Why Attlee Has Issued Call for New Elections

In what appeared in the U.S. press as a surprise move, Prime Minister Clement Attlee announced last Wednesday that general elections would be held in Great Britain on

Oct. 25. In actual fact, a fall election was generally expected on the party in power the advantage the other side of the Atlantic. While an election was more or less taken for granted the exact date was not known. Choosing law, elections for Parliament the election date is the prerogative (by constitutional tradition) of the Prime Minister and is kept secret for the purpose of giving

M. Weiss Explains **Socialist Program Over Ohio Radio**

CLEVELAND, Sept. 23 national speaking tour, Myra Tanner Weiss was interviewed in a public service broadcast on radio station WSRS here yesterday by Jean Simon, local correspondent of The Militant.

cies of both the Stalinist and Trumanite administrations in Asia, and gave her views on what She also announced that she the lessons of the Korean War and the outlook for America, at a public meeting at the Socialist 10609 Superior Ave., that even-

.The evening meeting, the first in the new Cleveland SWP branch headquarters, was attended by a number of union militants new to socialist ideas and interested in learning more. The audience contributed generously in a collection to further the educational and other activities of the Socialist Workers Party, and many workers remained for refreshments and informal discussion for several hours after the adjournment of the meeting.

A considerable number of books and pamphlets was purchased, and a number of persons asked to be notified when a scheduled series of lectures on "The Truth About the First American Revolution, 1776," would begin.

Mrs. Weiss concluded her talk with an explanation of the differences between the demagogic phrase-mongering of the Truman ministration about the "revolutionary principles of American democracy" - which actually aims at maintaining the status change from a class-divided society of war and insecurity to a classless socialist society of peace security, and opportunity for all.

in mapping campaign strategy. Why was an election expected

this fall? According to British tative of the will of the people. They had the majority, slim as their margin was. That margin had proved sufficient to put through the bill nationalizing the steel industry last year against the bitter opposition of the capitalist class. The reason for Preceding one of the most suc- Attlee's expected dissolution of cessful meetings of her current Parliament and call for immediate elections lies in the mounting social crisis in Great Britain, and in the world political situation of which it is a part.

The Labor Party won by a landslide in 1945 when the Mrs. Weiss criticized the poli- masses, tired of war and of capitalist rule, overwhelmingly turned to socialism for a solution and swept Churchill's consersocialism would mean in America. vatives out of the seats of government. What the leadership of would discuss in greater detail the Labor Party gave the working people in the course of the next five years was not socialism, to be sure, but a series of reform Workers Party headquarters, and nationalization measures which appeared to lay the groundwork for socialism.

The reformist, policies of the Labor leadership could not long maintain on its side the large sections of the middle class which had been swept along in the landslide of 1945. These layers could see only the end result: continued "austerity" of the same of the capitalist class, of its the workers with whom they shared the general austerity. In short, a picture of irresolution rather than of a steady march toward the new social system they convention now drawing to a looked for.

large scale defection of the come up with a single answer Joseph D. Keenan, retiring head the Conservative Party. Only a ers. ary program of the Socialist the Labor government, giving it must be defeated in 1952. These end in failure. Workers Party for a fundamental a slight edge in the House of include five Southern Democrats Commons.

(Continued on Page 2)

SWP COUNCIL CANDIDATE IN N.Y. RADIO INTERVIEW

By Harry Ring (Campaign Manager)

NEW YORK, Sept. 26 - Michael Bartell, Socialist Workers candidate for President of the N. Y. City Council, had his first interview today, and took the occasion to

present the socialist answer to the problem of crime and corrup- the election of a labor administion in the city government. This tration that would sweep out all has become a sizzling issue in this campaign, as a result of the over- and their appointees, fire the powering stench generated by the whole crooked labor-baiting, Nerecent exposures of the tie-up of gro-hating command of the police the underworld with the police force, and turn over the adminis-

Rudolph Halley, who is the candidate of Dubinsky's Liberal mass organizations of the Negro Party although proclaiming his loyalty to the Democratic Party, has seized on the publicity he got as chief counsel for the Kefauver by the police of protection money committee (for the usual fat fee, from the bookies was far from of course) as a golden opportunity being the most dastardly crime to ride into office on a "clean government" campaign. After all, if O'Dwyer, (one of the central figures in the whole scandal) and Dewey, (who, for some mysterious reason sprung Lucky Luciano), could achieve fame and fortune by this kind of fake gang-busting crusade, why not Halley?

interviewer as to how the Socialist Workers Party would tackle this problem, Bartell pointed out WOULD CURB COPS that "clean government" dem-

way to clean up City Hall is by criminals.

the grafting, thieving politicians and the entire city administration. tration of city affairs and law enforcement to elected representatives of the labor unions and and Puerto Rican people.

The SWP candidate pointed out in addition that the acceptance perpetrated by the New York cops. He stated that in his opinion the brutal assaults, the crippling and murder of innocent, unarmed people, especially in the Negro and Puerto Rican districts, by sadistic cops is a far more serious crime, for which not a single cop has ever been punished and a In answer to the question of the crime about which Halley has not a single word to say.

A labor administration, Bartell agogues come and go - usually explained, would fire every cop up the ladder of successful pol- who ever laid a hand on a striker itical careers for themselves - or an innocent Negro or Puerto but crime and corruption remain, Rican citizen, and transform the 16,000 out of the plant's 19,000 of the Carey leadership of the merely because it waves the flag anti-Stalinist union leaders (noand will continue as long as the police department from an agency employees went to the polls and lile was greater and greater and promises to deliver them from tably national CIO vice-president can only have a heartening and city is controlled by capitalist which employs terror against where redbaiting received a spec- reliance on pure and simple red- the grip of Stalin. politicians, either of the Repub- striking workers and members of tacular and decisive rebuff. lican or Democratic variety, in- racial minorities, into a power cluding so-called "independents." which protects the people against Stalinist-dominated United Elec-

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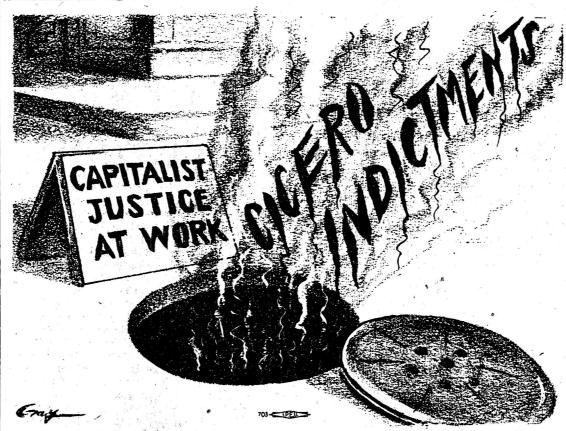
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United Action Is Urgent Need The Labor majority elected in February 1950 could have remained in power until 1955, even though Winston Churchill and the Tories clamored that the Labor government was not representative of the will of the people. In Fight On Cicero Frameups Contained that the Labor government was not representative of the will of the people.



type as during the war, which meant a permanent reduction in their living standards; the revival profits, of its political party; on the other hand, slight gains for the workers with whom they

By Joseph Andrews

of February 1950 witnessed a American labor — but has not Business-controlled Congress.

In a political resolution setting The sharpening of the world says, were responsible for the Council on the selection of presipolitical situation, the warming Taft-Hartley Law. Why all the dential candidates for 1952, by Senators and Congressmen who voted for Taft-Hartley are not in-

In this political "plan," there s not a word said about how the to support. labor movement is to defeat these Senators, or who the workers should put in their places.

THE "NEW POLICY"

the AFL's "new policy" following policy program: instead of freeing themselves from Kaesong. from these ties in order to pursue an independent political course, for "organic unity." the AFL leadership has reaffirmed the old Gompers formula tion resolution stated, "is no large-scale raiding.

of rewarding labor's "friends" | Kai-shek and the strengthening Sept. 26 - The AFL's 70th and punishing enemies.

There is nothing in this pro-

middle class layers who voted for that fits the needs of the work- of the LLPE, said, "If we do our job right in 1952, our votes might World War III, and its intervenof the British workers, sensing in forth the aims of Labor's League However, I'm not bragging ahead a Tory comeback a threat to their for Political Education, the con- of time." Such caution is wellgains and to their future, saved vention listed 19 Senators who advised. The program can only

The convention also endorsed and 14 Republicans who, the AFL the outlook of the Executive stating it would not "interfere" in the choice of candidates by cluded on the list was not ex. Republicans or Democrats. After both parties have chosen candidates, the AFL will decide which

The convention adopted a posi-This proposal is in line with a partial list of the AFL foreign to raid the CIO.

its withdrawal from the United 1. 100% endorsement of the Harry Lundberg, President of HEAVY PENALTIES Labor Policy Committee. The Korean war, including the con-AFL hierarchy complain that the duct of the truce negotiations, AFL, and Dave Beck are plan-CIO was too closely tied to the and of the U.S. demand that the ning a joint offensive against prison and fined up to \$5,000. Democratic Party machine. But place of the parleys be moved CIO unions on the West Coast.

2. Endorses aid to Chiang

of his forces on Formosa.

3. Endorses the Atlantic miliclose in San Francisco, has raised gram that offers the slightest tary alliance, which includes As a consequence, the elections all the important issues facing chance of transforming the Big deals with Franco Spain and totalitarian Greece.

In short, the AFL leaders back all the U.S. imperialist plans for fighting for their independence.

The question of unity between the AFL and CIO occupied a large part of the time of the convention. The AFL leadership, tried to move into; George C. endorsed by the convention, repudiated the CIO's position for Charles Edwards, rental agent of united front actions on specific man, who allegedly distributed a ssues - in favor of a demand Communist Party leaflet entitled substitute (for organic unity) and "End Mob Rule in Cicero" several cannot be accepted by the AFL." weeks after the riot.

Behind this refusal to continue the joint efforts of CIO and AFL five charged "conspiracy to intion on foreign affairs which in a set-up like the United Labor jure property. . . by causing a gives unqualified support to Policy Committee, is a threat to depreciation in the real estate every reactionary policy of the take advantage of the present market price by renting to Ne-U.S. State Department. Here is numerical superiority of the AFL groes," conspiracy to damage

It was recently announced that the Seafarers International Union,

for organic unity, the AFL dicted Police Chief Erwin Konovthreatens to further aggravate sky, who had assaulted Clark be-"Functional unity," the conven- the division in labor's ranks by fore the riot and ordered him to

INNOCENT ARE INDICTED, Basic Rights GUILTY GO SCOT-FREE Of the People

Try to imagine this: A striker is peacefully picketing his plant. A gang of strikebreakers come out, armed with Are at Stake clubs and blackjacks, and start to beat him up. A cop

other way until they have rinish- | not enforced the injunction to ed their dirty work. Then ne protect Clark against violence. drags the striker off to jan on charges of "inciting to riot."

George Leighton of the NAACP,

A grand jury was called in Cook County to investigate the anti-Negro riot, which had aroused world-wide protest and condemnation. 117 persons had been arrested at the scene of the outrage, many of them in the act of burning and destroying parts of the building.

HOODLUMS EXONERATED

But the grand jury did not take any action against any of the 117. It also refused to take any action against the white supremacist, Joseph Beauharnais, leader of the White Circle League, who had openly incited the mob and distributed anti-Negro literature.

NAACP attorney Leighton; Mrs. Camille DeRose, former owner of the property Clark had Adams, her former attorney; functional unity" — that is, for the property; and Norman Silver-

If convicted, they could be sentenced to one to five years in

Of the People

standing by turns his head the 3-

That is what the Cicero case is that the indictment against Kolike. The police looked the other novsky, charging misconduct in way while a mob, incited by rac- public office, entails nothing ists, ran wild for several days stronger than possible fine and

and gutted the apartment rented by Harvey E. Clark Jr., Negro bus driver. Clark's attorney, then went to court and filed sunt to live in a home he rented, a slap for \$200,000 damages and for a contempt citation against the cial who acted in disregard of that Cicero police who had violated an | right, and complete immunity for injunction ordering them to protect Clark and his property.

Instead, the grand jury, which was lily-white in composition, handed down indictments against five people, all of whom were whom were not even present when it took place. They were:

The indictments against the property, and conspiracy to incite

In an attempt to pretend im-Thus, under cover of a demand partiality, the grand jury also inget out of town, and who had

The phony nature of this "impartiality" was shown by the fact possible loss of his job.

That is capitalist justice, Cook County style: Jail for people who believe that a Negro has a right on the wrist for the police offithe fascistic elements who instigated the anti-Negro riot.

(See Page 4 for report from Chicago on the latest developments in the case.)

What They Said About Cicero

Walter White, NAACP executive secretary: The indictment is "one of the gravest threats to the Negro's fight for equal justice which has yet developed. If George Leighton can be indicted in Illinois for resorting to the courts to protect the civil rights of Harvey Clark or any other Negro, it is not difficult to imagine what will happen to lawyers, Negro or white, in the South or other parts of the country, when they appeal to the courts for redress of racial injustices. The action of the Cook County grand jury is intimidation of the most vicious

Michael Mann, regional CIO director: "Legally fantastic and morally outrageous."

Sidney Williams, Chicago Urban League executive secretary: "An atrocity against democracy.'

Chicago Sun Times: "The same frame of mind that possessed the rioters. . . . In failrioters, the grand jury threw another rock into the Clark flat. It condoned mob rule and issued an open invitation to any would-be rioters in Cook County to emulate the Cicero tactics if and when their community faces a similar situation.'

President Truman: " - "

The Cicero indictments are a challenge to the labor movement, the Negro people and every American interested in preventing frameups and protesting injustice, As Walter White of the NAACP

has pointed out, if a lawyer can be indicted in Illinois for going into court to defend the rights of a Negro victim of mob violence, there is nothing to stop the spread of such practices to the South and other parts of the country.

If the capitalist class can get away with such a frameup of Negroes, it will be emboldened to attempt the same methods to intimidate the labor unions, opponents of war, inflation and the witch-hunt, and anyone else who fights the evils of capitalism.

That is why the challenge must be accepted. It's fight or run for labor, the Negro people and their allies. And running in this case will not remove the sword that is poised over them, ready to cut their democratic rights to shreds.

ASIA'S INTEREST

The Cicero case is explosive. not only because it directly concerns the liberties of the people of Cook County, Illinois, and the U.S. as a whole, but also because it is regarded as a test of Washington's "democratic" pretenses by millions of people in Asia, Africa and Europe. The N. Y. Times buried the story of the grand jury indictments in a few paragraphs on Page 22, without any indication that the five who were indicted for "conspiracy" were opponents rather than instigators of the riot. But in the Far East the story must have received entirely different treat-

Reports of the riot were given front page headlines in Asia last July. Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, then in Singapore on his recent Far East junket, felt it necessary to publicly condemn the Asian grand jury suffered from the | newspapers for featuring the riot story so prominently. He assured the peoples of Asia that ing to act against any of the this was unwarranted because "the incident" was "both vigorously suppressed and prosecuted by public authorities."

This lie has now been exposed. The many millions who were indignant about the riot will not be silent about the whitewashing of the guilty and the persecution of the innocent. Their voices will be heard and felt in America as well as Asia

FIGHT CAN BE WON Some frameups are hard to

fight because the facts relating to them are unknown or in doubt. But it is not like that with the Cicero case. The facts are so well known, the nauseating stench of the frameup is so strong, that it will not be difficult to arouse a tremendous storm of protest.

This means that the Cicero frame-ups can be smashed if the labor, Negro and liberal movements apply themselves vigorously to the job that has to be

The ruling class must be shown that the American people will not tolerate this frameup and that These are still only straws in they will fight it energetically the wind; they don't mean the until the day that the victims end of the witch-hunt, which its of the grand jury have been exonerated and the instigators of

> The grand jury showed that it does not pay to rely on the that justice is done. The people have to rely on themselves, on

ls Redbaiting Losing Its Effectiveness?

By George Breitman

Redbaiting, although there is litical trends, when almost any ditions than the UE had done. crime against civil liberties has been condoned in the name of MAIN KEYNOTE

definite reversal of previous po- on its promise to win better con-

"anti-communism," recent events But after the IUE - CIO had point to the rise of new views and brought a majority of the memnew moods on this question among bers within its fold, it became important sections of the popula- clear that the new leadership is The most significant of these inists so far as ability to secure at Schenectady evidently have was the Sept. 14 NLRB election improved wage and working con- had their fill of witch-hunting baiting may already have reached at the huge General Electric plant ditions is concerned. This halted smears; at any rate, they do not the peak of its effectiveness are: in Schenectady, N. Y., where over the pro-IUE pattern; the answer see any reason to join a union

the confidence of a majority of and a lot of organizers were When Acheson is demounced as recently, few Senators felt it was the unionized electrical workers, thrown into this campaign, which a communist on grounds that are safe to even mention them); and no letup in its use by the witch- who wanted to remain within the Carey and the other CIO leaders ratently false and for reasons even the increasing frequency hunters, appears to be losing mainstream of the labor move- were exultantly positive they that are plainly reactionary, a some of its effectiveness. Whether ment and who expected that the would win. They got an im- considerable section of the popuor not this is the beginning of a new IUE-CIO would make good portant assist from the govern- lation gets an education in the worst excesses of the witch-hunt Committee.

was beaten, and beaten badly - and not political, institutions. by a vote of 11,542 for UE to essentially the same as the Stal- 4,852 for IUE. The GE workers

When the CIO expelled the for replacing the UE in the imone thing, the repeated attacks movement; the greater boldness foreshadow the coming mass strength, mass action. Nothing Bartell contended that the only strikebreakers, racehaters and trical Workers two years ago and Redbaiting was the main key- "communist dominated" have (Benton, Lehman, etc.) are ob- talitarianization of the United campaign of united action will do set up a rival union in this in- note of the IUE campaign at the made many people more hesitant jecting to the practices of Mc- States.

dustry, the new organization had | Schenectady plant. A lot of money to credit such charges in general. | Carthy and McCarran (until workers their unions are still But it didn't work. The IUE predominantly bread-and-butter,

OTHER SIGNS

Other signs indicating that red-

Frank Rosenblum) that the witch- encouraging effect on the forces mass meetings, picket lines, baiting as the chief instrument What accounts for this? For hunt is a threat to the labor opposing the witch-hunt. For they demonstrations of independent

with which Truman tries to dissociate himself from some of the ment on the eve of the election real purpose of redbaiting. While he started (which may mean that in the form of indictments of UE the specter of communism has Truman, who is a shrewd polileaders and threats of investiga- been inflated in the press and on tician, senses a growing rejection tions by the House Un-American the air, for many (if not most) of the whole business among the American people).

> directors and beneficiaries intend to continue until they meet the riot punished. widespread and active resistance. But while caution is called for in The public recognition by some appraising their exact significance capitalist authorities to assure and weight, these developments

Notebook of an Agitator

A PETITION FOR HARRY GROSS

You have to be careful what you sign these days; it can get you into all kinds of trouble, and first thing you know you are pegged as subversive and put on the blacklist. But if they come around to me with a petition for the unconditional pardon of Harry Gross, the fall guy in the Brooklyn cops and bookies scandal, I'll make it a matter of principle and sign it. And if the petition adds another point calling for Judge Leibowitz to be put in jail in place of Gross, I'll sign it twice.

I would sign the first part of the petition - for the pardon of Gross - not because I am a sentimental admirer or sympathizer of crooks, big or little. I don't see anything glamorous or admirable about racketeers; and I care still less for the cops who are in cahoots with them and without whom they could not operate. Their incentive is money and material advantages for themselves at the expense of others. That is not my idea of a hero; and ordinarily I wouldn't go out of my way to do them any favors, not even so much as signing my name to a petition. But I do believe in a sense of proportion. And I don't care for hypocritical talk about justice when the whole thing is lopsided and discriminatory, and the punishment is dealt out to minor offenders while the big criminals come out unscathed.

Gross, by all accounts, is a crook. But he isn't the biggest or the worst crook in the town or the country. Compared to others who have not been punished or indicted, he is a piker. Why should he take the rap? Gross is obviously the fall guy for the whole gang of thieves, official and unofficial, including higher-ups in the O'Dwyer administration; going right up to the City Hall, to the highest officials who sat in the seats of power there. They haven't been indicted or even mentioned in this whole judicial fiasco, to say nothing of the still bigger crooks behind them who rob and bleed the people of this country. They all go scot-free while one uneducated bookie, who learned all he knows in the crap game joints and pool halls of the Brooklyn slums, where the quick dollar is regarded as the highest value, gets the business. What's fair about that?

Gross has already been sentenced to 1,500 days in jail and a fine of \$10,000 for contempt ' of court in refusing to testify against himself and the cops and politicians who shook him down for "protection" money; and he faces another long prison sentence on his previous plea of guilty to paying off these same cops and politicians when he goes into court this Thursday. Specifically, he admitted paying out over \$1,000,000 a year in graft to New York cops for protection in operating his bookie business. That is a crime under the law, no doubt; and \$1,000,000 out of the pockets of suckers who tried to beat the odds weighted against them in horse races, which were probably rigged in the bargain, is a lot of money. But compared to the take of organized exploitation in this country, it is mere chicken feed And compared to the crimes of others involved in these proceedings, including those who shout loudest about law and justice, the offense of Gross is a mere peccadillo.

The Crimes of Judge Leibowitz

Take the crimes of Judge Samuel S. Leibowitz, who presided over the trial in Kings County Court, for example. This scoundrel acted not as an impartial judge, but as a prosecutor against the helpless bookie who was unlucky enough to caught in the toils of what they ically call "the law." Leibowitz certainly made a hash of the law, and the constitution too, when it came to dealing with little Harry Gross. He held him in bail of \$250,000 - just think of it! — in brutal violation of the constitutional provision which expressly prohibits the exaction of unreasonable bail. He kept him in solitary confinement for six months, which again violates the law and the constitution by inflicting punishment before trial. More — as Gross brought out on the witness stand - he knowingly sanctioned third degree methods to make

Gross talk before he was tried, under threat of a heavier sentence if he stood on his rights and refused to incriminate himself. The Bill of Rights prohibits "cruel and unusual punishment" in the case of convicted criminals in the country's prisons. Leibowitz sanctioned such punishment of a man before he was even tried.

On top of all that, by his hypocritical posturing on the bench and his abusive threats to a helpless prisoner on the witness stand, this unjust judge, this modern Jeffreys, compounded his crimes. "I will chain you to the stand with handcuffs," he shouted at the bookie. "If you have to rot in jail for 100 years, you will get it." This is what is known in Brooklyn as judicial poise and impartiality.

Under his goading and threats, Gross told the story of what had been done to him: "Why don't you explain to the court that you held me as a material witness in solitary confinement in the civil prison? Why don't you explain that, heh? Why did you have me assigned to a chair in solitary the whole 24 hours with the light twitching in my eye? . . . Did you ever try to spend 23 out of 24 hours in your cell with the light on there over your cell? . . . You took 20 years off my life with the condition you had me kept in. When I asked the sheriff over in the civil prison, all they give you was. 'Orders of Honorable Judge Leibowitz.' . . . You have ruined my eyesight; no glasses, no radio, no newspaper, no visitors. You are a very honorable man." (New York Herald Tribune, Sept.

If Justice Were Done

I say that Judge Leibowitz, the author of these crimes, is worse than Gross. I say the bookie, for his comparatively piddling offenses, has already suffered too much. I am not a believer in jails as a cure for human defects, as a way of making people better. In the communist society of the future there will be no jails. But in the meantime if there must be jails; and if it is strictly understood that they are for punishment, not reform - then they ought to be inhabited by those who deserve them most. If justice were done in this case, it would mean turning the bookie loose and putting Leibowitz in jail in his place.

Of all the characters directly or indirectly involved in this whole unsavory spectacle, little Harry Gross comes out the best as a man, as a plain human being. He at least was loval to something. That's more than can be said, on the record, for the others. As far as can be seen with the naked eye, the others were loyal to nothing; nothing important, that is. O'Dwyer, the political kingpin of all the rackets, took it on the lam to Mexico and picked up an ambassadorship enroute. The crooked cops had no motive but to keep their swag and keep their jobs so they could collect more. The District Attorney wanted to build himself up as a candidate for governor in the pattern of the notorious Dewey. Leibowitz wanted to outshine Medina, the Federal judge who had copped the glory by kangarooing the 11 Stalinist leaders. But when all the chips were down, and threats of 100 years of imprisonment were hurled at him from the bench, the little bookic took a stand for some kind of principle, even if it isn't the highest principle in the world, and they couldn't budge him from it.

"I am thinking of my family," he said. "My family, my wife and children, are more important to me than anything." There he stood and there he stands. Little in size as he is, and little and tawdry as his whole career has been, he's bigger than the others. Bigger, and better.

I had intended, in connection with this case, to pay my respects also to Rudolph Halley, the "erime busting" phoney, who is running on a white horse for president of New York City Council with "socialist" support. But space has already run out, and that will have to hold over until next time. - J.P.C.

(Next Week: Crime and Politics)

Witch Hunt Gets Setback In Australia

The people of Australia gave a stiff blow to their government's witch-hunt on Sept. 22 when in a national referendum they voted down Prime Minister Menzies' constitutional amendment to grant the government the power to outlaw the Communist Party, confiscate its properties, bar its members from public or union office, and illegalize all organizations alleged to have "communist affiliations."

To carry the amendment, Menzies needed a majority of the national vote, and majorities in at least four of the country's six states. He got neither. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 2,108,390 to 2,012,161.

The Australian witch - hunt is much like the one in the United States. The conservative Liberal-Country party coalition in control of the government has been working furiously to destroy civil liberties under the guise of fighting communism. It had passed a Communist Party Dissolution Act giving it arbitrary powers to destroy its political opponents, but the Australian High Court ruled this unconstitutional.

LABOR OPPOSED

The Labor Party, headed by Herbert E. Evatt, while in no way sympathetic to the Stalinists, organized the opposition to the Menzies program. Evatt attacked the Dissolution Act and the proposed constitutional amendment as steps "on the road to a police state," and showed how they could be used to undermine the civil liberties of all.

The conservatives were sure ple into accepting the amendment, services. especially since the Menzies gov-

Friendly Handshake



A friendly handshake from President Truman welcomes his GOP rival, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, who reported to him on his tour of Asia. The clasped hands are a fitting symbol - Truman and Dewey see eye to eye on the imperialist policy for both Europe and the Far East.

Attlee's Call For Elections

(Continued from Page 1)

last April on the same general Bevan, Minister of Health, long this struggle. issue. They put on a big cam- regarded as the leader of the paign; every single daily paper Left Wing in the leadership, took coming elections must be viewed in the country, with one excep- up the challenge. Along with two tion, urged a "yes" vote. But the of his colleagues, he resigned from ficially, the Labor leadership people, and especially the work- the cabinet and has since carried itself has disclosed that it seeks ers, refused to give up their own on an organized fight for leader- an election because it expects rights merely to satisfy the gov- ship of the Labor Party. His sharp crises in the days ahead, ernment's rabid "anti-communist" program, formulated to meet Australia provides a good can be summed up briefly. Retain lems. It does not want to face esson for the United States. It the social service intact, loosen shows that when the labor move- the ties with American capitalment gets wise to the real aim ism, reduce the rearmament proof the witch-hunt, and leads a gram within limts compatible recently by a number of deaths fight against it, it can score im- with the retention of labor's which require bye-elections, whose pressive victories for civil liber- gains and increase the inroads on capitalist profits.

Bevan's program has aroused a up of the "cold war" has brought great mass response. At the anwith it for Great Britain the huge nual conference of the Scottish Saskatchewan do not want to burden of rearmament. The Labor Trade Unions last summer, the send men out to die on foreign leadership could not long keep a rank and file reversed the leader- fields to bolster up discredited balance between the cost of its ship and overwhelmingly endorsed regimes. . . . We cannot allow reforms and those of rearmament. the Bevan line. At the British the desire to stop aggression to LACK OF CLARITY Last April, in announcing the Trade Union Congress early this act as a cloak to force Syngman annual budget, the Labor Chan- month, the leadership could Rhees, Chiang Kai-sheks or other cellor of the Exchequer, Hugh squeeze out a majority for the sawdust caesars on people who Gaitskell, made known for the government policy as against first time that cuts were to be Bevan only by sharp organization that they could stampede the peo- made in the outlay for social maneuvers. The annual conference of the Labor Party at Scar-These proposed cuts were in the borough in October was regarded ernment had won re-election just nature of a trial balloon. Aneurin as heading for a showdown in

The announcement of the against this background. Ofparticularly a fuel crisis directly growing rank and file pressure, resulting from rearmament probsuch crises, it is explained, with an uncertain majority. Its small majority has been jeopardized outcome is in doubt. Conblown crisis.

At the same time, there is no question that Attlee and Co. will also seek to take advantage of the elections in order to try and stem the advance of the Left Wing. It has already been announced that the Labor Party conference is to be cut short. This means that, rather than a lebate over policy, the Scarborough conference will be converted into an election rally. The whole election atmosphere will the French army, has cost more mines provide a profitable source demand unity against the Tories rather than a settling of policy from within. There are even reports that Attlee has been meeting with Bevan in order to get a common platform with him on the

Bevan, on the other hand, has declared he will not yield on policy. He will however, pitch into the campaign wholeheartedly for Paul and Minneapolis increased that it is the take-home pay that a Labor Party victory over the their Militant circulation over must be increased in order to Tories. In this, too, Bevan is no doubt mirroring the sentiment of the rank and file. They view the literature shows a handsome elections as a struggle of class balance. against class and consider that the first task is to prevent a return of the Tories to power.

Winston Churchill's Tories, This is the "liberator" to whom who were very cocky in February But like the Korean war, de leaders, has never before been task. The determined struggle of too sure of victory. For, dis-

of the privileged wealthy classes; of the colonial revolution is eign policy and the alliance with

CANADA CCF GROUP ASKS FOR 'BREAD NOT BOMBS' -- CONDEMNS KOREA WAR

The left wing of the Canadian labor movement is beginning to give political and organizational expression to the mass opposition to the Korean war, according to a

report in the latest issue of the widespread opposition to the waste of energy." extension of hostilities to the Asian mainland and the eruption of the next world war.

This movement is spearheaded by the Canadian Cooperative Commonwealth Federation (CCF) of the Saskatchewan province, which is dominated by the left wing of the CCF.

BREAD OR BOMBS

At the opening session of the Saskatchewan legislature this spring, Premier Douglas chall fatal to the CCF in Canada to lenged the capitalist parties by "extend support to the militarannouncing that he would fight istic expansionist, fear - rousing in the coming election on the policies of a number of western basis of his speech: BREAD OR powers," which have succeeded

This speech said in part: "I don't want to see the young men peoples of Asia." in this country fight a war merely to reimpose Chiang Kaishek on the Chinese people or to protect the holdings of the Standard Oil Company. . . . I beieve that the people of Saskatchewan want peace if it is possible; that the people of don't want them."

OPPOSE WAR ALLIANCE

At the recently held Saskatchewan CCF convention in which 528 delegates participated, this speech of Premier Douglas was endorsed and further concretized in other resolutions, giving expression to the growing opposition to Canada's involvement in the crushing of Asian independence struggles, the growing awareness that the Atlantic Pact is an alliance for war, the mounting resistance to higher taxes, and the alarm at the moves toward the imposition of a police state on the Canadian people.

that "the diversion of labor and conception that there can wealth from the manufacture of peace without the victory consumer goods to the manu-socialism.

Labor Challenge. Important steps | facture of war machines and have also been taken to mobilize destructive weapons constitutes

FOR CHINA RECOGNITION

The convention called for the immediate recognition of "the People's Government of China and the admission of this Government's representatives into the United Nations" and recorded itself in favor of "the termination of all interference by foreign powers in Formosa.'

This resolution contained a clause to the effect that it will be only in "earning the enmity and the ill-will of almost the entire

The convention also took a "four-square" stand against the rearmament of Germany and Japan by the bloc of western powers; against the policies "which encourage and/or permit the regrowth of fascism in Germany and Japan"; and against a separate treaty with Japan "which would worsen the already bad conditions existent between east and west.'

From the socialist standpoint, the position of the convention is not wholly consistent on such key issues as the role of the UN, the unqualified support of colonial revolutions, etc. For example, the resolution on the UN expresses the naive wish that this body should "return to its original intention of working for peace" and obviously leaves the way wide open for continued support of this central agency for the promotion of imperialist war.

The Korea-China resolution fails to take a clear-cut stand for the immediate withdrawal of Canadian troops from Korea, but sanctions instead the maintenance of "such bonafide UN forces as are required to preserve peace."

Pacifist illusions remain The resolution endorsing Pre-strongly marked, notably in the mier Douglas' stand commended false attitude toward the UN as in particular that section of his an instrument of peace. The BREAD OR BOMBS speech same attitude was to be found in sequently, it prefers to go to the which stressed "that the danger Premier Douglas' speech at the electorate at a time which it of war should not be made an CCF-CCYM banquet, in which he considers more advantageous for excuse for postponing social developed the line of the resoluitself than in the midst of a full security measures." The same tion on International Friendship, resolution went on to point out and brought forward the false

Letters from Readers

An Allegory About **A** Lottery

Editor: For 25 years now, man and boy. I've listened to the radio programs ground out by the broadcasting factories, and I can count the really great ones without taking off my shoes. In "The Lottery," by Shirley Jackson, radio, after a quarter-century of

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village of these times, the orig- deal with their opponents by the in of which is so old that no one same old crime-stained methods. remembers the original reason for holding it. It just is the thing stoned to death.

their pleas are ignored and scorn- past whose struggle against the ed. Among those who join the status quo raised mankind by a dissenters, are the ones who get head. stoned, but by now it is too late. History teaches us that ston-

stultification by its owners, gives, ing people to death has been in us an insight into what a great the discard since biblical times. medium of communication it could But society deals with its disbe if it were handled by people senters only in a different manof courage and vision and an in- ner from those backward times. telligent concern regarding the Today we have the Budenzes, the great ills that beset this world. McCarthys, the McCarrans who One of the greatest of these ills use the same principles of intoleris dealt with in this radio play __ ance against any who oppose the theme of mob psychology and them. And on the other side of its role as a bulwark of reaction. the picture we have the Stalins. A lottery is to be held in a typical the Adenauers, the Gottwalds who

The dissenters of today, foremost of whom are the Trotskyto do since our forefathers from ists, can draw much comfort from The one who draws the black slip tle for the minds of men, to reof paper is the loser in the lottery | lease them from the fetters put | and his punishment is being upon them by long-standing and erroneous etraditions, we are on

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French Get American Guns To Suppress Indo-Chinese By Charles Hanley

The French general, Jean de Lattre de Tassigny, has come to Washington to get more American equipment for the colonialist forces he leads in Indo-China against the Republic of Viet - Nam in what

shall Plan aid to France.

for which the American people aid is used to protect. are forced to pay? Gen. de Lat-Tribune, Sept. 19.)

Viet-Minh (the liberation move- French colonies. ment) and give active support to

a bloody war. themselves against communism." foreign domination. But the determined struggle put this "help."

national independence.

win over the Indo-Chinese power. edition of French colonialism.

the French call "the dirty war." | The French capitalists do not This six - year old war, tying want to lose Indo - China. Its down 240,000 men, one third of lubber, its rice, its cotton and its than \$2 billion already - \$71 of exploitation for French immillion more than the total Mar- perialism. That is what the "dirty war" is being fought for. That What is the purpose of this war is what American equipment and

Time magazine compares de basis of mutual concessions. tre pretends that "France had Lattre to Gen. MacArthur. There given her former colony real is some truth in this: De Lattre, freedom and was now helping to like MacArthur, is a true repremaintain it at a cost of \$1 billion sentative of the reactionary milithis year and probably \$1.3 bil- tary caste, with all its arrogance lion next year." (N. Y. Herald and contempt for the Asian peo-

If the French have given the Like MacArthur, de Lattre in-Vietnamese real freedom, why do troduced the use of napalm bombs the latter go on fighting the against civilians in his "libera-French? De Lattre's claim does tion" war against the Viet-Minh not square with the fact that the forces. He has long experience in majority of the Indo - Chinese colonial wars, having a bloody population sympathizes with the history as a military tyrant in the STORM SIGNALS AHEAD

time immemorial have done it. this allegorical story. In the bat- its army and its partisans. The the U.S. government is sending 1950, are entering the coming presence of a large French army hundreds of millions of dollars election with far less enthusiasm of intervention in Indo-China of military aid to be used against and self-assurance. The revolt gives the lie to the propaganda the Indo-Chinese. Truman has inside the Labor Party can only that Indo-China has been freed. compared the Indo-Chinese war to indicate to them a signal of There are a few dissenters, but the side of every dissenter of the It is in fact being suppressed in the war in Korea. In this he is stormy class struggles ahead, correct. Both are wars of im- should they be returned to the De Lattre states that the perialist intervention against seat of government. They are French army he heads is "help- colonial peoples who are striving well aware that British capitaling the Indo-Chinese to defend to win their independence from ism, although given another lease

> up by the Indo-Chinese masses Lattre's attempt to suppress the as weak nor the working class shows that they do not appreciate Vietnamese has proved a difficult as strong. But they are not even The truth is that the Viet- the Viet-Minh forces has been satisfied as the mass of the peo-Minh movement is a united front waged against the French army ple are with austerity under the of several parties opposed to im- equipped by the U.S. with modern Labor government, they are even perialist domination, fighting for arms. The resistance movement more fearful of a coming war. has received little if any material Time magazine, Sept. 24, states aid from the Soviet Union, and that de Lattre has been able to no aid in the form of man-

quisling, ex-emperor Bao-Dai, and Yet, the French have failed to but it tacitly admits that the stronger than de Lattre, his side of the French oppressors. | an itchy trigger finger.

on life by grace of the Labor In this connection it is im-

portant to them as someone has remarked, "whose finger is at the trigger." For, although the Labor other somewhat cynical leaders win their "dirty war." The power formally from the Tories on forpeasants and workers could not armies, and the forces which U.S. the U.S.A., the people fear from be "won over" to a revamped imperialism is throwing on the past experience that Churchill has

THE MILITANT ARMY St. Paul Literature Agent | By an odd coincidence she heard Winifred has been going over from both of them one day last

strate how successwas from the financial as well as polit-

St. Paul's financial statement on days of sky-rocketing prices." "What did we do with it?" she

asks. "Well, it so happened that our monthly sustaining fund to the state headquarters was due and the treasury empty. So the literature fund came to the rescue - the \$50 state sustaining fund was turned over to the treasurer, from the literature funds, and the Minnesota head- going well and that they have quarters' rent was paid. The day was saved! This was one of the many buyers of single copies. best demonstrations in action of Looking over her records she the financial worth of an active reports that they have been able literature department. I am sure to sell at least one sub each week the other branches had some like results, and it certainly was demonstration!"

Betty reports encouraging sales the good work," he writes, "for of The Militant at their first we sure have the working class treet meetings for Clyde Turner, paper of them all." Socialist Workers Party candidate for councilman. "We went Canada, writes that he is back back into the neighborhoods home after spending six weeks in where we had previously col- the hospital. "I am sure glad to lected signatures," she writes. get The Militant again," he We all felt that the returns writes. "I have caught up on my were good, and of course we will reading. I certainly liked the July continue this work."

heard from either of them since continue to explain events from they started receiving the paper. a Marxist point of view."

her records of the recent Militant | week, both expressing interest subscription cam- and pleasure in the paper. One of paign. She has come them commented that her husband up with a few fig- had glanced at the paper, but ures which demon-thought the ideas were utopian and could never be realized. Howful the campaign ever, he happened to read the editorial in the September 10 issue, 'Taxes and the Escalator ical point of view. Clause,' and that certainly rang First of all, she re- a bell. He remarked that that was ports that during something he really believed in the campaign St. and that every working man knew four times. At the same time, make both ends meet in these

Minneapolis has begun its fall campus activity. Believing in not wasting any time getting started, Pete, Doris, and Pauline were on hand with The Militant while university students were registering for classes. Reception was good, they report.

Lillian Russell writes that Oakland sales of The Militant are been able to sell subscriptions to in this manner.

J. G., a Seattle subscriber, wants to express his apprecia-Philadelphia Literature Agent tion for The Militant. "Keep up

J. G. B., a friend in Moon Lake. 4 number as it shed light on Minneapolis Literature Agent that important occasion. Cannon's Pauline writes, "One of our Mili- articles on the Stalinist peace tant salesmen sold subscriptions program should be printed in to two friends of hers, but hadn't pamphlet form. I hope you will

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The Right to Have a Lawyer

When the Cook County grand jury concocted its "conspiracy" frameup against Harvey Clark's lawyer and the people who made it possible for him to rent an apartment in lily-white Cicero, it decided to get into the spirit of the times and drag in a "red" angle. So it included among its victims a man accused of distributing a Communist Party leaflet headed "End Mob Rule in Cicero" some three weeks after the riot.

But another aspect of the Cicero case bears an even more important relation to the current assaults being conducted against civil liberties in the name of combatting "communism." We refer to what has happened in both instances to the constitutional guarantee of the right to "assistance of counsel."

ist Party leaders, the Harry Bridges "perjury" case and a number of others, the defense lawyers were held in "contempt" and ordered to prison for their efforts in behalf of the defendants. Intimidation became so flagrant that the Stalinists could not secure lawyers of their own in the Smith Act trial pending in New York. As the N.Y. Post puts it: "Everywhere it is widespread that participation in such cases means economic and political suicide."

Now this pattern is being extended

George Leighton, for daring to go to court with a damage suit, now faces trial, possible imprisonment, fine and disbarment. What effect can the indictments of Leighton have on other lawyers except to intimidate the great majority of them into refusing to accept cases involving Negro rights and mob violence? If continued, how can all this end in anything but a replica of Hitler's and Stalin's

On the same day the Cicero indictments were issued, the American Bar Association convention heard a letter from President Truman, sanctimoniously urging lawyers to accept the defense of "persons accused of such abhorrent crimes as conspiracy to overthrow the government by force, espionage and sabotage." If that is what he really wants, then he could begin at home, by telling his Attorney General, judges and prosecutors to stop their harassing of lawyers. And if he really wants to assure the right of "adequate representation by competent counsel." he could act without delay to use the powers of his high office to quash the Cicero indictments and to punish those who were guilty of organizing the

If he does not want to do these things, he should be made to by an aroused people. The Cicero case proves that the witch-hunt menaces everyone, not only radicals.

Truman's News Blackout

to indicting the suppression of the press by the Kremlin.

to the freedom of the press, such large dailies as the N.Y. Daily News announce that they are "withholding judgment,". even though they add their attitude is one of "sour skepticism." The strongest protest has thus far come from such conthe public but also "completely cuts off the Congress of the United States as well as the entire press — except as the Chief

structed every single department in the federal government to "classify" information in the interest of "national security." To suppress any news he chooses, a department head henceforth need only stamp it as "security information." There is not even a body to whom any such decisions may be appealed. For this, too, is left entirely "to each department head or his designated subordinate" who are empowered by the decree "to investigate promptly and carefully any alleged instance of unjustified use of security classifications.'

This sweeping news censorship, beyond anything imposed in its country even in wartime, Truman cynically instructs "must not be used. . . to cover up mistakes by any official or employee of the government."

With the stench of graft and corruption that has emanated from one federal department after another, what better cover could have been provided for all the crooks and grafters than this news blackout ordered by Truman?

The destroyers of civil liberties, all the witch-hunters, have a safeguard, too. All their crimes can henceforth proceed under the cloak of "security information." Immunity has been afforded to the warmakers and the mighty military caste which may now proceed to dispose of untold billions of arms appropriations even

It is the law of the land that not even Congress has the power to abridge the freedom of the press. Truman who usurped war making powers in launching his Korean "police action," is now usurping powers which even Congress is prohibited from wielding.

The Purpose of the Japanese Peace Pact

2. — A bilateral "security treaty" between the U.S. and Japan. This eignty within five hours.

collective self-defense." Toward the evening of the same day another treaty was signed, this time between Dean Acheson and Shi-Minister. In this pact "sovereign" Japan handed over its sovereignty for safekeeping to the U.S.

ACHESON-YOSHIDA PACT

In the Acheson-Yoshida agreement "Japan grants, and the U.S.A. accepts the right . . . to dispose United States land, air and sea forces in and about Japan." And to make sure that no one else can horn in on this deal, it says further that "Japan will not grant, without the prior consent of the U.S.A., any bases or any rights, powers or authority whatsoever, in or relation to bases or the right of garrison or of maneuver, or transit of ground, air and naval forces to any third

This exclusive right acquired by the U.S. to use Japan as a military base for an indefinite period of time is not intended merely to give "defenseless" Japan protection against foreign invasion, but as the treaty states, also to put down largescale internal riots and disturbances in Japan. . ."

A SUPERFICIAL CHANGE

It is obvious from this that the much ballyhooed peace conference has changed the Japanese status only superficially. Japan remains essentially an occupied country with the occupation forces controlling both its external policies

to be an American military base, six years after the bloody Second World War? Isn't it time for the U.S. to pull out of there?

If U.S. policy makers fear the former "enemy," as some commentators claim, then why does the peace treaty permit Japan to raise an unlimited army? If it is permitted and even insisted upon that Japan raise an army - an indication that there is no "fear" of Japan, that "bygones are bygones" - then why the provision maintain huge American forces in Japan to be used not only exis realized that not only has Japan lost World War II. It has been stripped of its empire and its erners were chiefly ex-officemight. But, although the allied powers gained a military victory, they too lost Asia.

Among the signatories to the peace treaty are the four powers, in addition to Japan, who have come to grief in the Far East within less than a decade.

POWERS LOSE ASIA

The British empire had to give up the brightest jewel of its imperial crown, India. The Dutch were compelled to loosen their grip on Indonesia. The French have all but lost Indo-China. The United States lost China.

Japan was defeated in military combat, but the other powers lost Asia as a consequence of the colonial revolution which is far from ended.

The San Francisco conference was thus not a simple gathering of victorious nations for the defeated nations, but a gathering between the Republicans and the conservatives should get toican monopolists are masterminding the scheme whereby blacks" emerged from the "ad- The slave owners had the open keeping it divided and terrorizing land for Wall Street's benefit. This is the real meaning of the

When the Stalinist demagogues say that the treaty revives the posted for further arrests. The behalf of millions of Negroes and the greatest possible pressure by they remain true to form. They by his reprisal against the slaves. tenth" leaders and to place all its struggle for Negro rights. Wher- chauvinist hatred of Japan as a civil rights laws.) The N. Y. Times performed a hopes in the judicial processes of ever this is done an important ration, which they helped foster in World War II. Japanese im- plan is not likely to get very far. Anyhow, that is how it looks.

Two treaties were concluded in such as the Nazis led which would by default. San Francisco, Sept. 8: 1. - A in the first instance have to throw

ious allies and defeated Japan: tear up the San Francisco treaty. simple reason that they have al- tralians, the Filipinos, and others gether by economic compulsion. The Japanese monopolists will, ready exhausted themselves in could not agree to it, and we have These two nations complement to be sure, seek to sponsor such endless wars against the colonial no desire to set their nerves one another economically. China event may well go down in his- a movement. But they will face peoples and among themselves. uselessly on edge. As for the is a vast country, rich in natural tory under a chapter headed: the Japanese masses who were They are now perfectly willing to Japanese themselves, there is not resources, with a population of Japan gains and loses sover- the victims of their previous let the U.S. come forward and a family in the country that is not one half billion. But it is largely drive for imperialist mastery, take up where they left off. The suffering to this day from the agricultural. At 11:54 A.M. the peace treaty was consummated stating that anese imperialists will have to ist power insane enough to bethe allies "recognize that Japan contend with the powerful as a sovereign nation possesses Japanese working class, which history backwards and regain the say, 'Your son is to be a soldier a population of some 85 million, the inherent right of individual or no doubt is sympathetic to and power and old glory of imperial again." is drawn to the Chinese revolu- rule.

tion now in process. The Japanese Peace Treaty has geru Yoshida, Japanese Prime licans and Democrats alike as an creates obstacles. example of American leadership in the world. It is quite true that has prominently stamped on it, in a new attempt to conquer of the defense pact which stated ism is in sharp conflict with the ican imperialism is loved by the economically and politically. Here police."

1. The Japanese are expected Francisco treaty, "The biggest will not permit such a course. the treaty from beginning to end to raise an army to help the U.S. (shock) is probably the provision By all its actions, U.S. imperial-"Made in Washington." But this China. Yet the same Yoshida who that American troops garrisoning interests of the Asian peoples. American leadership has been ac- signed the treaty declared prior Japan as a security force could at Japan included. U.S. military, quired not by superior wisdom to the San Francisco conference the request of the Japanese gov- political and economic intervenand certainly not because Amer- that this is impossible both ernment, act as an internal tion are bound to feed the fires of peoples of the world. Not at all. are his words:

None of the old empires are torpedo the Japanese finances. It oppressive rule, and China and peace treaty between the victor- out the American occupiers and contesting this leadership for the is politically impossible: The Aus- Japan are in addition drawn to-

> The Japanese treaty is far from cians are appalled by the fact that shop of Asia; but it lacks natural being any help in this mad the treaty grants Japan no real resources. It desperately needs been widely proclaimed by Repub- gamble. On the contrary, it sovereignty. A N. Y. Times cor- raw materials and a market. It Let us mention some of them: Sept. 15, one week after the San has made it amply clear that it

> > 3. The peoples of Asia are Japan.

[I. That is, through a movement | This leadership has been acquired] "It is financially impossible: | naturally drawn together by their one single torpedo - boat would hostility toward the white man's

lieve that it can turn the clock of cannot go to those families and Japan, on the other hand, with occupies an area smaller than 2. Even the Japanese politi- California. It has been the workrespondent cabled from Tokyo on must trade with China. The U.S.

Brass Hat in the Ring for



the sustained buildup he has nine months. And this is the exreceived for 10 years, and it now appears quite certain that he will accept the Republican nomination.

That is good news for the Dewey wing of the Republican Party, which has been leading the pro-Eisenhower boom, and not so good for Taft, MacArthur and the other GOP hopefuls. The word now is that as soon as Eisenhower feels the Republican nomination is in the bag, he will make a public statement clearing up the "mystery" of his political sympathies and accepting the

EISENHOWER

This is the brain child of Karl rights exists. Dixiecrats) met in Washington ning the presidency. recently and set up the committee to work for the proposed electoral coalition.

STATES RIGHTS

they are studying - assuming the South) don't go for Mundt's they get the necessary support proposal either. They now hold for any of them - are: the the balance of power in Washnomination of a joint presidential ington by virtue of their seniority slate; the adoption by the GOP positions within the ruling party, of a "states' rights" program, and while they can't get everyand the offer of a number of thing they want, they can prevent important cabinet posts to the the passage of any laws they South: or some maneuvers dislike. Under present conditions whereby enough Southern states it would be hard for them to find would nominate electors opposed a better setup. to the Democratic candidate so that the election would be thrown clopment deserves some comment. into the House of Representa- On scores of occasions the liberals

has been an "informal, unorgan- the "anarchy" of the present signing of a pact with the ized and intermittent alliance" party system and urged that all of defeated nations on both sides, Southern Democrats in Congress gether in a single party and all to devise ways and means to anyhow, and that this alliance has the liberals should get together retrieve their losses. The Amer- been able to call the tune in in a party of their own, so that Washington on many important the voters would have the choices issues - so why not make the available from a "real two-party thing formal and get control of system."

CIVIL RIGHTS

Of course, Mundt adds, this about Mundt's proposal, either would mean that the Republicans for or against, although it fits in would have to junk the customary with their own previous sugges-'civil rights" plank in their plat- tions. Or maybe it is not so form, but he thinks it would be strange after all. Maybe they worth it. (He evidently believes were just indulging in cheap talk; most Negroes and other sup- maybe they don't really want the slaves. A reward of \$1,000 was NAACP, claiming to speak on such violence occurs, and finally menace of Japanese imperialism, porters of the civil rights pro- Southern Democrats to leave gram don't vote GOP anyhow; their party at all; maybe they article commends the Governor of possessing the power of arousing the labor rank-and-file on their squeeze facts into the distorted and besides he knows that there prefer maintaining their party Pennsylvania for upholding the mass action, continues to follow leaders to throw the full support mold of their momentary purpose. is not much likelihood of either coalition with the lynchocrats, "dignity of the Commonwealth" the timid policies of its "talented of America's unions behind the They seek to capitalize on the capitalist party enacting serious and staying in government posi-

page. For this article reminds us strong labor movement, which is that this year marks not only the being steadily attacked by profitmately, Socialism will ensure the potent. And it is doubtful if it publicans generally are not very is "the end justifies the means" 100th anniversary of a big- mad corporations and their disappearance of such 100-year can be revived as any sort of ag- keen for the idea. Gov. Warren - which the ADA theoreticians business mouthpiece, but also the stooges in Congress, remains un- anniversaries, both of big-business gressive force except in a manner of California has already called it always denounce and deplore similar to the revival of German a "disgrace." They are willing when they attribute it to the imperialism following World War enough to have an informal Marxists.

One of the opening moves in alliance in Congress, but they the 1952 election campaign was don't want to be saddled with the the establishment of the Commit- Southern Democrats as their open tee to Explore Political Realign- partners because that would mean ment, with the aim of openly the loss of many votes, not only allying the Republicans and among Negroes and workers but Southern Democrats in the presi- also among the middle class, where strong sentiment for civil

E. Mundt (R, S.D.), who won a This might mean the loss of seat in the Senate solely on his more electoral votes in the North merits as an outstanding witch- than could be gained in the ternally but also internally? This hunter in the House. Under his South; and even if that were not contradiction is resolved once it inspiration 100 capitalist po- so, the machine politicians in the liticians of both parties from both big industrial states would be the North and South (the North- opposed to risking loss of the states they control in exchange holders, the Southerners chiefly for the mere possibility of win-

BALANCE OF POWER

And in the second place, many or most of the Southern Democrats (not be confused with the Among the courses of action Dixiecrats, who are a minority in

One other aspect of this devassociated with Americans for IMPORTANT JOB Mundt's argument is that there Democratic Action have deplored

THE LIBERALS

Strangely enough, none of these liberals has said anything yet tions of power, to breaking with Mundt's political realignment them and losing those positions.

Presidential aspirants in both! Naive people may wonder how ed, saying "he assumed he was capitalist parties are having the come all this arises now when the therefore to continue doing what Eisenhower jitters - and with nominating convention, which he had been doing for a long time. good cause. The brass hat is sure presumably selects the candidate, i.e. to work for an Eisenhower to be a strong contender, after will not take place for another nomination." planation:

"ONLY HOPE"

former GOP National Chairman and Dewey man, returned recently at the time, in which it was with a report of a visit to Eisenhower in France. He told the general that many people think the delegates to the Republican "the only hope for the country" lies in his accepting the Repub- beforehand on his behalf." lican nomination. He also told him, according to the well-informed Joseph C. Harsch in the Sept. 14 Christian Science Monitor, that these people "were acting without thought of patronage or reward on the basis of honorable and patriotic idealism, but had found themselves up against 'the boys down in the Chicago Students engine room,' who, he asserted, are going about offering post-masterships and federal judgemasterships and federal judgeships to all and sundry on behalf of Senator Robert A. Taft."

Scott also informed Eisenhower "that this tactic of the Eisenhower group's opponents has been making it very difficult for them because while most Republicans wanted General Eisenhower, it's harder when dealing with the professional politicians, who want the most successful socialist some indication of the general's demonstration that this city has clans, of his receptibility, even though they would not require couraging advance sale of tickets definite promises."

WANT ASSURANCE

that the persons who are work- Myra Tanner Weiss' opponent ing to get him the nomination will be Abba P. Lerner, prominent have a right to expect something Keynesian economist. The subject in return and that the something debated will be "Who is the Agought to be at least an assurance gressor in the Korean War?" that the rug won't be pulled out A full-scale mobilization is befrom under their activities by ing planned for Sunday, Sept. 30,

Translating this into plain Eng- to The Militant in order to build lish, Dewey, Scott and the other up the advance sale of tickets for honorable and patriotic idealists the anti-war rally. who for some reason don't want to be called professional politithe Taft forces' offers of patron- orders will be delivered. age unless Eisenhower gave them "something" to work with - not definite promises of patronage, you understand, but at least something the boys down in the engine room could sink their teeth into. the Socialist Workers Party

Eisenhower's answer, according to Harsch, was "that he felt himself engaged in a terribly important job (in Europe) which he had accepted at considerable personal risk and sacrifice. He said that if Mr. Scott's friends back home think that their course is worth pursuing, he thought they might also be willing to assume whatever risks are incidental to the cause they believe in."

To people untrained in the subtleties of the doubletalk engaged in by capitalist politicians. this might look like an evasion. But Scott, being an idealist himself, understood what was being said. "I'll buy that," he answer-

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The general had nothing to say to that, which Scott considered to be an act of "not entering a demurrer." This was confirmed Rep. Hugh Scott (R, Pa.), when Eisenhower "referred Mr. Scott to an article, on the desk stated that the general would of course accept the nomination if convention had been lined up

It is to be hoped that the honorable and patriotic idealists, now that they have been given the green light, will walk and not scramble to the line which is being formed in front of the GOP

Debate on Korea

CHICAGO, Sept. 25 — Two big meetings are in the offing for Myra Tanner Weiss when she hits Chicago next week.

The anti-war meeting on the evening of Oct. 6 promises to be seen for several years.

Another big event during the tour will be a debate at Roosevelt Furthermore, Scott told him College on Oct. 10, 7:30 P.M.

any statements from overseas." to visit all friends and subscribers

All Militant readers who have not yet purchased their tickets cians complained to Eisenhower are urged to call the SWP headthat they could not compete with quarters, HA 7-0403. Phone

Jim Kiger, Flint Unionist, Dead FLINT - The local branch of

mourns the death of James C. Kiger. Jim died of cancer on Sept. 5 at the age of 49. Former leader of the sitdown strike, board member and militant unionist of Chevrolet Local 659, he leaves an honorable record that will not soon be forgotten. He was not always a member of the SWP but he was for many years an ardent and active sympathizer.

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real service in reprinting this the capitalist courts. A great and step will be taken toward keepcontinued existence of capital- der the leadership of bureaucrats newspapers and of violence ism's offspring, the Jim Crow who refuse to recognize that the against minorities.

juridical outrages?

In the Smith Act trial of 11 Commun-

into other fields. Harvey Clark's lawyer,

When Peron suppressed the newspaper La Prensa in Argentina, the dailies here could not find words of denunciation strong enough to express their indignation. They are loud enough when it comes

But when Truman imposes a censorship decree, dealing a most crippling blow servatives as columnist David Lawrence who correctly points that Truman's decree cuts off information not only from

Executive may permit." By his Sept. 25 edict Truman has in-

more brazenly than they have up to now.

A Twin Anniversary

By Fred Arens

Last September 18th The New system. One hundred years ago, struggle of the Negro is labor's York Times celebrated its 100th we had the so-called Lancaster struggle and that the violence anniversary. To mark the occa- riot - a century later, the against the Negro people is a blow sion, America's foremost capital- Cicero outrage. ist newspaper reprinted the frontpage of its first number. The article that aroused my in- under different conditions and a on the part of their leaders. True. terest is entitled "Fugitive Slave hundred years apart, remain it is indispensable to explore to

Riot in Lancaster Co., Pa." This similar. Negroes are still per- the full the possibility of using is what happened according to the secuted in the name of "private the laws of the land in promoting story: A party of Maryland property." Their refusal to submit democracy. But this is no longer slave-owners and police officials, brings down upon them the com- sufficient. armed with a warrant issued by bined violence of the police, grand the U.S. Commissioner, set out juries and courts. Those who fight escaped slaves.

When the Negroes were located facent woods and cornfields," at- support of the capitalist state. the Negro people. tacked the posse and killed one The recent events, after 100 years, man. Subsequently mass arrests are all the more shameful.

The basic elements in both cases, even though they occurred and white, must demand action

to riot."

were made and "a large amount | We have a hypocritical Presi- the Militant. It centers around taken away. of arms captured." It is in- dent who preaches civil rights three main points: the organizateresting and inspiring to learn while his concrete actions fatten tion of defense committees for the STALINISTS DISTORT FACTS that a white man was among the pocketbooks and increase the victims of Jim Crow. mass those fighting alongside the power of the Dixiecrats. A large protests and picket-lines wherever

against all of labor. The workers themselves, Negro

It is time that we recognize that the courts are class courts for Christiana in Lancaster Co., with them and for them are and primarily serve. under a Pa., in order to recapture two framed-up on charges of "inciting capitalist system, to uphold the interests of America's sixty The Negroes in The Times families. The workers themselves in a house, the slave-owners and article, fighting for freedom and must demand mass action. This their uniformed henchmen opened against the certainty of savage is the only protest that will infire. When the slaves promptly reprisals, defended themselves fluence those who, in their drive returned it, the party retreated. courageously and as best they toward war, try to weaken and Japan could raise an army under Then, at a signal from inside the could against their persecutors. ultimately destroy the great Pentagon direction, to help in the White House at the same house. "sixty or eighty armed But they didn't have a chance. American labor movement by the reconquest of the Asian main-

> The nature of a correct pro- two treaties. This is the meaning gram has been often indicated by of the sovereignty granted and

The question then presents itself, why must Japan continue Big Obstacles to Proposed Dixiegop Presidential Ticket

dential race.

Labor Chiefs Expose ECA

After the meeting, several of these students told me about the growing sentiment against the witch-hunt on the campus. I am sure they will find a way to give it organized expression. The youth should be the first to rebel for they will be the first victims of Wall Street's war plans. And it's hard to believe that American youth will permit themselves to be easily intimidated by government thought-control.

The best part of the Buffalo meeting for me was the announcement of plans to enter a socialist slate in the next city elections. Our comrades will put up as good a fight in the electoral field as they have in the economic struggles of the workers in Buffalo.

We had a well organized press conference in party headquarters. Invitations were sent to the Buffalo daily newspapers, and two stenographers were present to record the interview. Two newspapers were represented, one of which sent its news analyst instead of the usual reporter from

The first comment was that I didn't look like a "labor leader." Not knowing how "labor leaders" are supposed to look, I couldn't tell if this was intended as an insult or compliment, so I

The Marshall Plan has brought no benefits

whatever to the working people of Europe. It

has operated exclusively for the benefit of the

The European industrialists have been able by

the operation of the Economic Cooperation Ad-

ministration to reestablish the "iniquitous car-

tels, skimming off all the fat and some export-

The first of these statements was made by

Jacob Potofsky, president of the Amalgamated

Clothing Workers, CIO; the second by Charles

MacGowan, President of the Boilermakers and

Iron Shipbuilders Union and AFL vice-president.

charges upon returning from extensive trips

Both Potofsky and MacGowan made these

"The billions of dollars we are sending abroad,"

said Potofsky, "must seep down to the workers

and their families, to increase their standard

of living and thus take them out of poverty

and inertia that come from a low wage scale.'

But instead of "seeping down," Potofsky com-

plained, "our money has been used primarily to

strengthen the governments in power and the

industrialists. The rich grow richer, the poor

poorer. European industry has retained its time

honored theory of unbelievably high profits and

low wages. Labor has not had the benefits of

improved conditions since the end of the war."

Speaking at the annual AFL conference in San

Francisco, MacGowan said that "the Marshall

Plan had been accepted with the understanding

that as production increased the working people

'participate in the fruits' but instead the indus-

trialists had 'reestablished the iniquitous cartels,

skimming off all the fat and some exporting and

Under the cover of "national emergency" and

"rearming for defense," Big Business is now

raiding the public treasury on a scale that sur-

passes anything on record. Involved are tens

of billions of dollars. In these thefts two main

devices are being employed. The first is "tax

amortization"; the second, a special type of

contractual agreement which the various branch-

es of the armed services are authorized by law

the big corporations may evade paying taxes al-

together. Here is how it works. A corporation

files notice that it proposes to construct and

equip such and such a plant and then gets it

certified as "vital for defense." Thereupon it is

issued special certificates enabling it to deduct

from its taxes the full cost of such a plant in

five yearly installments. The plant thus costs

the corporation exactly nothing. The total of such

"amortized" plants already amounts to almost

In addition to these whopping sums, the armed

forces are empowered to turn over to any cor-

poration they please, enormous amounts of equip-

ment without the payment of a single penny.

These provisions are kept highly secret be-

cause the material concerned has been labelled

as "classified." If we are able to peek behind

this secret curtain, it is because a corner of it

was gingerly lifted by Sen. Douglas of Illinois

in the course of the Senate debate over the \$61

Arguing — in vain — for a "10 percent cut"

in arms expenditures, Douglas cited some "total

figures" relating to the expenditures of a single

branch of the armed services, the Air Force

which, he asserted, make it "quite apparent that

the Air Force is turning over enormous amounts

The names of these concerns were not men-

tioned by the Senator. That, you see, is a "mili-

tary secret." But he did read into the Congress-

ional Record of Sept. 13 some of the sums in-

"Here is one company," continued Douglas,

of equipment to certain industrial concerns."

"Tax amortization" is a slick scheme whereby

to make with the industrial trusts.

10 billion dollars.

That's device number two.

billion arms appropriation bill.

hiding it." (N.Y. Times, Sept. 22.)

ing it and hiding it."

(The Advance, Oct. 1).

rich. "The rich grow richer, the poor poorer."

ignored the remark. The interview concluded with one of the reporters expressing regret that he couldn't stay and debate the question of the Korean war with me. I regretted it too!

The articles printed in the Buffalo press were headed "WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS FROM KOREA URGED" and "U. S. INTERFERENCE IN KOREA SCORED." The latter article included the announcement of our presidential slate

The meeting in Cleveland was held in our new headquarters. The comrades had obviously worked hard to complete its decoration in time for the meeting. New curtains, a new paint job, a beautiful display of our literature made this well-attended meeting a big success. We can look forward to some real progress in our work in

My second radio interview on the tour was held in Cleveland. However, this time, I had no conflict with my interviewer. Jean Simon, Cleveland correspondent for The Militant, asked the questions, so there was no trouble talking about socialism. To be interviewed over the air by a good friend of mine was a unique experience and of course a very pleasant one.

In addition to radio time obtained, the leading Negro weekly in Ohio, The Cleveland Call and Post, published our press release in full. These "breaks," of course, are made; they don't just

cautiously, Potofsky pleaded that "organized la-

bor must have greater voice in determining the

foreign and domestic policies of their own coun-

Potofsky and MacGowan rank high among the

labor salesmen of the Marshall Plan. They touted

it from its inception and they still remain in fa-

vor of it today, despite their own annihilating

There was nothing progressive about the Mar-

shall Plan, later dubbed the ECA. It was from

the first designed to subsidize the European in-

dustrialists and prop up bankrupt European capi-

talism as the indispensable step toward Euro-

workers was a deliberate lie. AFL and CIO

among the most zealous in spreading this lie.

Marshall Plan was never intended to improve the

"which is to have turned over to it \$215,980,000

worth of equipment, though the same company

has already received \$126,741,000 of accelerated

tax amortization certificates. Another company

is going to get \$146,450,000 worth of equipment,

although it is also receiving, in addition, \$76,-

079,000 in tax amortization. There is a third

company, which has at present no tax amortiza-

tion, but which is getting \$146,000,000 worth of

equipment. If we combine those three figures,

we find, very roughly, that they total \$507,000,-

000 worth of equipment which is being turned

over to three industrial giants, whose resources,

in their own right, are already enormous, and

who are getting well over \$200,000,000 of tax

Three-quarters of a billion to three corpora-

tions on a single item in the arms bill relating

to the Air Force — that surely does give a

which is to get \$59,000,000 worth of equipment;

another company, \$50,000,000 worth of equipment;

still another company \$34,440,000 worth of equip-

ment; another company \$17,000,000 worth of

equipment; another, \$6,000,000 worth of equip-

ment; still another, \$4,900,000 worth of equip-

ment; another company, \$1,475,000." They are

The Senator has checked the records and has

What proportion of the total \$61 billion arms

appropriation has been earmarked for similar

free gifts to the biggest corporations, the public

is not permitted to know. But Sen. Douglas has

unwittingly disclosed that "truly enormous" sums

are involved here. And all of these "amortized'

and, "give away" billions come out of the taxes

which are being extorted from the lowest income

lion's share of this country's wealth and re-

sources, are using the tax and arms program to

These big-time thieves, who already own the

found "that with one exception, all of these firms

are also getting substantial sums of tax amortiz-

all getting their share of the swag.

"In addition to that, there is another company

"very rough" idea!

But listen to the Senator:

pean rearmament.

European labor movement.

"Secret" Stolen Billions

Still No Justice

CHICAGO, Sept. 25 - The week that has passed since the Cook County grand jury handed down its infamous "conspiracy" indictments in the Cicero riot case has been marked by mass indignation and growing demands for federal action to stop the frameups and punish the real instigators of the riot.

Michael Mann sent a telegram to Truman demanding federal grand

The Independent Voters of similar action.

Both MacGowan and Potofsky also complained that the ECA missions, each with "labor advis- doned and even compounded the ers" attached to them, simply ignore these "advisers." They are "not consulted" and "unilateral bigots."

OFFICIALS ADAMANT

torney George C. Leighton last Criminal Court Judge Thomas Kluczynski pleaded for sobriety. He said, "Gentlemen, let night, 10,000 workers of the Wright Aeronautical Corp. us try this case in court, in the walked off their jobs and went on strike for higher wages name of law and order." He and better working conditions. warned that aroused public This was in accord with a militancy and solidarity are any cpinion might make it impossible unanimous decision reached by indication of victory, the strike to try the case in a Cook County the membership of Amalgamated will be won in a matter of weeks.

. American workers have nothing to gain and everything to lose by supporting such schemes.

MASS PRESSURE NEEDED

mass pressure that is needed to make the authorities and the

al Associaton for the Advancement of Colored People, whose attorney Leighton was among those indicted, has announced that it intends to defend only its own attorney. (The local chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union has offered free legal service to the five who were indict-

NAACP office to offer help have been told: "Wire the president demanding federal grand jury action and contribute money to the NAACP."

Such a program is inadequate. The only language Boyle and his prototypes understand is mass pressure. The Chicago Branch of the Socialist Workers Party is the only organization in this area which is advocating militant action. It is urging all the interested groups to take action along

line around the county building. ment in defense of Negro rights.

> concluded its fifth successful term last Sunday.

At the Paxton home, the boy's ings about social change from the lack of a more elementary

Comrade Edmund of Los An- program of study.

Mexican history served like-Party members and friends on the problem of the Mexican discussion led by Comrade Ray

together at the Workmen's Circle STUDY OF CAPITAL

revolution. These were designed camp this year showed that great There was swimming every day, meeting. He was quoted by the to show how closely the events progress has been made in this campfires, singing and games in press as saying that this meet-The Rev. W. Sperry, who was ers: "I can't conceive of a good of 1765-1781 resembled other field. However, it was agreed that the evening. A grand social even- ing was the opening gun in the year-old Byron Paxton, adopted The coroner's jury, which took foreman of the jury, hypo- policeman acting as Sgt. Carter great revolutions and to illus- the educational program of the ling, featuring skits, songs and '52 election campaign, where the trate many of the Marxist teach- school still has one deficiency - dancing, was held the last night. party will engage in the national mother fought off tears as she these American revolutionary course in Marxism for those who Sunday afternoon. The achieve- and Grace Carlson for President want to undertake a more modest

It is a lie that there is no poverty in America. There is poverty everywhere in this land. Over half the city families in this richest of all coun-

tries have incomes below what it takes to maintain a "modest but on less than \$2,000 a year, all takes to maintain a modest but these families could be given inadequate" standard of living. That
comes which come close to the is a fact shown by the Depart-standards set by the Dept. of which this month published the

family in these 34 cities would

ing \$3,693 annually. Half the families in the U.S. have incomes of less than \$2,750 a year. (U.S. Dept. of Com-

Thus, over half the families in which the Labor Department says | Essex County, yesterday demandare needed for a "modest" living ed that Governor Driscoll im-

These figures are based upon prices of last October. Today the bility of American families to buy food, clothing and shelter is even less, as a result of inflation and the failure of wages to keep abreast of living costs.

Nor did the statistics take into account the big cuts in take-home pay made by taxes on low in-

NOT AN EXAGGERATION

Ten and a half million families WOODRIDGE, N. J., Sept. 26 - At 12 o'clock midin this country, one quarter of the 693 less than is required for an 'adequate" budget. They are illfed, ill-clothed and ill-housed. care; they cannot afford the recreation which the Dept. of Labor says is "in accordance with current American standards."

These figures are not an exaggeration of the true situation.

They are in fact an understateHears M. Weiss geration of the true situation. DETROIT, Sept. 27 - Prompt and over 40 hours, and triple time and effective strike action by the ment. Income statistics of the membership of Briggs UAW-CIO government are arrived at by sions, hospitalization and vaca- Local 742 last Tuesday forced the striking an average which incompany to immediately reinstate cludes the highest individual incomes as well as the lowest. If Posey had been fired after a an average were struck on figures Company was presented as a final" offer of approximately six heated exchange with a mancents, which the union rejected. agement representative during two-thirds of the population's inorganized to mobilize the kind of The company offer on the fringe negotiations. When Posey ob- come groups, a truer picture of demands amounted to taking jected to management calling how the masses of people live

> While it is true that actual starvation is a rare thing in to hear the party's viewpoint on When this news reached the workers they walked out and America, it is also true that the the problems facing the American The company has been bombard- made clear that they would not highly touted American standard ing the local newspapers with return to work until the com- of living is not all it's cracked large paid advertisements and mitteeman was reinstated. The up to be. And it is far from what has bought time on the radio, same afternoon the company it could be. making its pitch to the house- agreed to reinstate Posey after

> The drastic cuts in living of the Buffalo area, attracted by standards which will be the result the program and past activities of the government's huge milita- of the party. Extremely heartenletter writing to the workers. To Local 742 members stands in rization program will hit milno avail. The workers are out sharp contrast to the bellycraw- lions of Americans who already solid and their militancy is some- ling policy imposed upon Dodge lead a hand-to-mouth existence. thing to behold. The solidarity is Local 3 by their local president

and the International union when USE WAR BILLIONS

The workers on the picket lines their shop committee chairman If the \$59 billions now appro- an intense campaign of preparasay they will stay out until was fired some weeks ago. A priated for war production were tion - mailing announcements, Christmas if necessary to bring strike was prevented, and the used to raise the income level of distributing leaflets, and visiting

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To Lower Rents

Breitman, Socialist Workers Party this country do not have incomes candidate for Assembly from mediately convene a special session of the State Legislature to roll back all rents in the state to their August 1 level.

action was needed without delay "to give relief and protection to the hundreds of thousands of families whose rents have been raised in this state during the last month by unscrupulous landlords and their tools in the socalled Office of Rent Stabiliza-

landlords out of office.

During the week preceeding the meeting, the branch carried on the company to terms. But if committee chairman is still out, the ten million families who live contacts in their homes after

A press conference was held the day before the meeting, to which both the leading capitalist newspapers, the Buffalo Evening News and the Courier - Express, sent representatives. Both the substance of the conference and the meeting itself were given space in these papers, indicating the importance the capitalist press concedes to the Socialist

ence as she painted in broad strokes the gigantic scope and vitality of the unfolding Asian revolution. She explained the The children also had an educa- profound consequences of this tional program. They held their turbulent movement of the masses

Samuel Ballan, chairman of the

Chicago SWP Calls for Millions in U.S. Mass Pressure on Cicero Survey Reveals

THE MILITANT

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Clark, whose apartment was wrecked

by a racist mob in an anti-Negro riot in Cicero last July, got a

lawyer to take their case to court. Now their lawyer has been

indicted on "conspiracy" charges, while all of the known mem-

meeting on Sunday, Sept. 23.
The central demand of the Detroit Walkout

Union is for a 15c. across-the-board wage increase. In addition Wins a Victory

The only offer made by the Shop Chairman Posey.

wives. It has also kept up a a hurry-up meeting.

steady pressure campaign of The immediate strike action of

bers of the mob have been set free.

Local 669, UAW-CIO, at its last

the union demands 15% night

bonus, double time for Saturday

for Sunday. Also increased pen-

away what had already been won

by the union last year.

tion pay.

complete.

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Chicago Regional CIO director

Illinois, state affiliate of Americans for Democratic Action, is circulating a petition demanding Ralph Helstein, president of the

CIO United Packinghouse Workers, issued a protest denouncing the grand jury for having "conoffense of the vandals and

decisions" are made, objected MacGowan. More The Chicago Defender, Negro paper, urged federal grand jury action and the nolle prossing of the indictments.

> Yesterday a delegation went to see State's Attorney Boyle (of Moretti case infamy) about the case. They were told that he does not intend to appoint a special wright Corp. workers wash the indictments against the quash the indictments against the In arraigning NAACP At-torney George C. Leighton last STRIKE FOR WAGE HIKE

The claim that the Marshall Plan was intended to improve the living standards of the European spokesmen, like MacGowan and Potofsky, were Today, they are compelled to admit what The Militant has contended from the beginning: The living standards of the European workers. Its

The position taken by the judge sole purpose was to shore up the tottering capiwas so preposterous that even the talist governments and bankrupt capitalist exploiters; to convert Europe into a military bas-Chicago Daily News had to write: "In our opinion, the judge tion in preparation for an imperialist assault on

the Soviet Union and to that end to provide the would do better to take a less means for housebreaking or crushing the militant respectful view of the action of the grand jury and its legal counsel, the state's attorney. As the presiding judge, he is responsible for the conduct of justice, and we do not believe he is bound to sit solemnly through a farce."

grand jury stop their frameups.

The local branch of the Nation-

People who have gone to the

the following lines:

Organize a mass protest picket Demand that the union officials take the initiative in mobilizing the support of the labor move-Organize a broadly representa-

tive defense committee to support the victims of the grand jury.

For a Socialist **Future Support** The Candidates Of the SWP

DETROIT KILLER-COP SHOOTS DOWN TEEN-AGER

pocket the remainder.

On the evening of Aug. 27, 15- the policeman shot him. registration, Byron fled instead "We find that the firing of a arms," he said.

run through a back yard when priate."

on of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson R. 75 minutes and only one ballot to critically denied that any note of did." Paxton, was driving around in clear the cop, was composed of a censure was contained in the Highland Park with a girl friend preacher, two housewives, a re- verdict.

mitted the killing has been ab- his back. The boy had started to suit would have been appro- shot.

when he had a minor accident tired banker, a Wayne University "I would say it is a note of with a parked car. Having neither professor and a retired police in caution to police, rather than driver's license nor ownership spector. The verdict it gave was: censure, in the hasty use of fire-

of reporting the accident. Police shot by Sgt. Carter was a matter. Never the less, Highland Park DETROIT, Sept. 25 - Another found him parked in an alley and of judgment in a tense moment. Police Chief Dewey Schultz, apteen-age lad has been killed by a started questioning him. Frighten- "But that with three officers pearing as the final witness, had classes. One consisted of a series Myra Tanner Weiss initiated such using long words. trigger-happy policeman. And ed, Byron jumped a fence when present at the scene of the ap-said he thought Carter "used of lectures given by me on the a class in Los Angeles three once again the cop who com- Police Sgt. Melville Carter turned prehension, further steps at pur- good judgment" in firing the history of the first American years ago. The discussions at the Byron's father said to report-

said: "I'm very much disgusted

feature — was satisfactory to all. of Marx's economic teachings. REVOLUTIONARY HISTORY

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 14 -

The West Coast Vacation School,

cisco Bay Area and Seattle came

Camp near Los Angeles for eight

events.

an annual institution sponsored ance of the Latin-American peoby the Socialist Workers Party, ples to Wall Street rule.

from Los Angeles, the San Fran- minority in the U.S. today.

Another Good Session flory of Mexico, which he related and discussions. These included: to an examination of the role of Problems of the Science of American imperialism in Latin- Psychology, led by Dan Dreiser; America and the growing resist- Women and the Chinese Revolu-

wise as background for a rich Richard Kirk.

days of Marxist education and subject of discussion in the consisted in posing to any and all esy of the coming American revo-The comradeship was warm, the class composed of workers and "What is the state?" "What is a ment of the struggles of the food was pronounced the best in students already engaged in the depression?" "How did language working class, filled her listeners the school's history, and the study of Capital, and it concerned and writing come into being?" with the greatest optimism. She educational program — the main itself with certain key problems "Are all wars bad?" They report. appealed to the working people of

should take Carter off the force." ing class, dealing with the his-built around individual lectures to the West Coast.

tion, by Frances Conway; The National Question, by Frank Powers; The Negro Struggle, by

CLASS FOR CHILDREN

own class in the early afternoon. of Asia, and its interconnection. Karl Marx's Capital was the There they took assignments which with World War III. Her prophafternoon sessions. This was a adults such questions as these: lution, as the crowning achieveed back to their class with the America to join in the struggle The serious study of Capital answers they got, indicating also to free humanity and establish a has been going on in all West which adult was able to answer socialist society of peace, and There were two morning Coast branches of the SWP since in the clearest manner without plenty.

balanced by ample recreation. Workers Party, also spoke at the

ment of Labor's monthly review Labor. Each of these families which this month published the results of a 34-city survey of the year. nnual budget required to live The survey showed that to secure the necessities of life a Breitman Seeks have to have an income averaging \$3,693 annually.

NEWARK, Sept. 25 - George

The SWP candidate said such

The flood of rent increase orders being granted by the ORS, people, get less than \$2,000 a he said, proves that both capitalyear. These families live on \$1,- ist parties are "friends of the landlords and foes of the tenants." He urged tenants to organize to rescind the rent increases and to They have no money for medical drive the political agents of the

Capacity Audience Speak at Buffalo

BUFFALO, Sept. 22 - Myra Tanner Weiss spoke to a capacity audience at the headquarters of the Socialist Workers Party in Buffalo last night. Workers from auto, steel and electric jammed the hall at 629 Main St., eager working class today. A large number of these workers were Negroes, drawn from the plants ing was the large and enthusiastic turnout of university students.

work in the evenings.

West Coast School Has Workers Party here in Buffalo. Mrs. Weiss inspired her audi-

The education program was Buffalo branch of the Socialist A windup banquet was held campaign, running Farrell Dobbs ments and highlights of the pre- and Vice-President, and where the vious week were reviewed, and Buffalo branch will, for the first with the way it went. I think they geles conducted the other morn- The evening programs were Murry Weiss was welcomed back time, put up a full slate of local