boosts is due De-

cember 1. . . . But the big joker is the steel companies' insurance costs. This is further complicated by two other contract provisions. One provides that U.S. dustry, 'in order for the insurance escalation credits to be uni- hausted their unemployment inform as among all companies.' The other provides that possible a number of companies reportcost-of-living increases be meas- ing that SUB reserves have been ured, not against what the in- seriously depleted. surance costs already are, but Once SUB funds fall below a against what they're likely to be certain figure, payments are by June of next year, as best as severely curtailed and can be actuaries can determine."

that the insurance costs have struggle to prevent the corporagone up enough to offset any tions from scuttling their union. cost-of-living increase and that the steel workers are therefore not entitled to their three-cent hourly wage increase due under McDonald's escalation "principle" on December 1.

The alleged agreement of the corporations to assume the program was touted as the major contract gain by the McDonald leadership. A resolution lauding McDonald's peerless leadership adopted at the recent steel union convention boasted: "For the first time, we achieved a completely noncontributory insurance program in basic steel." Even this turned out to be a hoax!

Another of McDonald's conract concessions which is costing the steel workers dearly was the surrender of the demand for increased employer contributions to the Supplementary Unemployment Benefit fund. The slump in steel production which began last March has thrown Steel's costs are to be used as thousands of steel union memthe standard for the entire in- bers out of work for extended periods of time. Many have exsurance and SUB payments with

discontinued entirely. The steel The companies are claiming workers put up a magnificent They fought for 116 days against corporate power and government assault through Taft-Hartley. The fruits of victory were denied them by a spineless leadership which in the end sold

American Press Is Not Telling Powerful Document The Rich Yankees Don't Care Truth About Cuban Revolution

opening "Note to the Reader."] I went to Cuba.

Until the summer of 1960, I That journey has forced me had never been in Cuba, nor to the view - a view which for even thought about it much. In a long time I had rejected fact, the previous fall, when I that much of whatever you have about executions than about was in Brazil, and in the spring read recently about Cuba in the new lands put into cultivation. of 1960, when I was in Mexico U.S. press is far removed from They print what they think is for several months, I was em- the realities and the meaning of barrassed not to have any firm what is going on in Cuba today. attitude towards the Cuban rev- I am not altogether clear as olution. For in both Rio de to how to explain this fact; I do Janeiro and Mexico City, Cuba not think it is simple. Unlike was of course a major topic of many Cubans, I do not believe discussion. But I did not know that it is entirely due to a dewhat was happening there, liberate campaign of vilification. much less what I might think Yet it is true that if U.S. busiabout it, and I was then busy nesses adversely affected by the

with other studies. when I decided "to look into a system of interests (which in-Cuba," I first read everything I cludes the media of mass comcould find and summarized it: munication) may nonetheless be partly as information and part- a controlling factor in what you ly in the form of questions to are able to know about Cuba which I could find no answers today.

[This extract is from Mills', about getting answers to them, | headlines does restrict and

shape the copy journalists pro-

duce. Editors and journalists

tend to feel that the United

States public would rather read

Our ignorance of Cuba is also,

in part, due to the fact that the

revolutionary Government of

Cuba does not yet have a ser-

viceable information agency for

foreign journalists. In Cuba to-

day it is not easy to get firm

facts, and it is impossible to un-

derstand what is going on with-

out skilled help from the peo-

ple who are themselves in the

middle of their revolution. In

many cases such people are

quite unable to help, if only be-

cause they are so busy carrying

out the revolution. But it is

more than that: they are in-

creasingly unwilling to help, for

they feel that their trust has

been betrayed. Due to what they

rightly consider sad experiences,

they have come to feel that

North American journalists will

not recognize, or will distort,

the truth, even when they see

I believe another source of

trouble is that many North

American journalists simply do

the ordinary journalist's rou-

great variety of left-wing

can journalists know very little

of that variety. To most of them,

Saw Freshly

intellectuals, we were the ones

afraid of labels; we knew what

we were and what we were not.

North Americans must under-

stand about these young intel-

lectuals, about us who led the

insurrection and who are now

putting through the Cuban

with the purges and the trials

and the 35 years of all that-

we've had one enormous advan-

don't belong to that lineage. We

futility about what we're doing,

As young intellectuals, of

about all that disillusioning

process from books, and now

we have the time to study-but

we never lived it. We are new

men. That is why we are so

done in Cuba. There are no ex-

Cuban revolutionary.

The Militant

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"communism."

revolution:

it before them.

the salable commodity.

revolution do not coordinate In the late spring of 1960, your news of Cuba, business as

in print. With these questions, It is also true that the news and a few ideas on how to go editor's demand for violent

Good Economic Deal Soviet Countries

next. The Soviet Union and with you too, or anybody else, other Communist countries are if it works out fairly to our mubuying our sugar and selling us tual economic benefit. If you not know how to understand oil as well as other things we don't believe it, try us and see. and to report a revolution. If it with them.

their own standards go up, these Soviet countries need more raw materials of the sort we in Latin America are producing. It's not them. We're doing economic

Calendar Events

DETROIT

Friday, Dec. 9, 8 p.m.—"Room at the Top — For Crooks." a possibly get them. talk on crime, corruption and So if we did all capitalism by Robert Fink. At Union to build and to maintain Debs Hall, 3737 Woodward. Fri- a base in Cuba — and unless day Night Socialist Forum.

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Take our economic relations | business together. We'll do it

need. We are doing business | As for our "recognition" of is a real revolution - and with them. It's a good economic China, as well as our Chinese Cuba's is certainly that - to redeal - for us, at least, and we trade, the only thing we need port it involves much more than think for them too. You know to say is this: If your Govern-"a good business deal" when ment is so foolish as to think tine. It requires that the jouryou see one, don't you, Yankee? they can accomplish anything nalist abandon many of the Your corporations that have by not "recognizing" over 600 cliches and habits which now dominated Cuba's economy, they million people, we Cubans are make up his very craft. It cercertainly know! But we've al- not. We are not ostriches. We tainly requires that he know ready told you about their eco- want news about China. We something in detail about the nomic relations with the old want to do business with China. Do the Russians have They are very much a part of thought and action in the world that kind of exploitative rela- the world we all live in, and we today. And most North Ameritions with the Cuban economy want to live in it with them, today? They certainly do not. not try to act as if they didn't And as long as they don't, we're exist. Besides, it's none of your judging from our newspapers, it going to keep on doing business Government's business what countries our Government It just happens that the So- recognizes, is it? It's none of viet bloc and the underde- our business, but still we'll say veloped countries have many it: What you ought to do is opportunities — in plain ecopull your Government's head Our Leaders veloped countries have many it: What you ought to do is nomic terms - to benefit mu- out of the mud and make it tually from economic traffic. As recognize the fact of China, too.

But getting to what we suppose is your main worry — take communism as a military problem. We Cubans don't think merely a gift we're getting from this is nearly as important, at least now, as your Yankee politicians seem to.

Has the Soviet Union set up base on Cuban soil?

But the United States has a naval base in Cuba. But, you may say, Cuba's so

had to be? But you also have bases all around the perimeter of the through Communism and been left-wing governments and able ideas for people like us— don't worry — twelve thousand

close to the United States-that

So if we did allow the Soviet your Government forces us to, we are not going to do thatyou would have no moral claim, "The Kennedy Administra- no political right, to object. tion - Why It Won and Where You have bases in Turkey, a It Will Go." Speaker, Theodore few miles from the Soviet Edwards, radio commentator, border, and in Japan, on Okisocialist lecturer and writer. nawa, on Taiwan - all of them, Friday, Dec. 9, 8:15 p.m. Forum and others, just a little distance Hall, 1702 East Fourth St. Ausp. from the borders of China. If Militant Labor Forum. Contrib. you do not see the point, please know that we do. So do most of the peoples of the world. And very soon - please do not

mas shopping, don't miss the But no matter how all that Annual Xmas Bazaar. Saturday, may seem to you, we Cubans Dec. 10. Doors open promptly are not going to allow the Rusat noon. 116 University Place sians, or anyone else, to build (Off Union Sq.) Toys, books, rec- any base here; not unless — we ords, hand-crafted leather goods must repeat it — your Governand costume jewelry, clothing, ment forces us to. We do not household appliances. All at like foreign bases. We do not give-away prices. Ausp. N.Y. like generals, either — yours or

Anyway, don't you see that The Militant Labor Forum it's not the military issue that will not meet Friday, Dec. 9, be- is crucial now - unless you atcause its hall is bulging with tack us. Men take up arms only merchandise for the School of when politics fails; it's in poli-Social Science Bazaar. On tical terms that the technol-Dec. 16 the Forum will feature ogical aid and the economic a special discussion on "Listen, traffic, and the military issues, Yankee," C. Wright Mills' new must be worked out between

ours, or anybody else's.

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Against the Liars

On this page we are publishing excerpts from "Listen, Yankee." In our opinion this book on the Cuban revolution is of extraordinary importance although it seeks to do no more than offer an impression of the views of the participants.

Since it is obviously a truthful and sincere report, based on friendly interviews and long conversations with top leaders, the book is certain to be singled out by the press for Operation Kill.

The fact is that the author, C. Wright Mills, a distinguished figure in the American academic world, went to Cuba unconvinced about the revolution. He thought some of the derogatory things appearing in the press might have validity.

What he discovered left him no choice. He had to speak out. "Like most Cubans, I too believe that this revolution is a moment of truth . . . "

"Listen, Yankee" consists of two notes to the reader and eight letters which a Cuban revolutionary might have written to an unknown Yankee. The letters are frank. The Cuban says exactly what he thinks about America and Americans and their relation to his country.

All the main issues come up — Wall Street, Batista, the July 26 Movement, agrarian reform, the take overs. the Communist party, economic relations with the Soviet bloc, what the Cubans want, what they are doing and where they are headed.

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What Label Revolution

bear in mind is that our revolu- not just one, you know. And all appears as just so much stronger than anything the greatly. We're interested in all plish today or tomorrow.

As we write this to you, it But a small group of young Party in Cuba. But so what? point, turns out to be similar who started it up. We weren't after all, 'Communist'?"

Our answer is that the ques- certainly don't care. tion is a matter of what words Now there is one thing that you Since we did not belong to the well, that's okay with us. We any such theories? We've not disillusioned with Stalinism and movements in the world today

On the other hand, if you're them. seriously interested, we can tell you this: Insofar as we are tage as revolutionaries. We've Marxist or leftist (or com- Cuba IS Free not gone through all that ter- munist, if you will) in our ribly destructive process; we revolutionary development and Remember, we are not going That is one big secret of the and economic way of our insur- nomically. rection against Batista had many

course, we know something fight in China. And we've already told you we are studying it some-when pattern.

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so unafraid to do what must be radicals among us. We are new think, a new left in the world. meant to the old left all over the move shows you right away the the point. world. We know only from need for such control: to avoid books the Stalinist executions the waste of resources, if for no and the trials and the labor other reason. And for speed. camps, but it doesn't touch us There is so much to do and so personally. We are without any little to do it with, really. The of that ideological background; greatest crime today in Cuba is so we've had the courage for to waste our resources. So the revolution; it wasn't destroyed economy must be planned by by the terrible history of the our Government. And this will, world decline of the old left. of course, be a main determining We are people without bad factor of our political system, whatever it turns out to be.

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We're making a revolution to occurs to us that you may be solve the problems of the Cuban thinking: "Well, maybe all that's people. If our way of solving so, about the actual Communist them, at this point or at that Your revolution itself, isn't it, to the solutions of other peoples -any peoples in the world — we

We're practical men, you want to use. We don't care theorists - although some of us what words you use. We're try- are getting more and more ining to tell you as frankly and terested in theories, and when actually like in Cuba today and them now. Send us a few pracwhat we're actually doing. If tical theories, Yankees: we'll send them along

have not been wounded by it; thought, it is not due to through any Stalinist kind of and so we are free. We are any prior commitment to any forced industrialization. Rememrevolutionaries of the post- ideology. It is because of our ber, too, how flexible our con-Stalin era; we've never had any own development. That is true sumption on this semitropical "God That Failed." We just in general and it is true in de- island can be: we can live on tail. For example, we Cuban less, if we have to Remember, don't have all that cynicism and revolutionaries read Mao Tse- finally, that we are more fortung on guerrilla warfare after tunate than the Russians were, and about what we feel must be we'd been in the hills - and and even the Chinese, because then we knew that the military they will certainly help us eco-

Our very lack of any political similarities to Mao Tse-tung's system has been working in a most direct and democratic way. We don't know what you mean about our anti-Stalin economic by the word "democratic," but if what we're doing isn't demo-Just now we are beginning cratic, then we don't want democracy. . . . Also, we are not so dogmatic

as many of you seem to be. We are not among those who assert One thing that will influence that only under the particular our political system a great deal system such as you have can radicals. We really are, we is our economic planning and men be free. We can quite well our Government's control of our imagine real freedom, for ex-A left that has never suffered economics. Any underdeveloped ample, in the Soviet Union in from all that Stalinism has economy that is really on the the future. But that really isn't Advertisement

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building up the hatred of what your Government and your Most of that hate has had no and a lot more of it will. About two years ago - re-

tried to make a good-will tour of South America. In Uruguay, Argentina, Paraguay, and Bolivia, Mr. Nixon and his company were often jeered and the questions put to him in press conferences got sharper and sharper. In Lima, Peru, "a serious demonstration" occurred. Mr. Nixon (we quote from your New York Times) "was spat upon and stoned by a howling mob." Then on to Caracas, capital of oil-rich, poor-people got as big as melons; Mr. Nixon's limousine was attacked; the 'angry mob" attempted to overturn it, or to drag the Vice President out into the street. Its windows shattered, spitbedecked, the car "jumped the curb and escaped in the traf-Later that day, the Army of Venezuela broke up demonstrations "with bayonets and tear gas." Then Yankee Marines and paratroopers were dispatched to Caribbean bases.

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deres. He's gone now. On Taiwan, the eight million Taiwanese under the heel of your American-imposed dictator, Chiang Kai-shek, with his two million Chinese, grew increasingly restive. He's still

there. On Okinawa - one of the Yankee military bases around the world - the people got honestly as we can what it's we've the time, we're studying their first chance since World War II ended to demonstrate against the Yankee; and some you want to call it "communist," study them. But do you have students took that chance, snake-dancing and chanting old left intelligentsia — the don't really care if you are too got time for crackpot stuff, you angrily, "Go home, go home," older men who had gone lazy to study the varieties of know, but if you've any work- to your visiting President. But Yankee troops easily handled the generally grateful crowd, and the President got to the airport in a helicopter.

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from the Keys of Florida; and going Yankees have never for over sixty years at least it dreamed of.

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It's also a question about some of them - but do you world history - today and toeven know what their reasons morrow — a world history of were? Have you ever tried which we are all a part, whether to find them out? Are you try- we want to be or not. What ing to answer them, to speak to they are saying in the hungry nations, in the slum countries of But you might now be saying the world, is that the rich to yourself: "Well, maybe so, Yankees pay attention only to money and to violence. And if it will all go away; and be- you don't have the money, then Venezuela. The rocks thrown sides, all that's way over there all you've got left is the violence. Well, isn't that so? In That's being provincial, Yan- the meantime, you've surely be-You must know that gun to realize that things are with all your airplanes and not under the old easy control. Your country - and so you. But however that may be, you too, if it is your country any can't shrug Cuba off like that! more - is becoming the target It's less than a hundred miles of a world hate such as easy-

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all figures on foreign investment

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rent value of the assets, unre-

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private investment, be quite

large. We could probably add

at least another \$10 billion

Economists have paid especi-

ally close attention to the rapid

growth in direct investment

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the take-over by Ford of De-

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in their Dagenham subsidiary.

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such veterans have been greatly

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Shift to Manufacturing

Total output of American en-

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This form of investment has

and not be overdoing it.

Logic of Gunboat Diplomacy

A lead article in the Nov. 19 Christian Science Monitor explains why U.S. gunboats were sent into Caribbean waters in a bellicose display of force against Cuba and why the gunboats are likely to continue prowling in the area even if the situation quiets down in Nicaragua and Guatemala, the two countries which the Pentagon claims it is protecting from an alleged threat of Cuban "invasion."

The Monitor's explanation - which closely follows State Department pronouncements and propaganda handouts provides food for thought.

The naval action was triggered, says the Monitor, by "a huge arsenal of Soviet arms weighing 26,000 tons" assertedly being "dumped" in Cuba. (Who did the weighing is not disclosed.)

Therefore, the paper states, U.S. forces understandably will remain on patrol because the Cuban government "has acquired more arms than it needs for domestic reasons."

We assume that neither the Monitor nor the State Department is prepared to publicly champion a double standard in international relations. Let's assume then, that the U.S. has full moral right to send gunboats into waters near Cuba if that country has an arsenal of arms greater than it needs for "domestic reasons."

The same logic and morality compels us to go a step further.

The U.S. government is spending more than \$40 billion a year for armaments.

Cure for Aurophilia

The recent spurt of activity in the London gold market by speculators who bid up the price of gold beyond the maximum of \$35 an ounce set by Washington has sent a tremor of apprehension through world banking and financial circles. The incident served to spotlight a decline in the once pre-eminent and seemingly impregnable position of the American dollar in the money markets of the world.

The crisis has been diagnosed by the experts as due to the unfavorable balance of payments account between the United States and other world powers. This has resulted in a "gold leak" which, according to the pundits, threatens to undermine the position of the dollar. A major columnist of the New York Times, C. L. Sulzberger, diagnoses the disease as "aurophilia," which literally means "gold hemorrhage."

Sulzberger commends Eisenhower for moving quickly "to plug the gold leak." One of the measures taken by the Eisenhower administration was an order issued nuclear bombs, in the air on a continuous en countries of the capitalist 24-hour alert.

It has a fleet of planes, laden with

It has nuclear submarines carrying hydrogen missiles with twice the fire power of all the bombs exploded in World War II. Within a few years it hopes to have 13 more such submarines in action.

It has troops or missile bases on every continent.

It has a nuclear stockpile sufficient to which official figures tucked "overkill" the world's population 50 times.

It has stockpiles of deadly gases and even deadlier germs probably capable of overkilling humanity another 50 times if

How many millions of tons this truly huge arsenal weighs, we don't know. But we are quite certain that the weight is far beyond anything needed for "domestic firms have raised their foreign transportation, finance and util

So - by State Department logic isn't every country concerned about world peace entitled to surround our coasts with all the gunboats they can muster?

Of course there is a sane alternative to this logic of madmen and morality of murderers and that is to refrain from gunboat diplomacy.

But a turn in that direction is not in the cards while Wall Street runs the country. This world will not be able to count on enduring peace until America's workers and farmers put their own government in

to his military commanders that hereafter dependents of those serving in the armed forces abroad are to remain at home. This measure, it is claimed, will sharply reduce firms and subsidiaries (J. H. the huge dollar expenditure for goods and Dunning, "United States Overservices abroad by dependents of men serving overseas. "However," says Sulzberger, "with

grim political realism the Administration refrained from doing this before Election Western Europe," The Three Day. Unwilling bachelors," Sulzberger Banks Review, Sept., 1960.) adds, "are unlikely to vote for the party. that orders out the wife and kiddies."

Now that the election is over, have the capitalist politicians decided that they don't need to deceive the American people about our aurophilia any longer?

If keeping at home the dependents of that of many another American those serving in the armed forces abroad firm, is of old standing. But will help tie up those arteries and restore the United States to financial health, how and newcomers are constantly much more effective it would be if all American troops overseas were brought American capital now operates home at once.

The UN Lines Up on the Congo

The history of United Nations military excursions, from the Korean adventure to the current intervention in the Congo, has not been a happy one. Because the UN is based on the fiction that it is an impartial agency, every serious dispute involving the material interests of the dominant world powers quickly dispels the illusion of "neutrality" with which it cloaks its operations.

The United Nations sent military forces into the Congo upon the invitation of the then acting premier Patrice Lumumba. It did so with the approval of the major powers in the UN including both the Soviet Union and the United States. Only the Belgian imperialists objected. Although they had "granted" the Congolese their independence the Belgian colonialists were determined to maintain their privileged position especially in Katanga province, the richest in all the

Lumumba sought UN intervention to safeguard the independence and national unity of the newly established African state from the machinations of its former Belgian overlords. Because colonial imperialism in Africa wore a white skin and white-skinned troops were a symbol of oppression, the United Nations recruited colored troops to carry out its mission. It was boasted that the UN would be established in the eyes of the newly awakened freedom fighters in Africa as a champion of the small and weak nations against the large and powerful, of the oppressed against their oppressors, of the exploited against their exploiters.

However, the Belgians and their puppets who had been driven out of the country began returning under protection of the UN military forces. And the newly elected Congolese government officials. were submitted to tremendous pressure to line up in the cold war on the side of the "free world" - which includes, of course, the Belgian colonialists.

When the duly elected premier, Patrice Lumumba, proved recalcitrant he was summarily removed from office by pro-United States president Kasavubu. In a further move, Col. Mobutu sought to

establish dictatorial control through an army coup.

One of the first acts of the reactionary Mobutu-Kasavubu team was to demonstrate their pro-imperialist orientation by ordering all Soviet representatives out of the country.

Moscow's response to this was vigorous championship of Lumumba's cause in the United Nations. Khrushchev exposed million in Latin America (inthe pro-Belgian and pro-American bias of cluding workers not strictly inthe United Nations intervention and de-dustrial). Wages paid out in 1957 — according to information manded the resignation of Hammarskjold. supplied by the businesses con-

The neutral nations, including India, gave varying degrees of support to this billion. About one-tenth of the campaign and Hammarskjold himself began to shift ground. A United Nations commission submitted a scathing criticism of Mobutu and blamed the Belgians for the continued turmoil in the Congo. The commission favored the immediate recall of \$32 billion, and about one-tenth which are wholly or substantithe elected parliament and the establish- was marketed in the United ally American owned. ment of a democratic regime. It opposed States market itself. Profits, if the ousting of Lumumba.

intervened in the United Nations to block vested in the firms concerned, sought profitable outlets for inthese moves and throw its enormous the rest was repatriated as the weight behind Kasavubu as UN delegate cut of American capitalists. from the Congo. Many of the newly in- talists, or others, sent out roughdependent nations of Africa and Asia ly the same amount as new instrenuously objected to this power play in vestment, appearing in the balbehalf of colonialism in the Congo, but ance of payments as such and they could not outvote the fistful of satellite votes at the disposal of the American delegation.

Apropos of this incident, the United rate of growth has been very Nations correspondent of the Christian rapid, especially in manufactur-Science Monitor, writes: "One way of side the Common Market viewing the 53-to-24 vote by which the and the United Kingdom, leader Assembly accepted Mr. Kasavubu's cre- of the "Outer Seven." ("Have a dentials Nov. 22 is that the United States finger in every pie," seems to be has demonstrated its power for the benefit a good business motto in Amerof Ghana and Guinea," two African states Ford take-over shows. who strongly opposed the Kasavubu-Mobotu military dictatorship.

What the United States demonstrated manufacturing has been the on Nov. 22 for the benefit of all of Africa outstanding recent trend. New and the world, was not only "its power" to have its puppets seated in the UN but its by the state of oil prices, while ability to make the United Nations jump profits on U.S. manufacturing through the hoop when Uncle Sam cracks the whip. We trust that the lesson will not 1959 in line with the boom then be lost on the erstwhile colonial peoples proceeding in Europe and other of Africa, Asia and Latin America.

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great and unprecedented growth in the dollar empire Private Investment in Billions of Dollars 1950 1959 throughout the world. Following Direct investment by U.S. firms on the great outflow of dollars - \$11.788 and subsidiaries which, as Marshall aid and mili-Other long-time (portfolio, banks, etc.) 11.41 tary expenditure and "defense" Short term 3.623 aid, helped to restore the strick-Total world after the Second World Government investment 20.004 War came a great outpouring of private lending. Both corre-\$64.779 Total all U.S. overseas investment sponded to the new role which

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Private long-term investmen tended prior period." (My emthrough holding of stock in for eign concerns amounts to nearly The main significant figures \$11.5 billion which is a sizeable are summarized in the accomsum in its own right and is conpanying table. Two things should tinually being added to: it cov be noted. First, the figures are ers a wide geographical and in estimates in certain cases. Secdustrial spread. ond, and this is more important. The big American firms

which dominate American business are often already household words in other countries too, or are becoming

They participate with Indian capital provided by the govern ment in enterprises set up under the plans as well as operating privately for the home market International Business Machines provides equipment made in France for the atom bomb exploded in the Sahara Desert American detergent firms contest with some success the hold of old established British combines on the domestic cleanser seas Investment and European market. American capital builds sewing machines in Japan for Provincial Bank Review, May, sale in the U.S. market and is 1960; B. Thomas, "Recent Trends intertwined with British and in American Investment in South African capital in some of the biggest mining enterprises on the African continent.

These are only some of the ways in which the American capital stake in the world comes to the attention of foreigners Over a wide range of the newer type of consumer goods, for example, American names are prominent in all the advanced countries, and some of the others, where they do not actually dominate the field.

adding to their overseas stake A leading expert on American investment in industry sums up venturing into foreign fields. the position as follows: "beerations can be judged from the fact that as of 1957 it employed, outside the frontiers than those earned at home. . of the United States, an industrial labor force some three My emphasis.)

Foreign Competition?

Some firms, indeed, have market with the output of their States, they also provide a jump- threat. ing off ground from which American capital can increase its share of world market.

To consider the United Kingdom alone, about ten per cent terprises was in the region of of her exports come from firms

As a rich, capital-satiated economy, becoming short on dent group that actively supthe firms are to be believed, ran At this point the United States openly of this was accumulated and in- in the 1950's, the United States spired" strike. vestment wherever they could be found. It is true that capital exports only amount to onetwentieth of domestic capital formation, according to Dunning, whereas in the heyday of capital export from Britain and

Seek Freedom For Glezos

NEW YORK - The Greek ing industry in Germany - in-Glezos demonstrated in front of the Greek Consulate here Nov.

The demonstrators demanded freedom for Emmanuel Glezos. ica.) It is still going on as the Editor of the Greek workingclass paper, "The Dawn." Glezos was railroaded to prison in 1958 As noted, direct investment in for seven years on a charge of collaborating with "communist" organizations. A civilian, he was petroleum investment has falltried by a military tribunal.

en off and has been discouraged George R. Stryker, co-ordinator of the committee, said a petition campaign would be overseas jumped 20 percent in launched here for Glezos' freedom. He said 12,500 had signed a similar petition in Athens in a Indeed, investment and rein- single day.

Growth of the Dollar Empire

one-half to two-thirds. That marks off not only a difference between American capitalism and those of the mature capitalisms of early twentieth century, but a change in the world economy

France before 1914 the ratio was

The important thing is not the elative size of the two figures, but the fact that this investment by American capitalism is of quite vital significance now for the functioning of the profit system. Along with other outlets for capital, it is a vital sustaining force in the economy; at the same time it gives American capitalism a global stake which is threatened by the spread of social revolution and drives it headlong in defense of the "Free World" within which these in- mist of the University of Illinois restments are safe and can

To be noted, too, is the role process at many levels, includng that of a provider of capital. The importance of the other advanced capitalist countries as nvestment fields, and the establishment in them of enterprises which serve the home market also differs from the European capital exports.

Such questions as these deserve careful attention and the basis of the known facts, it reveals serious weaknesses. that American capitalism is basically different: it must export capital, and earnings on of gold, the threat of dollar decapital held overseas contribute valuation and the policy dileman important fraction to the mas which have arisen theretotal flow of surplus value to from. It is worth noting that the American capitalist class, American overseas investment consolidate their power in the to this problem. capitalist world market.

If we look merely at the

enquiries show conclusively that what draws direct investment abroad is the lower unit labor costs to be found there, which depend, in turn upon lower wages.

Average wages and salaries over the whole labor force seem to come out at not much more than \$2,000 annually, which must disguise many cases where wages will be lower.

Industrial wages in American enterprises in the United King dom appear to be about one third that in the parent plants, on an hourly basis. In other countries the ratio must be a good deal less.

Of course, unit costs do not necessarily correspond with wages, but an enquiry undertaken by the National Industrial Conference Board showed that 'unit labor costs were lower than in the United States in the vast majority of cases in European countries." (Thomas, op cit. p. 11.)

The same enquiry "revealed that in 82.6 per cent of the cases United Kingdom production costs were lower or the same as United States costs," while Dunning's own survey showed 85 per. cent. (Dunning, op. cit. p. A survey made by an econo-

on investment in West Germany showed that for "two-thirds of the reporting firms . . . their which government plays in the earnings in Germany were equal to or greater than the profit on similar production in the United States." (Quoted in Thomas, op. cit. p. 13.)

This is only a brief survey of a vast and complex set of problems of a political and economic character. They are, however, "classic" picture of pre-1914 of great actuality in understanding the role and behavior of American capitalism in the modern world. That role is not alstudy. But it cannot be said, on the behavior which accompanies

One result of this, at the present time, is the continuous loss

For one thing, as the "Survey motivations of the individual "additional marketing difficul- of the American party.

ed States exports" - a point which is sometimes overlooked by those whose remedy for the dollar drain is export more and "at least temporarily, the accelerated growth of manufacturing facilities abroad by United States companies, especially in the advanced countries, adds to the problems of adjustment in the United States international balance of payments."

It is doubtful whether either the big firms or the banks will, or can, reduce their overseas investment as long as general conditions, as reflected in their balance sheets, seem to recommend it. In fact, recession at home, or wage claims from American workers, may add to their desire to cash in on cheaper labor and more rapidly growing markets abroad — that is, if what is in prospect is not an international recession which could change the complexion of the whole problem very considerably.

CP Expels

the founding leaders of the Communist party who later became a "theoretical" apologist for the politics and crimes of Stalinism, has been expelled from the party for aiding "antiparty revisionists.'

Bittelman said he first learned of his ouster from the Nov. 24 issue of the party's Yiddish-language spaper, Freiheit, which said he was voted out by the New York CP's Westchester Club on instructions from the national secretariat.

The action, reportedly, was precipitated by Bittelman's publication last summer of a book called "A Communist Views ways played with assurance and America's Future." The work is an elaboration of a 12-installment series he wrote for the Daily Worker in 1957 entitled, "I Take a Fresh Look.

The series was apparently acceptable to the party tops at that time, particularly since it sought to convince the members of the then crisis-racked assisting them in striving to makes an important contribution organization that Khrushchev's sensational 1956 revelations of the crimes of Stalin had no seriof Current Business" points out, ous relationship to the problems

In Other Lands

Student Revolt Spreads in Haiti from 40 to 17 seats. Asahi, the | better democracy for ourselves

Dictator Expels Catholic Primate

tween one-quarter and one-third cipitated a major political crisis nese abhorrence of a "middleon a world scale as a direct em- of the 500 largest United States for the dictatorial regime of of-the-road" policy. ployer, and thence exploiter, of business corporations had sub- President Francois Duvalier. On stantial foreign investments at Nov. 22 the students went on the end of 1959. In not a few strike demanding the release cases the profits earned by such from jail of the Treasurer of three. All Japan's oppositional operations are as high or higher the National Union of Haitian parties combined won 36% of Students, Joseph Roney; and a the total votes cast. (Dunning, J. H., op. cit. p. 10. number of other college students or their immediate trial. Union President

Government officials denounced the strike as "Com- Imprisoned in Chile munist-inspired" and illegal thought fit, not only to run President Duvalier declared their products in the United of siege" for over two years), tions and ordered them to reforeign factories. Such plants turn to classes or be expelled. not only turn out about four The government then advanced times as much as is exported in Christmas holidays 23 days to manufactures from the United avoid a showdown on the

On Nov. 25 Archbishop Francois Poirier, Catholic primate of Haiti; was expelled, charged with giving Communist students \$7,000 to help them overthrow Duvalier. This charge was later revised. The government now claims the archbishop backed a Catholic stu-"Communist-in-

The government issued a communique Nov. 27 announcing a shake-up of Duvalier's general staff and the administration of the National Bank of Haiti. A Catholic newspaper was ordered to publish only official government bulletins on the political crisis. The Association of Labor Unions is rumored preparing a general strike to protest the arrest of student

American Committee to Free Center Party Loses In Japanese Vote

cent elections when the Liberal-Democratic party, headed by Premier Hayota Ikeda, won 296 seats in parliament out of 467. This represented a gain of 13 significance because the district seats. The Socialist party, however, supported by unionists and militant students, also won significant gains. Their representation in parliament increased

the Socialist party, dropped many problems and produce a ices and affairs."

leading Japanese newspaper, and our children. commented editorially that the swamping of the Democratic So-A student revolt in Haiti pre- cialist party confirmed Japa-

> The Communist party increased its seats from one to

Clotario Blest, president of the manufacturing plants abroad but martial law (the people of Central Union of Workers of to cease manufacturing some of Haiti have lived under "a state Chile, was imprisoned Nov. 22 in Santiago. He was charged by States altogether, supplying the dissolved the student organiza- the government with "inciting to revolt and disorder with intent to overthrow the government.' As reported in this column

last week, police attacked a mass demonstration of thousands of workers and students Three were killed and 36 wounded. Blest was among those who were wounded. His imprisonment is now being protested throughout the country.

Ontario Unions Solid for New Labor Party

The recent convention of the Ontario Federation of Labor gave strong support to the Canadian Labor Congress action in forming an independent labor party, reports the Nov. 19 issue of Labor, voice of the railroad brotherhoods. The CLC, Canadian counter-

part of the AFL-CIO, voted at its last convention to launch the \$100 before World War II. new party in cooperation with in the recent Peterborough bylabor sponsored candidate, defeated the Conservative and Liberal candidates for Parliament. The victory had added was long a Conservative strong-

Pittman, who addressed the a standing ovation. Labor reports that he declared the new

Labor also reports: "The convention delegates called for, among other things, a five part program to combat unemployment. This includes stepped-up. rent housing and other public enterprise, and 'adoption of democratic planning for the country's economic ment.

Like the AFL-CIO officialdom, the CLC leaders had long been tied to capitalist politicians who paraded as "friends of labor." But they finally decided they had been sold down the river long enough by these "friends."

Tito Projects **New Constitution**

Pres. Tito announced Nov. 28 that Yugoslavia will have a new constitution in 1962, the third since the monarchy was overthrown.

Although no details were spec-

ified by Tito in his speech, Belgrade dispatches said the projected constitution would further decentralize the administration of the planned economy and give still wider powers to the people.

It was also reported that the role of the Communist party will be reduced in government affairs.

The new constitution would continue the trend in Yugoslavia to reduce the absolutist power of government and to widen the function of workers councils and local communes.

Tito reported that the annual per capita income has now reached \$360 as compared to

He said that the national inthe Cooperative Commonwealth come was growing at the rate of Federation. Even before the about 7 per cent a year, that informal launching of the new dustrial production was four party it won a significant victory times the pre-war volume, that agricultural production was up solidated their regime in the re- election where Walter Pittman, 10 per cent and that educational facilities had increased.

The proposed constitution, Tito said, should "primarily express the fact that the existing relations in Yugoslavia reflect the stage in socialist development at which labor is emancipated in the sense that the citi-Ontario convention, was given zen has the undeniable right to work and acquire an equivalent for his work, while the commun-The Democratic Socialist party expresses "a desire to find ity takes the amount necessary party, a right-wing split-off from sane and logical solutions to our to maintain the common serv-

Japanese conservatives con-

from 122 to 145.

Sequel: A Spliced Sound Track

By Joyce Cowley

Can a documentary picture tell a lie?

It can lie! With the truth forever more strewn on the darkroom floor, It can lie; it can lie; it can

"Operation Abolition," the lying documentary which students are denouncing in this song, was made by selecting and editing parts of newsreels subpoenaed from San Francisco television stations by the House Un-American Activities Committee. The films were used without the knowledge or permission of the owners. No one knows who made "Operation Abolition" or who financed its production and distribution. But three firms are now selling it to big corporations and ultraconservative clubs at \$100 a print.

A few examples of the "editing" will give an idea of the distortion in this film. While the use of police clubs on demonstrators is carefully deleted, the commentary states that students induced a stroke in a policeman by knocking him down, that they charged the barricades and attacked another policeman with his own club. We do not with his own club. see anything in the film to corroborate these false statements.

The film asserts that attempts of the police to talk to the demonstrators were met with boos and jeers. This is accomplished by splicing together sewould reveal the truth.

the hearing room. Designed to ties of any kind because of their ganizing to fight back - to reillustrate the "unruliness," this participation. the room.

fense of Robert Meisenbach, the booked. with his own club.

were arrested during the dem- tion "because she became in- Berkeley 2, Calif.

day before Thanksgiving.

tion in Michael's pocket.

black for me.'

writers to the story and be-

tween them they pieced to-

gether a vivid picture of the

criminally negligent society we

Eileen Weiss, 29, left the chil-

Addressed "to whom it may ing for her.

while photographers sat them three weeks.

on tables, told them to smile,

made strange noises at them

and took their pictures."

The American Way of Life

so if a good "human interest" bars on an abandonment charge.

story comes along the editors The next morning she told her

Gimbels Department Store the them in the store, I left my life."

The Times and the Herald- she slipped away from the

subway fare.

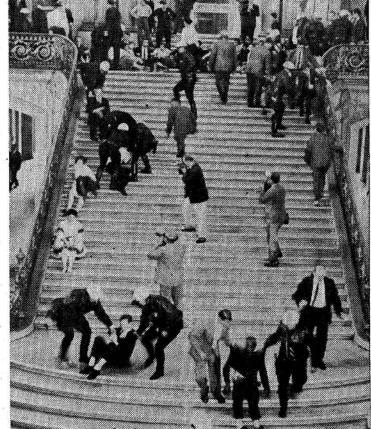
Tribune assigned crack feature engrossed children in the toy

dren, Michael, five, and Maria, suaded her not to. She returned

their medical vaccinations and had been rough. Her rent was

They watched wonderingly procedure that would take Dec. 6.

give it the full treatment. The story to the press.



When Bay Area students protested a House Un-American Activities Committee witch-hunt session at San Francisco City Hall last May they were attacked by cops who used clubs and fire hoses on them. The House Committee replied to public protest by charging that "Communists" had provoked the violence.

A sound track is used when promised there would be no ed by the Kiwanis Club. the film shows witnesses inside police record or future difficul- Bay Area students are or-

is actually a composite sound This summer, one student and to explore the possibility of track, made inside and outside tried to get a passport, for suing the city, since the promise which he required a letter of of no record or reprisals was A student committee bought clearance from the City of San obviously made in bad faith. one of the \$100 prints and is Francisco. Instead of the usual Their first task is to prepare the showing it along with a panel clearance, he received a letter defense of Robert Meisenbach discussion of its misrepresenta- listing the three charges on who goes on trial in January. tions to raise money for the de- which the students were A national tour is being planned

California graduate, has lost a the Bay Area Students Legal When the 68 students who \$2,500 internship with a founda- Aid Fund, 2317B McGee Ave.,

Maybe It Was the Best Thing

The day after a holiday is into action and by Thanksgiving be able to feed them. "I hung

usually a scant one for news, night had the mother behind on to the kids to the last

New York papers got a windfall The children were "the only troubles had mounted over the

like that when a destitute thing I had," she said. "They years. Her mother had died

mother left two children in were my whole life. When I left when she was nine and she ran

department. She went home,

four, in Gimbels toy depart- to her four-room railroad flat her eyes, sipping coffee from

ment with a note of explana- in Brooklyn the next morning a cardboard container and

concern," the note said that the The children's father had left for 'two or three days," re-

that "I love them dearly, but I \$112 a month. For a while the help came. "Big Joe" Rosenfield

have no money, no food and no city welfare department gave of the "Happiness Exchange"

place to go. Things are very her \$76 twice a month. But then radio program raised \$50 for her

Meanwhile, the police swung she was afraid she wouldn't she was getting some help.

Michael and Maria were taken partment social workers and a and a job. On the basis of this

children were Catholics, had her four years ago and the going ported the Herald-Tribune.

She had only 15 cents when

quences taken hours apart and onstrations agreed not to sue volved in a controversy." Carodeleting the sound track which the city, charges against them lyn Mullen, of San Francisco were dropped and they were State, lost a scholarship award-

minute," she said. "I couldn't

desert them-just any place."

away from a "too strict" father-

been among the top 20 per cent.

She decided she would like to

on becoming a legal secretary.

"She spoke with fright in

hands. She had not eaten

In the midst of this ordeal,

In high school her marks had

when she was 18.

hand weren't

dazed, using the 15 cents for study law but she had to settle

She planned to commit sui- It was hard to hold a job

cide, but a girl friend walked though. Her typing and short-

and found two detectives wait- smoking with trembling

the checks stopped coming. De- and is trying to find her a home

It Was Reported in the Press

her and per-

She told reporters how her

fute the slanders against them to raise the necessary funds. student accused of hitting a cop Jane O'Grady, a University of Contributions may be sent to

Another official told Johnston that picketing a U.S. committee hearing "is not the sort of thing a foreign student or visitor to this country should participate in." Johnston said the Immigration official "made it clear to me they did not consider me a

to the Children's Shelter. There, priest advised her to put the assurance, Eileen Weiss was Johnston also reported that reported the Herald-Tribune, children in a foster home, a paroled in Felony Court until the official told him he was She said she was sorry she being expelled because of Her money was running had abandoned the children but "pressure" from Congress. out, the children's father fail- maybe it was the best thing she Which congressmen applied ed to provide any funds and could have done because now the "pressure" was not dis-

Calif. Student Wins Stay of **Deportation**

SAN FRANCISCO - John Robert Johnston, the University of California graduate student ordered deported for picketing the House Un-American Activities Committee, was granted permission to remain here until Aug. 31, 1961. This should give him time to complete his work for a Ph. D. in physics.

Johnston, who came here from Scotland to do his graduate work at the University of California in Berkeley. joined the protest movement against the House Committee witch-hunt hearings held here last May. He made his home available for a meeting on the issue, collected signatures to a campus petition and joined the picket line at City Hall. He was not among those arrested when police attacked the demonstrators.

The Nov. 22 stay of the expulsion order came within 24 hours after a campus rally of more than 300 students and faculty members had protested the cancellation of Johnston's student visa and after a British Member of Parliament had protested directly to Secretary of State Herter. The case has been widely publicized in the press here.

Charles Beechie, Immigration Service district director, emphasized that the stay was "an extension of the date for voluntary departure in lieu of deportation." He insisted the decision was his own and not the result of public pressure. He was concerned, he said, over the "potential loss" to the university's academic program. Johnston is an instruc-

tor and research worker. Johnston and his wife Janet, a school teacher, were questioned last August by Immigration officials about their participation in the antiinquisition demonstration. On Sept. 3 he was informed by letter that he must leave the country by Oct. 1. No explanation was given. The ouster date was extended to Nov. 15 because Mrs. Johnston was about to give birth to their second child. Both children are U.S. citizens. Meanwhile the family made plans to migrate to Canada where Johnston hoped to complete his studies.

When the original deportation order was issued, an Immigration Service spokesman told Johnston he had not maintained his "status as a bona fide student." Beechie told newsmen at the time that Johnston's participation in the protest action was one of the reasons for the action but added darkly that there were "other factors" which he was "not at liberty to discuss," even with Johnston.

risk to U.S. security."

That Odd Taste in Our

By M. L. Stafford

Sparkling clean water. That's almost as abundant as fresh air, isn't it? A glass of thirst-quenching H2O is as near as your kitchen faucet!

enriched."

Today it's different. Pollution of ment calculates that by 1980 ed from the present 75 to pos- in 40 years per capita use of our water resources is growing \$44.5 billion will have to be sibly 300. at such a rapid rate that few added to the municipal antipolcities in America can feel as- lution bill which has already sured about the safety of their cost the nation's communities

to look at the facts. Among them million. are the Wall Street Journal and Labor's Economic Review. Gordon McCallum, chief of the Public Health Service Division of Water Pollution, put it like this: "Despite increased efforts, the problem of water pollution is growing worse rather than better. All the facts indicate that we are not doing enough."

The increase in pollution is due to many factors. Chief among them is a rise in industrial wastes. America's water sources are being made unfit, says Labor's Economic Review "by rotting vegetable matter, silt, corrosive chemicals, industrial oil, dead fish, acids, germs of myriad kinds including viruses—of typhoid, dysentery and cholera—canning filth, dyes, radioactive wastes, effluents from hospitals and mortuaries, slaughterhouse leavings and many other pollutants."

In the rivers, streams and lakes serving about 100 million people, there are some 30,500 industrial and sewage outlets.

Four Times Over

Towns in the crowded Ohio Valley use water up to four times on its way downstream, the sewage of one town entering the water system of the next. The St. Louis Post-Dispatch comments that "the world's cleanest people . . . bathe with scented fats and drink a factory's slime."

'Of course, our water company cleans up the liquid for us — this same liquid in which not even hardy carp can live - by

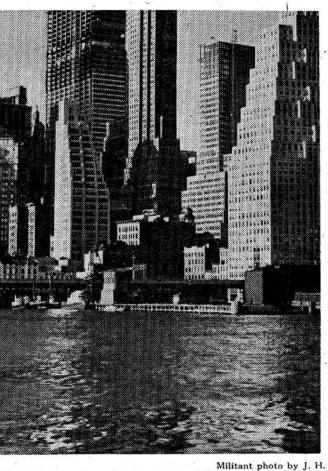
other chemicals from upstream. goes into sampling water sources "The water is not, of course, cleaned up again before it is put back in the river, it is re-To purify such water over and sampling stations on interstate

\$25 billion. This is not a grim warning This year the federal govern- new problem — radioactive pol- more steeply, from the 280 biloffered by a socialist agitating ment is spending only \$50 mil- lution — involves quantities so lion gallons a day now to perfor an over-all change of our lion on the antipollution project, minute as to almost defy present haps one trillion gallons a day. economic system. It's the reluction it is estimated that to sampling methods. Yet radioact Yet America's total available tant conclusion of many auth- clean up the St. Louis sewage tive wastes are among the most water supply is estimated to be orities who have been compelled problem alone will cost \$150 worrisome because of their can-only 650 billion gallons a day.

to determine the degree of pollution. Even in this area, the Public Health Service estimates that the network of pollution That's the way it used to be. over again, the federal govern- streams will have to be increas- crease, it is estimated that with-

New Problem

cer-inducing nature.



Manhattan is shown to hundreds of thousands of tourists each year as the world's richest and most fabulous city. However, those skyscrapers, described as the ultimate in cubism, are more and more frequently lost in smog; and the water surrounding the island, once teeming with fish, has become a cesspool. This documentary picture, taken by daring photographer at risk of falling in, shows where sewage of the East River meets the sewage of the Hudson.

Even if this stupendous lag between present needs and present facilities is bridged, the problem is far from licked. The present supply of drinkable water is limited.

At the current rate of inwater will rise from its present 147 gallons a day to as much as 225 gallons. With increased pop-Detecting methods will have ulation and industry, the actual to be expanded as well, for a total demand may rise even

> The federal government's "solution" to this pressing problem is to demand more action from local communities. Most municipalities, however, find the problem beyond their resources. Others are unconcerned. In St. Joseph, Mo., a bond issue to finance a \$19.5 million sewage system to cut pollution in the Missouri River was twice voted down.

> Republicans and Democrats. who readily enough vote \$40 billion a year for armaments each time they're asked, take the easy-going attitude that this is one problem you can lightly flush down the drain. The Democrats patted themselves on the back for keeping a \$50 million appropriation for the antipollution project when Eisenhower asked that it be cut to \$20 million on the ground that pollution was "a uniquely local blight."

> Eisenhower has now called for a National Conference on Water Pollution to be held Dec. 12-14 in Washington. Labor's Economic Review, which is an AFL-CIO publication, notes that the unions have only one representative on the steering committee. The rest of this top group is dominated by business representatives.

> The AFL-CIO is calling for "a national water policy solidly integrated with a national resources and energy policy."

> But without a single representative of the labor movement in either the Senate or the House of Representatives, the appeal seems unlikely to get very far.

Letters from Our Readers

A World of Peace

Editor:

I have found much of interest in the copies of the Militant sent to me recently and wish to subscribe for such length of time Let's Fish Hard as the enclosed \$5 will pay for.

Your efforts to help advance Editor: the welfare of your fellowmen of every color, creed and clime and a brief word of encouragewill, I feel certain, bear fruit, ment to the party. Be it agreed perhaps sooner than the doubt- we didn't score a touchdown in Editor: ers and dissenters suspect.

ple" are on the march, demandso let's fish hard for the future. will not be the Militant's last SWP returns available to us in ing an end to the insane policy for the right to live their lives well out here. I didn't have the ditional issues I want to ques- available.—Editor.] out in peace and service to their pleasure of seeing or hearing tion his effort to cite "the widefellowmen.

Yours for a world of peace. Carl A. Ryan Secretary-Treasurer, World Peace Association Jenkins, Minn.

Didn't Vote

Editor:

cerning your campaign tasks. people like you. Your party wasn't on the ballot here and probably with the bigoted nature of people in this area, it would be a hard fight Merry-Go-Round to get it on.

I did not vote at all. To me there is no difference in the major parties as long as both are advocating capitalism to keep the rich rich. Please enter my

Tennessee

have cancelled scheduled stu- of espionage (that's a \$10 word other sellout. dent productions of "Death for spying) Allen W. Dulles can I voted for all the candidates Editor:

school spokesman had no com- Besides confirming the cops, wise. Why was our vote not of how many votes Dobbs and For Brainwashing ment on the Genet work but Kennedy specifically rejected considered? This is not the first Weiss received. Are they not New Deterrent? — The Army said Sartre's play was cancelled any thought of intervening to time this has happened to the counted yet, are you afraid to Chemical Corps is expanding merely because it is "bad the- "liberalize" Congress, saying vote cast by me, but I consider print them, or do the election I sure could use reprints of Above the Law? - The At- production facilities at its Pine ater." All of Sartre's works are that he thought it was up to it about time that we demand officials just throw votes for your Nov. 14 article on the "Nuat New York's swank Waldorf

Towers

Above the Law? — The At- production facilities at its Pine ater. All of Sartre's works are that he thought it was up to it about time that we demand of the same kind of sartre's works are that he thought it was up to it about time that we demand of the land home of Frank Bacon, a Bluff, Ark., arsenal to begin on the Vatican's Index of Pro
Congress itself to make any rule our rights as American citizens. Minority parties in the wastethe same kind of "sheltor" at the patent has been issued for a His 10-year-old son Carl was agent." The Arkansas Gazette Thought for the Week - ". . . tive congressmen can thumb porations which operate and I find the articles in the Milit- people. tape-recording method of play- cut by flying glass and his wife says the grenade "causes burn- war could be one of Nature's their noses at liberal attempts to control the means of production. ant, Young Socialist and - if I sure enjoy your paper, es-

til someone puts in a dime for chieftain, J. Edgar Hoover, had sons incapable of effective ac- John M. Cummings in the Nov. off to a happy afternoon clip- sion. It is such dictatorial abuse Workers party on most issues.

Roy Gale

Just salutations to your staff

Frank Lovell is calling each word on the subject. shot and hitting his mark very Farrell Dobbs on TV or radio, spread splitting of votes" as but judging from the response, "an evidence of the rise in poli-he set fire to a lot of coattails. tical consciousness."

Got His Deer

Chicago who threatens to can see or measure. On the con-time before we know how many I received your literature conhelp and America needs more gress, so ballot-splitting must You may not be interested in

A. C. Gregerson

on the wall. Woe to the tyrants be like if there were 50 indewho will not heed the warning. pendent bickering countries in-

Disputes Point

In Analysis of Vote

we dight score a touchdown in the election, but from the many letters of interest we sure into the election and dissenters suspect.

Keep up the good work! Milletters of interest we sure interest we sure into the election interest we sure that Joseph Hanity party votes accurately or to sen's article in the Nov. 14 issue report them with reasonable distributions of the world's "little peo-

May I comment on the letter First of all, ballot-splitting did

splitting in general 'can be our views and getting our litequated to increased political erature out to the workers. I'll consciousness. It may have that be plugging along for our side. The great American circus of meaning in some cases; in Nov. 8 is over with and millions others, it definitely doesn't. A of dollars have been spent on good portion of it results from be the same old merry-go-round. for the man, not the party," Double Bouquet The elephant and the donkey which in my opinion is a sign are back in their old quarters of low or primitive political

George Breitman

and I know others who did like- surprised no mention was made

If we are then also denied the you'll pardon me saying this - pecially Frank Lovell's articles. When no records are being Local police announced they irritation of the respiratory pas- rapidly increasing population. It should also warm the right to choose leaders who will the New America, very inter- My wife and I and a friend played, the advertising starts had no lead on the case. The sages and other temporary ef- of the world. It may be more cockles of the hearts of the Wall really represent us we are esting, although I do not entire- voted your ticket, so we were automatically. It continues un- usually headline-happy FBI fects which make exposed per- effective than birth control."— Street tycoons and send them largely without political expres- ly agree with the Socialist for a good cause.

stead of states. The same holds true with the countries of the world. Unite, and you have no reason for war. Viva Castro!

Berkeley, Calif.

[Election boards are notorious for their failure to count minor-Without waiting to read ad- to report them as they become

rell should "go back to Russia." elected president while the I was up in Northern Minne-Don't go Farrell. The Russians Democrats captured Congress, sota fishing and hunting, so I are doing nicely without our This year the Democrats won missed some of our good speak-

have been reduced, not increas- the above, but it's my fun after 46 years railroading. But any-Second, I doubt that ballot- way I'm always concerned about

> P. G. Hedlund Minneapolis

Editor: We appreciated Joe Hansen's

the professional clowns, are split their ballot for that reason the differences between the heading back to Washington to I don't know. But neither do SWP and the SLP and thought good bit to straighten out this particular difference.

Also, the elimination of column rules on page 4 of the Militant makes a much more attractive page - congrats to whoever thought that up.

> W.C. Minneapolis

changes. With this assurance of Most Americans are at the ab-basket? Please make some men-the same kind of "shelter" at the nonintervention, the conserva- solute mercy of the large cor- tion of this in your next edition. City Hall here to brainwash the

Geneva, N. Y.

of socialism.

mer Cuban dictator Fulgencio delphia magistrate cancelled a Batista is considering a half- slated hearing Nov. 17 against Happy Thanksgiving-A premillion-dollar island in the Ba- Edward Kelleher on charges of Thanksgiving check of 100 hamas for his new home, the not paying a three-year-old stores by the New York De-Associated Press reports. Batis- hospital bill of \$60.33. The partment of Markets found 35 ta had planned to retire to his magistrate was informed that at which turkey and other meats palatial estate at Daytona the defendant is nine years old. were sold at short-weight. Most Beach, Fla., but the State De- The constable's office agreed to of the heavy-thumb operators Watch" by Jean Genet and "No continue his nefarious activities of the SWP whose names appartment felt that his presence stop sending summonses and were found in the low-income partment felt that his presence stop sending summonses and were found in the low-income Exit" by Jean Paul Sartre. Both at the Central Intelligence peared on the Minnesota ballot edition of the Minnesota ballot edition edi in an area where Cuban "libera- dunning letters threatening to Bedford-Stuyvesant, Brownstion" mercenaries are being attach his "salary." The boy's ville and East New York sectrained might be embarrassing, parents had assumed the bill tions of Brooklyn. Meanwhile, the ex-tyrant is loll- for minor surgery was covered ing on an island off Portugal by hospital insurance.

and his wife and children are Negro railroad employe, was manufacture of a new grenade hibited Books.

Keep Those Dimes Handy—A blasted by dynamite Nov. 19. described as a "riot control" ing commercials on jukeboxes. and daughter were shaken up. ing and watering of the eyes, ways of coping with the change things. no comment.

Joyous Noel — Vice-Admiral Note to House Committee— One Promise They Kept — Doublespeak — "The United subscription to your paper.

Elton Grenfell says that the nu- The New York Board of Re- The government estimates that States is sending a small group H.P. clear submarine, George Wash- gents has gone back to the retired couples over the age of of Navy ships on a carefully ington, which is carrying 16 term "social studies" to de- 65 need a monthly income of timed visit to the west coast of hydrogen-bomb missiles capable scribe courses in geography, \$220 to \$280 for a modest but Africa to 'show the flag' and Don't Point at Him of destroying a good part of the history, government and eco-adequate living standard if they make friends." - Nov. 23 New world, will be at sea during nomics. It had dropped the are city dwellers. The average York Times. Christmas. He expressed the term in 1950 in favor of "citi- Social Security payment for a Batista Doing Nicely — For- Wait Till He's 21 — A Phila- than minimum living costs,

tion."

never intended to provide more street study. The cost of 31 the president-elect to continue III. basic foods was 3.9 per cent harassing union militants, civil- The nation's rubes and the higher than a year ago.

ties at Catholic-operated Ford- "justice."

17 Philadelphia Inquirier.

Well, I voted for Dobbs and disintegrate and collapse. The peace is a world government. don't point at me.

San Francisco

from the man named Dobbs in not show any increase that I and I suppose it will be some change his name and says Far- trary, in 1956 a Republican was votes our candidates got.

that event, and it will obviously the notion that you should "vote eating hay from the same man- consciousness. ger. The chief object of interest, What portion of the voters discussion with Vernon Lind on The first payoff on the election get in contact with the nation's you. And without some evidence it the best thing done on this hope that the submarine's mis- zenship education" because retired couple is about \$125 a Tighten Your Belt - Food came when Kennedy announced confidence men and the back- to back it up, Hansen's gener- particular question, Lord knows sion will give the seasonal some members of the board month. Commenting on the discosts increased five weeks in a he would keep the nation's two room boys to instigate new alization about ballot-splitting there's enough confusion about theme of peace on earth, "a true felt the original phrase smacked parity, federal officials empha- row to reach a new peak Nov. chief cops on the job. J. Edgar forms of legalized robbery and does not and cannot have much socialism and I think he did a sized that the payments were 22, according to a Dun & Brad- Hoover thus has the blessing of plan when to set off World War weight.

> rights leaders, "reds" and all helpless victims, who took in other persons who happen to this customary performance, Why No Report Sheer Coincidence-Authori- disagree with his concept of will soon realize that they have again been made the victims of ham University in New York Similarly the chief organizer misplaced confidence and an- On SWP Votes?

which causes governments to I believe the only answer to

Weiss, so when things go sour hand of destiny is now writing Imagine what the USA would R.S. Jenkins, Minn.

D. T.

Well, now the election is over