What is the American labor movement going to do in the 1952 elections? According to the AFL Executive Council, labor may just

"If the Democrats don't come up with decent candidates," the Council stated after its Montreal meeting earlier this month, then labor will just reserve its support, and let the politicians see if they can win without labor's active aid.

The AFL officers are peeved with their Democratic political allies. "They conclude we have no place else to go," says the AFL Council. But these clever tacticians have a place to go. For the time being the AFL political strategists will go to their tents and

CIO leaders, on the other hand, have no such "drastic" action in mind. They plan to go ahead supporting the Democrats who have stabbed labor in the back, insulted the labor officials, betrayed their promises, and worst of all, ignored the bleats of protest from the

The workers have nothing to gain from these two "programs" for '52. Both are completely hopeless as a political outlook for labor at a time when politics is decisive in solving basic problems.

Today all roads lead to government: whether it is wages, organizing drives, taxation, prices, adjustments of the cost of living index, housing, or race discrimination. The main power used by the corporations today against the working class to frustrate its demands is the power of government.

The government made up of Democratic and Republican political hacks of the old-line parties is anti-labor to the core. Labor has no real political representation at Washington. It can only beg

#### What the Leaders Want

But this state of affairs suits the union bureaucrats. By lobbying for favors they fulfill to some extent their personal interests; they get appointed to many third-line governmental jobs, are sent all over the world to sell imperialism, and in the process they "better' themselves economically and socially.

In exchange for these favors, the union "statesmen" block expression of the independent political power of the organized labor movement. After the walkout from all government posts Feb. 18, they crawled back into the Truman administration as flunkeys to serve as "window dressing," accepting a few minor posts as payment for this betrayal.

They betrayed the program adopted by their own United Labor Policy Committee just as Truman reneged on the "Fair Deal" promises of his 1948 campaign.

Thus the labor bureaucracy, pursuing its narrow interests as a privileged group, functions as an agent of the capitalist class in the workers' ranks. Company unionism in politics must be met head on. This can only be done by getting rid of this bureaucracy and building a new leadership from the union ranks. The first step along this road is the organization of a national left wing movement in the unions which can bring enough pressure to bear upon the leaders to force them to act in labor's interests.

The 1952 campaign is on. The AFL leaders threaten to sit it out. However, this is not to be taken seriously. They are only freeing their hands to maneuver for a few more concessions. They will be on the bandwagon of one or the other capitalist party when the

The CIO plans an "all-out" campaign for '52 in the same pattern that produced the "terrible" 80th Congress, the "worse 81st Congress and the still worse 82nd Congress. The result can only be continued blows against labor.

#### An Independent Labor Party

The only other road open to the union leadership is the formation of an independent political party of labor. This alternative was II was killed by police in Trenton Among these uniformed killers victims without being hampered to buy their steaks and chops. posed after the ULPC withdrawal last February: Back to the Truman administration, or forward to a labor party. They dared not upon the cops to stop bludgeoning and Henry Miller, both involved victims. Moore stated he will take take the road forward.

For years the AFL hierarchy fought against the mounting shot to death by police who had speaking of the accounts of the General. demands by the workers for industrial unions in the mass production industies. Only when the pressure from below became irresistible did a section of the AFL bureaucracy decide to move.

The subsequent stormy development of the CIO, especially in the auto and rubber industries, left a fearful impression on the present union leaders. The militant actions of these workers, the their liking. new leadership they created and the violent struggles in these dynamic unions, were not to the taste of these conservative-minded office-holders.

If the American workers were organized on the political field, their great power and militancy would be even harder to control. Their demands would inevitably be far-reaching. The union leaders would rather depend upon "friends" among capitalist politicians than be politically accountable to a dynamic labor party.

That is why the struggle for a labor party today must take the form of a fight for a new leadership in the unions, just as the fight for industrial unionism had to be conducted not only against the corporations, but against the conservative union heads. A new left wing in the unions with its foremost objective a labor party, can and will crack the conservative crust of the union bureaucracy and break the existing stalemate in politics. That is the task ahead.

## MYRA WEISS TO SPEAK ON COAST-TO-COAST TOUR

A coast-to-coast tour by Myra Tanner Weiss, outstanding Socialist campaigner in the 1951 Los Angeles city elections, will begin Friday, Sept. 7 in Newark, N. J., and

conclude with the Anniversary celebration of the Russian Revo- at Los Angeles. She played a lution in Los Angeles, Wednesday, Nov. 7. She will speak at meetings held by almost all branches of the Socialist Workers Party during this two month

the topic: "THE OUTLOOK FOR California State AFL Conven-AMERICA: Lessons of the tion. Korean War." Her talk will analyze the "cease-fire" talks and Los Angeles Local of the Sothe possibilities for peace in the cialist Workers Party, and a Far East, the U.S. arms program member of the SWP National and prosperity, and the higher Committee. She has been SWP prices, taxes and profits now being borne by the American peo- and Board of Education in Los political prospects for labor in votes in the 1951 city elections 1952, and the threat to the there. liberties and living standards of the American people. Her talks will also feature a presentation will go on to Boston on the 8th, of a socialist program for the New Haven on the 9th, and be in

34 years ago in Salt Lake City, ward swing, going first to Phila-Utah, where she attended the celphia for a meeting on Sept University of Utah before going 15. A full tour schedule is to be on to the University of California found on Page 2.

prominent role in organizing the agricultural workers of California during the thirties, and was a member of the AFL Cannery Workers Union. She served as a delegate to the founding convention of the Seafarers' Interna-Comrade Weiss will speak on tional Union, and also to the

Mrs. Weiss is Chairman of the candidate for Congress, Mayor ple. In addition, she will deal with Angeles, and received 18,752

After her tour opening in Newark on Sept. 7, Mrs. Weiss New York on Friday, Sept. 14 Myra Tanner Weiss was born after which she begins her west-

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# Call a Halt to the Korea War Bring the Troops Home Now



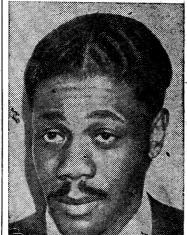
## Brutal Policemen Murder Helpless Trenton Negro

been intimidating him and his murder given by witnesses, said: brothers for over a year, ever and found his "attitude" not to all the trouble."

The cops who killed Kelly have been defended by their acting

Trenton Two





Above are the Trenton Two, frame-up victims in the famous trial of the Trenton Six. While four of the defendants were acquitted, Collis English (at top) and Ralph Cooper were found guilty. The case is being appealed to the higher courts by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the Princeton Defense Committee.

A Negro veteran of World War | Folice Chief, James Di Louie. to kill, maim and frame Negro

tional Association for the Ad-Trenton Six.

#### FREEDOM TO KILL

Chief Di Louie's vicious reference to Attorney Moore can only be taken to mean that the Trenton police, bitter over the blow-up of the Trenton Six, want freedom injuries.

his mother. Robert Kelly, 26, was in the Trenton Six case. Di Louie, the case to the U.S. Attorney Witnesses report that a prowl

"Naturally, they're going to stick car sought to make a peaceable since police questioned him in together with this Moore of the group of Negroes move off a connection with an auto accident NAACP. He's the one stirring up street corner near the segregated Federal housing project where the Di Louie was referring to Clif-Kelly family lives. When they ford Moore, attorney for the Na- protested, the cops used this as a pretext to arrest someone they vancement of the Colored People thought was Robert Kelly. When in Trenton, and also attorney for Kelly's mother intervened, and two acquitted defendants in the told them their victim was not recent frame - up trial of the Kelly at all, they began to beat her. When Kelly interfered, pleading with the cops not to beat his mother, they shot him.

The police arrested five witnesses, including two of Kelly's brothers, and Mrs. Kelly was sent of the lynch scheme in the case to the hospital with head and back

## CEASE-FIRE TALKS BREAK UP AFTER 43 DAYS; U.S. NEGOTIATORS STALL

Forty-three days of repeatedly deadlocked cease-fire negotiations in Korea have led to another deadlock, proving that peace will not come to Asia by that road. The first steps toward peace in the Far East would be to withdraw the U.S. armed forces and bring the American boys back home at once. That is what the Asian peoples want. That is what the American people want. That is what everyone, with the

## THE POOR PEOPLE PAY FOR RICH MAN'S WAR N SENATE TAX SCHEME

It's a rich man's war, but the poor man has to pay for it. That is the truth about the new tax bills in preparation in both the House and Senate.

A new tax proposal announced by the Senate Finance Committee crease the tax of a year. But the tax which would cut the total tax on a million-dollar-a-year income hike to \$412,000,000 less than the would not be increased a single House bill, would, like the House penny by the Senate bill. The bill lay the heaviest burdens upon House bill would leave such a low income families.

According to the Senate committee, the House bill was un- SINCE KOREA reasonably "rough" on the middle and high income groups. This bill would apply a straight 121/2 pertions in the purchasing power of people. the already hard-pressed wage workers, while leaving the high income groups plenty of money

The Senate bill is even more infair to those with less than \$5,000 a year income.

Here is how the new tax bills would work:

the family two dollars a year.

For the same size family with workers. an income of \$100,000 a year, the

millionaire \$100,000 a year to take care of the necessities of life.

Since the Korea war began, more than \$10 billion have been lopped off the incomes of the cent increase in taxes on all in- mass of wage workers. But the comes. Such an across the board new tax bills in preparation would tax makes further drastic reduc- be even rougher on the common

> As the costs of the Korean war and all-out war preparation mount, the people will pay. The big corporations will continue to get back their taxes in the form of new plants and equipment pa

While the monopolists are guaranteed cost-plus profits in the new Defense Production Act, workers wages are frozen. On top For a married couple with two of a rent hike of 20 percent dependents with a \$4,000 a year provided in this Act, and price income, the tax now is \$320. The rises which government officials House bill would take \$360, and predict will reach 10 percent in the Senate bill would take \$358. the next year, higher taxes will pay envelopes of the American

With Big Business controlled tax now is \$51,912. The House Democrats and Republicans undemanded instead that American bill would take \$58,401 and the challenged by a genuine labor Senate bill \$53,720. This would voice in Congress, the shameless save the rich man's family \$4,681 robbery of the people will go on. a year, or more than the total Only a new Congress, made up of income of the \$4,000-a-year man. labor representatives elected by a For a single person, both the Labor Party, can stop the price-House and Senate bills would in- tax steal.

exception of the ruling clique of American monopolists and the Pentagon militarists, The Militant has stated from the beginning that American troops should be withdrawn from

Korea; they had no business there in the first place. The present breakdown of cease-fire negotiations has shown that this is the only way to achieve peace in Asia, to guard against the spread of the Korean War, and the outbreak of World War III. The peoples of Asia will no

longer tolerate any foreign intervention. The day of the socalled "white man's burden" in Asia is definitely over. Troops of foreign intervention cannot be maintained in that portion of the globe without continuous and bitter warfare. The Asian peoples, held down for so long by foreign imperialisms are moving

out on their own at last. The fallacy behind the ceasefire negotiations as conducted by Washington is that they have been carried on with the very same end in view as the war itself. The conferences, like the war, were intended to see to it that U.S. troops stay in Korea, and that these troops occupy the strongest possible military posi-

But the true situation is that either warfare or peace negotiaions which are based upon the presence of foreign occupying armies in Asia must end in failure. The Asian peoples will never stand for it, and the American people are opposed to it.

#### DELIBERATE STALL

Truce negotiations which broke down last week have been deliberately stalled by the U.S. negotiators. The Chinese proposed Thus, the Senate bill would save take an even bigger bite into the that all non-Korean armies be withdrawn from Korea and the people of Korea be left to decide their own fate. The U.S. generals armies stay in Korea, and even that the native Asian armies withdraw from their present positions and yield more of their own native land to the intervening army! Should negotiations begin again, the same problem would

> Pentagon policy in the Far East is guided at the present time by the imperialist idea of maintaining large military forces in Korea, Japan, in Pacific islands throughout the region, and maintaining a powerful fleet and air force in Asian waters and the Asian sky. The coming Japanese treaty conference, which opens in San Francisco on Sept. 4, will be bludgeoned into approving a pact that guarantees this Pentagon objective. For this reason, the U.S. truce team at Kaesong has been deliberately stalling negotiations. They apparently have been instructed not to arrive at a peace agreement that might remove warlike tension at least during the period of the San Francisco conference.

#### BEHIND THE DEADLOCK

This stalling by the U.S. was confirmed by the Wall Street Journal, which carried a dispatch from Washington on Friday, Aug. 17 appraising the truce deadlock as follows:

"The U.S. reaction is to demand more than we expect the Communists ever to concede. Barring a complete cave-in by the Reds, the State Dept. would prefer no cease-fire deal until after the San Francisco conference ends."

Pentagon stalling designed to build up imperialist strength in the Far East can never bring peace. Bring the troops back home! That's the way to end Korean fighting.

# What Truman Could Do If He Really Opposed the Witch-Hunt

In an article entitled: "Give us deeds, not words in | the fight on McCarthyism," I. F. Stone, columnist for the N. Y. Compass says: "President Truman's favorite rejoinder, every time the Russians

speak of peace, is to ask them TRUMAN CHALLENGED for deeds, not words. I would like to see Mr. Truman give us deeds, not words, in the fight against "with some good concrete action." McCarthvism."

out that Truman's civil liberties Truman: record is as bad, if not worse, establishing such procedures country. which was less fair to govern-"alien and sedition law" but he the source of this evidence. . . deportation raids against aliens But this was done by the Truman dure he established does exactly

Stone challenges Truman to "demonstrate his sincerity" in his statements against McCarthyism As a "starter" Stone proposes The liberal columnist points the following three actions to

"1. MR. TRUMAN CAN REthan that of his Republican op- INSTATE DOROTHY BAILEY. ponents whom he attacks. In ... For Miss Bailey was branded 1947, Truman opposed a Repub- disloyal and ordered discharged ican bill for loyalty procedures (from her job in the U.S. Emfor Government employees, but he ployment Service) in one of the nimself "wrote an executive order weirdest trials ever held in this

"Everything on the record was ment employees than the Repub- in her favor. The only 'evidence' lican bill to which he objected." against her was evidence which Truman has said repeatedly that was never disclosed to her and he would never allow another even her judges were never told himself has instructed his at- "That is hardly a fair trial. torney general to initiate the That is McCarthyism in action.

not by the Wisconsin Senator.

was far removed from any contact with security matters. He was a \$45-a-week clerk in the day, Stone showed how Truman's Veterans' Administration in Newark. He is a Purple Heart McCarthy-McCarran legislation. veteran who lost both his legs in combat in Italy. The ground for

"This case is the reductio ad absurdum of the entire Truman loyalty program, since SWP is Trotzkyite and therefore bitterly have reinstated Kutcher a long about as ungrateful, cruel and period of hysteria.

Workers Party.

"3. MR. TRUMAN SHOULD REVISE THE EXECUTIVE ORDER GOVERNING LOYALTY INVESTIGATIONS. The proceand the seditious - conspiracy administration's loyalty agencies, what he attributes to McCarthyism. It permits conviction on and his administration.

"2. MR. TRUMAN CAN RE- undisclosed, evidence, 'guilt by INSTATE JAMES KUTCHER. association' and the smearing of Like Miss Bailey, Kutcher's job whole organizations without a hearing." In a follow-up column the next

executive order is worse than In his 1948 political campaign

Truman made a big point of his his discharge was his admitted civil liberties program. But he has membership in the Socialist not taken a single step to carry not taken a single step to carry out the promises he made to fight for preservation of the constitutional rights of the people.

Instead Truman himself initiated the drastic government purge anti-Stalin. The President should of Federal employes, in which the smear tactics, later copied by time ago. His discharge was McCarthy, were first used. And it is Truman who is responsible senseless an action as anything for the Palmer-raid type of which has happened during this wholesale arrests and indictment of Stalinist leaders, imprisoning people for their ideas alone.

The hounding of all critical opponents of U.S. government policies was begun by Truman, and it is being continued by him

## Notebook of an Agitator

#### SPEAKING OF TRIALS AND CONFESSIONS

American newspapermen, who are known for their capacity to report the troubles of others, however grievous, with objective detachment, are showing more than a casual interest in some troubles of their own that have come up in Czechoslovakia. William N. Oatis, correspondent of the Associated Press in Czechoslovakia, was arrested on a charge of espionage, and after a short imprisonment, was brought into court where he confessed and was sentenced to ten years imprisonment. There have been other cases of this kind, and the imperturbable journalists managed to take them all in stride. They calmly reported such facts as they found and thought worthy of notice without intruding any personal opinions. But in their accounts and comments on the case of Oatis they strike the emotional note of partisans. They are disturbed about the fate of their colleague, and they want something done about it. This, they seem to be saying, is going too far. This trial of Oatis involves us; it involves everybody.

Similarly, a short time ago the case of Cardinal Mindszenty started the Catholic hierarchy in the United States off on a holy crusade for justice and fair play, with Cardinal Spellman. the bull-necked proconsul of the Roman pope, bellowing in the lead. Their fellow prelate, they said - whenever they caught their breath had been falsely accused of crimes to which he had falsely confessed. These sons of the Holy Inquisition protested with excited violence against such an outrage, as though they had made a sudden discovery of something that had never happened before. The trial of Mindszenty is our trial, they said; the case of Mindszenty is everybody's case.

In the same way, American businessmen discovered hitherto unsuspected capacities for moral indignation within their own breasts when William Vogeler had his turn in a Stalinist court in Hungary. They also protested in the name of justice. They contended that the affair of Vogeler is everybody's affair. To be sure, their concern for justice was somewhat belated, and did not occur until a member of their own community was directly involved. But late converts often make up for their tardiness by excessive

#### THE LONG HISTORY OF FRAME-UPS

Apparently they all have just discovered the importance of justice, but it has been needing defense for a long time. The right of each and every individual under accusation, whoever he may be, to a fair trial and an honest verdict has been brutally violated many times in many places. Crimes against justice have not been confined to any one country or social regime. For fifteen years now the whole world has known that justice has no dwelling place in the domain of Stalin, The Moscow Trials of 1986-37 revealed for all to see the main features of the standardized juridical technique of Stalinism the staged trial, the frame-up and the false confession. Nobody among the better people got excited about it as long as honest revolutionists or pure and simple scapegoats were the defendants in the dock. Show trials of this sort, usually culminating in the summary execution of the victims, evoked neither surprise nor protest from the editorial and ecclesiastical keepers of morals in the countries of Western civilization. Their concern for justice for its own sake, for any man whatever, was sound asleep in these cases. They didn't bother to inquire whether the victims were innocent or guilty. They didn't care.

The novelty of this monstrous business in the USSR wore off a long time ago. Even the extension of the system of frame-ups and forced confessions to the countries occupied or controlled by the Kremlin was accepted as a matter of course. But, if one is to judge by the present trend of public opinion, as it is currently being manufactured, things are different now. It seems that even in matters of justice and morals, it makes a difference whose ox is gored. When representatives of Western culture were caught in the steel net of the Stalinist police state, it became Page One news. Pulpits and editorial pages barked like angry guns. Diplomatic intervention by Washington followed right away, and restrictive economic measures have already been taken in retaliation. Even conventions of merchants and manufacturers - for the first time in their existence put justice on the agenda, and adopted resolutions in favor of it.

The immorality of the Stalinists, it would appear, consists in the fact that they don't know how to put reasonable and proper limits on their perversions of justice. They think frameups and fake confessions are good enough for everybody, and are proceeding accordingly. They are now persecuting and framing up the wrong people, and extracting confessions from them. No social category is spared. Just consider again some of their latest victims. A prince of the Holy Roman Catholic Church is brought into court after some months of "conditioning" in solitary confinement. There he confesses to specified offenses ranging from the high crime of treason to the petty misdemeanor of mean and sordid speculation in the black market for personal gain: Going still higher in the scale of human personality, the Stalinist gang in Hungary dared to lay hands on an American businessman, a vice-president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. They got a confession out of him too. And now, worst of all, as this is written, no less a man than the correspondent of the sacrosanct Associated Press of the United States has been arrested on a charge of spying and dragged into court at Prague. He also confessed.

#### A NEW HUE AND CRY

Confessions, all patterned to fit the current political requirements of the ruling Stalinists, are rolling out of the courtrooms in the Eastern European countries like identical automobiles from a Detroit assembly line. They are the same kind of confessions as those made by other victims of the Stalinist police system before Mindszenty, Vogeler and Oatis; and the methods of extracting them were very probably the same as those used against the others. Everything is just about the same except the public reaction in the United States. That is what is new and different.

There is no nonchalance in the report and discussion of these new confessions. There is no indifference to the fate of the victims. Far from it. The noble ideal of justice, sadly neglected in the consideration of other cases with other victims, steps forth now in the flesh and blood of a different kind of people. There is a hullabaloo and a hue and cry; and a widespread, excited demand that something be done about it. The protests are all built around three main contentions:

1. The confessions are false. The prisoners who made the confessions are not to be condemned on any grounds whatever. On the contrary, they are to be elevated as heroes and martyrs.

2. Prisoners in the hands of police (in a Stalinist country) can be forced by various means of physical and mental torture, perhaps even by the use of drugs, to make false confessions. This is a new practice invented by the Stalinists.

3. It is morally wrong and reprehensible to frame up innocent people and force them to confess to crimes they did not commit. We must protest against this ghastly practice in the name of humanity.

This new campaign for justice invites a discussion in which others can join, and which can be fruitful, Right now, public opinion is concerning itself with these particular trials and - and I think they are - the discussion should not be limited to the cases of the Catholic ecclesiastic and the American businessman in Hungary, and the American journalist in Czechoslovakia. Why not include other cases in the discussion? And trials and confessions in general, and the social environment in which they take place? The elemental questions of justice and humanity are at issue in the trial of any man, and so is the social regime under which the trials take place. This is a wide field, well worthy of examination and discussion at this

((Next Week: The Matter of Justice)

### **Europe** Bitter Over Marshall Plan Failure

#### Cry 'Eisenhower Go' Home' to General

By Thomas Raymond Why did 50,000 Parisians greet General Eisenhower upon his arrival in Paris last year with cries of "Eisenhower, Go Home," and pelt Supreme HQ with handfuls of garbage?

Why did half-a-million workers shouting the same slogan parade through Paris on May 1st?

Part of the answer is to be found in the urgent desire of the European people for peace. They know that Eisenhower is there to make, not peace, but war. But that is not the whole answer. The remainder is to be found in the fact that American capitalism has failed to do what it has promised. It has failed to bring prosperity through the Marshall

If the Marshall Plan had been able to accomplish even a part of what it promised when it was inaugurated in 1947, the people of Europe might have been imbued with a martial spirit, a desire to defend capitalism. But the key to the difficulties of the Allied High Command in Europe is in the fact that the Marshall Plan has been a miserable failure, as we have shown in two previous articles in The Militant. It has been a partial success only in one respect: in the armaments field. But in so far as its chief expressed aim was the raising of absolutely no success.

As a matter of fact, the very the Marshall Plan. The standard as the chief instance, is probably somewhat lower than pre-war, and also than post-war pre-Marshall Plan. And for this lower standard of living, the worker must work longer hours than reviously.

#### WORKERS' PLIGHT

Butter, cigarets, coffee, and numerous other items cost the French worker more hours of labor, in many cases two or three times as many hours of labor, than these same items used to cost him in 1938. In addition, the worker pays almost one-third of his pay for social-security, and another big chunk for income tax, while huge capitalist firms pay

With these results from ECA, is it any wonder that the French are so hostile to Einsenhower? This hostility has compelled Eisenhower to move his home residence out of Paris to the hunting lodge of President Vincent Auriol, and to move his headquarters from the Champs Elysee to the tiny village of Roquenourt, 15 miles out of Paris.

Eisenhower has given orders that the five-star insignia of his limousine be covered over whenever a trip to Paris is made. Can the fear of further anti-U.S. demonstrations have anything to do with this? The fact that GIs are warned against walking alone in Paris is a symptom of the same fear. A U.S. corporal, interviewed by a French news-

warlike mood of American imperialism, and the consequent hatred of American troops.

ing to Allen, is now preparing "sweeping changes in the Atomic Energy Act."

smoothly. There is an opposition nouncement will be forthcoming in the ranks of the Joint Congressional Committee. The report-Why the secrecy and the delay? ed leader of this opposition is Representative Henry Jackson Democrat of Washington.

Allen cites Jackson as having "voiced strenuous hostility" to or making profits out of any of the power grab by the utilities the various atomic fields. Frantic "in closed door meetings." Jack maneuvers are now on foot to son is opposed to "letting the private utilities carry off the prize of the century, making elec-

tric power by atomic energy. "It is the money of all the

The whole history of capitalism has been a series of "outrages and the vast natural resources but The Truman administration is also each and every conquest of

### Hounding the Foreign-Born



Foreign born men and women about to board a New York ferry for Ellis Island and possible deportation are among 39 rounded up in four cities. Their bail was revoked on order of the Justice Department, as the Truman administration expanded its

# **Poor Peasants** In India Fight Against Evictions

Behind the widely known news bout the earthquakes, floods and famine in India is the lesser marched in a ten-mile long proknown, but even more important cession from the banks of the news that the mass of Indian Jumna River to the Imperial peasants are seething with anger | Secretariat at Delhi to formally and revolt. Rural India has bemay not long be postponed.

On June 3 the mass ferment among India's peasants, workers hungry and the naked of India. and other poor took the form of a Hundreds of thousands watched under the auspices of the Indian Socialist Party, the Hind Kisan Panchyat, a peasant organization affiliated to the SP and the Hind Mazdoor Sahha.

EDITOR: In an article entitled

16) by Murry Weiss it appears

that a basic error has been set

its effectiveness. That error

centers about the doctrine of in-

fallibility. This doctrine is ap-

with faith and morals, and

speaks ex cathedra. It is highly

doubtful that the address given

at the rural congress would fall

in this category. Unless the Pope

was speaking ex-cathedra and or

faith and morals he is liable to

err as well as any other human.

One can easily imagine how

the Catholic press would play up

this error in order to destroy the

If the Pope did speak ex-

cathedra then consider my critic-

ism withdrawn. Articles of this

type are sorely needed to combat

the lies ground out by the

Vatican propaganda machine.

effectiveness of this article.

50,000 peasants, workers and students, wearing red caps, make their demands upon the come a volcano whose eruption government and to present a "People's Charter," calling for bread, clothes and shelter to the huge demonstration at Delhi, and cheered the demonstrators who shouted such slogans as:

> "Hungry and Naked India Demands Bread, Clothes and Shelter!"

"A Government that Cannot End Blackmarketing and Corruption Has No Right to Exist!" "We Cannot Go Ahead Until We Change the Government!"

The demonstrators had gathered from every part of the country. From Punjab came Sikh neasants who marched shoulder to shoulder with Muslim workers from the United Provinces. "Vatican Spreads Anti-Socialist Peasant men and women came by the thousand from Uttar Prandesh, Rajasthan, East Puniab and other provinces; many women walked on foot from areas as far as 150 miles from Delhi.

Strong contingents of workers from Delhi unions brought up the rear of this dramatic march.

The disillusion and growing discontent with the Nehru regime, which pretends to be a friend of the peasants, expressed in the slogans and moods of this demonstration at Delhi, has its roots in the perpetuation of the rule of the landlords in India.

Added to the old evils and oppressions has been the wave of evictions that has swept over India in the last four years.

A resolution adopted by the National Executive Committee of the India Socialist Party on July 2 of this year states that these evictions have been taking place "practically in all parts of the country" and that "While more than a million of cultivators have been ejected in the last four years, hundreds of thousands of them were not allowed even to reap the harvest sown by them."

Among those evicted are not alone tenant farmers but also agricultural workers who were "forced out of their homesteads, too.'

Many of these evictions take Militant, who was stricken with a place without even formal legal orocedure. Landlords and ther agents have "freely resorted . . . to brutal assaults." The officials locally connive with the landlords and wink at their "brutal highhandedness" while any peaceful Long noted for his coverage of attempts by the peasants to resist are "crushed by officials with a heavy hand in the name of law and order."

The Socialist Party resolution then goes on to condemn the "Congress governments" for "bureaucratic indifference" to the plight of the poor reasants; for delaying the passage of laws to halt the evictions and failing to carry them out after these laws

had been "passed under pressure." The Indian share-croppers who cultivate about one-half of the country's arable land have been left without any protection at all. They have neither security of cultivation nor fixation of a fair rent. Rents range between 40 and 60 percent of the gross produce."

It is clear from the above that the conditions in India today parallel those in China under the regime of Chiang Kai-shek. The role of the Nehru government, despite its loud protestations of the need of reforms, likewise comes quite close to a repetition of Chiang's course.

The Hind Kisan Panchyat and the India Socialist Party have been in the forefront of the struggles in defense of the poor peasants, in particular against the evictions of the tenant cultivators and the agricultural laborers.

In a letter of July 8, Ramnadan Mishra, General Secretary of Hind Kisan Panchyat, writes to The Militant: "About 20,000 persons have been arrested in the struggles of resistance conducted by the Hind Kisan Panchyat and the Socialist Party during the (last) three years. . ."

"It is high time," continues Ramnadan Mishra, "that the international Socialist movement takes note of this grave problem facing rural India. . . . Please let the people of your country know of this peaceful struggle of the village poor. I hope you will induce the organizations of agricultural workers and poor farmers to lend their support to this

## **Letters from Readers**

expression of opinion, whether everything to get and retain pro or con, and will make an himself in power. Killing is one effort to print all letters received of his methods. The Capitalistic from readers as promptly as pos- system is blood-thirsty, and Ne- Falsehoods" (The Militant, July sible. Names will be withheld upon request.

## Very Brave Woman"

EDITOR: Jean Blake's article, "Effective Defense Against the standard of living of the Mobs," in the July 23rd issue of European people, it has had the Militant, is the most provocative, logical, and sensible plan out" to build a railroad or of action for Negroes to retaliate pposite results have come from against violence I have ever read. It is also the most honest. Every of living of the French workers, Negro publication should carry a reprint or comment on it.

> The Militant is the only paper outside of the Negro publications that rightly criticizes and blasts the mis-leadership of Negro leaders and their organizations. Other well-meaning persons and organizations seem afraid to point out the bad side of the Negro struggle.

Jean Blake has outlined the ONLY course of action for we Negroes that are living in fear of bombings, lynchings, mobs, and other forms of violence. Her plan may seem extreme to those that haven't read of the uprisings and insurrections of the Negroes and white in slavery times, that led to the present day of "freedom" for the Negro.

But, to the Poor-and-Rich-White Trash alike, who think ed, Violence is the only thing he

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The Militant welcomes every understands. The capitalist uses Papal Infallibility groes for one is first at its mercy. The Negroes in particular, and the white workers in general, forth which causes an otherwise "Many Thanks to a man, woman and child are being excellent article to lose some of destroyed indirectly and directly, o why not fight back?

The capitalistic system glorifies attacks on other persons. Take plicable only when the Pope deals your movies for an example, notice how the hero "shoots it bridge, or how the white man just glorifies himself for "fighting back."

Many, many thanks to a very prave woman that has the guts to put the finger on a spot that s the only answer to the white chauvinists killings.

I see now why Big Business is naking more inroads into religions. In the South through the Negro churches we have been kept docile, humble and strongly for the non-violence part of religion. The preachers are repetiticus on "give the white man the money, and the Negro, God" So as to conquering the white militant and progressive spirit, which they have carried over to the Negro, they are encouraging them to get more religious like the Negro. The white churches are breaking down segregation, part of the unite and conquer.

Good-luck!

This Is the Kind of Foreign Policy

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#### **After Operations** Art Preis, veteran labor journalist and Labor Editor of The

**Art Preis Home** 

perforated ulcer last June 21, is now convalescing at his home. After having undergone two major operations, Comrade Preis was released from the hospital in improved condition.

major labor news, Preis has been an oustanding socialist journalist for many years. His background, as a leader of Ohio unemployed workers during the depression of the thirties has equipped him for understanding class struggles and the men and women who participate in them. Messages for Comrade Preis

may be addressed to The Militant and will be forwarded to him.

## Myra Weiss Tour Schedule

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Electric power from atomic fact. An experimental plant is reportedly already operating at the reactor stations of the Atomic Energy Commission's installations at Avco, Nevada.

This truly sensational news was made public by columnist Robert S. Allen on Aug. 20. But the news is being kept secret. According to Allen, no official anuntil next month.

Because as matters stand now the private monopolists, the utility giants in particular, are barred by law from engaging in drastically alter the existing laws, with the monopolists, of course, pushing the hardest for it.

#### ATOM GRAB

The Atomic Energy Commission is already on record in favor of saying. "And it would be an revising the laws so that the outrage and a scandal to turn profiteers can immediately grab them over to the utilities to exthe boundless reserves of power ploit for their own profit." from atomic electric plants. The utility magnates are, naturally doing everything in their power scandals" whereby a tiny minority to push this revision through be- has monopolized for its own fore the public awakens to the private benefit and to the great magnitude of the contemplated injury of the majority not only

eagerly going along and, accord-science.

#### paper, was asked why he never dated French girls, and answered: "I tried, but I got my face Local Addresses This is a far cry from the **Of Socialist** popular American-in-Paris legend. energy is an already accomplished and the cause of it is the failure of the Marshall Plan, the obvious

But everything is not going so

people that is making these things possible," Jackson is quoted as

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### Candidates Worth Voting For

The Militant wholeheartedly endorses the Socialist Workers Party candidates who are now campaigning in the local fall elections in six states; New York, California, Michigan, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Massachusetts.

We urge our readers in the respective localities to support morally and materially the candidacy of Michael Bartell for President of City Council in New York; of Clyde Turner for City Councilman in Philadelphia; George Breitman for New Jersey Assembly from Essex County; Harry Press for Supervisor and another candidate still to be nominated for Mayor of San Francisco, Howard Lerner for Mayor of Detroit; and Lawrence Trainor for the Boston School Com-

We urge ALL our readers to follow these election campaigns, assimilate their lessons and in this way prepare the ground in their own areas for similar election activities.

There is nothing routine about the campaigns of the Socialist Workers Party candidates. They are not just another set of selfish politicians greedy for posts. They are the unwavering partisans of the toiling people, of the underpaid and the overworked, of all oppressed national and racial minorities, of all the disinherited and the downtrodden.

They are the only genuine independent candidates opposing the nominees of the Democratic and Republican parties, who are not two different parties at all, but simply two rival but loyal agencies of Big Business, the billionaire enemies of man-

Never before has the need for independent anti-capitalist political action been so acute. For never before have the politicians of both pro-capitalist parties so misled, misinformed and lied to the American people as they do today. Never have they so brazenly defied the will of the people.

Take the case of Korea. Every public poll has shown that the overwhelming majority of our people are opposed to any continuation of hostilities there and want the troops brought back home. Yet it is Truman and his Democratic Party who

are responsible for plunging into Korea and for stalling on even a truce. As for the Republicans, they are actively opposed to "cease-fire" and demand the extension of the war to China's mainland.

The capitalists are determined to make labor and the lowest income groups pay for Korea, pay for the costs of their record "peace-time" arms program in preparation for the all-out war they are plotting. And the politicians of both parties are doing precisely that on a national, state and local scale.

More and more workers are asking: Why are we burdened with the crushing load of taxes, wage freezes, sky-rocketing prices, while unheard-of profits keep rolling into the coffers of the rich?

The American people are seeking for answers and solutions. But they are not afforded the opportunity to register their opposition at the polls to the total militarism which is being imposed or the witch-hunt which is step by step destroying democratic rights and the most elementary civil liberties.

The official labor leaders bear the primary responsibility for the absence in the elections of independent labor candidates. The Socialist Workers Party, despite its limited forces and resources, has consistently carried forward wherever possible the indispendable task of politically mobilizing, organizing and educating the workers in the course of elec-

Votes for Socialist Workers Party candidates have grown consistently, as witnessed by the almost 19,000 votes cast for Myra Tanner Weiss in the elections for the Los Angeles Board of Education

There are tens of thousands of others still to be reached, and behind these are the still untouched millions, groping and seeking for effective and realizable alternatives to capitalism.

The greatest significance of the Socialist Workers Party candidates is that they carry the message of truth — the Socialist truth which alone can save the people in the fateful days we live in, the most trying, critical and decisive in the history of our country and of the whole

# The Heritage Trotsky Left To Labor Here and Abroad

The great heritage Leon Trotky left to the American workers and their brothers throughout the world is his system of political ideas, the most advanced of our

The heart of Trotsky's ideas is ontained in his analysis of the lecay of the capitalist order, still dominant in the world today as it was in Trotsky's lifetime; and in his conclusion of the inexorable need to replace capitalism by socialism.

In the days of Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, the founders of scientific socialism, capitalism was still in the ascendant. With the prevision of geniuses and with the aid of the scientific method of thinking they had disrovered. Marx and Engels were able to outline the main tendencies and forces within capitalism leading to its downfall, and the eventual triumph of socialism. Lenin who lived through the first stage of capitalist decay, brought their doctrine to-date, analyzing the final, or imperialist stage of capitalist development.

#### DEATH AGONY

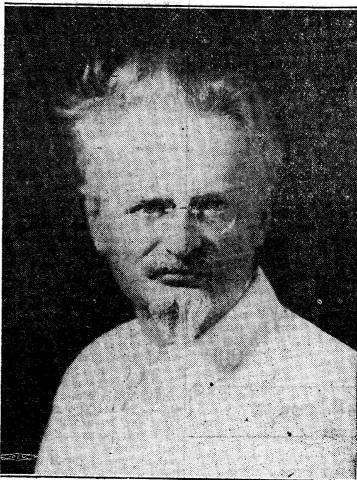
Trotsky was the foremost theoretician of the final phases of this decay, or, as he called it, 'the death agony of capitalism.'

In this phase of its development the capitalist system shows in every field of social activity how completely outlived it is turning into an absolute obstacle to human progress.

In the first stages of imperial- at the expense of other branches | Europe is wholly bankrupt, comism, at the turn of our century, in the respective economies. the capitalist system still appeared to afford the opportunity for a world-wide development of the productive forces, the material capitalism has deprived the in- tcn. premise for all progress. But that dividual peoples and the whole was the only the appearance. The world of any future other than a reality proved just the opposite.

the capitalist system has tended industry, or of an individual im- thereby to war itself. perialist power, like the United States for example. But this could the case of individual industries

Leon Trotsky



1879 -- 1940

#### NO FUTURE

Bereft of any future for itself, and its government in Washingseries of catastrophic crises, eco With the rise of imperialism, nomic, political and social.

more and more to global destruc- productive forces either on a na- tervention as to the really decisive tion. It pauperized the world and tional or world scale on a peace- services rendered by the Kremlin the individual peoples under its time basis, capitalist production to its former "democratic" allies sway. This did not preclude the becomes geared more and more following World War II. growth of this or that branch of closely to war production and

Thirteen years ago in his classic take place only at the expense of Capitalism and the Tasks of the world economy as a whole and in | Fourth | International, Trotsky | capitalist class. wrote: "The whole world outlook, and consequently also the WAR END-RESULT inner political life of individual violent ripples of apprehension capable of denying this. through the very broadest masses of mankind."

#### APPLY TODAY

These words are just as apthe very same reason, namely, sected to a new and horrible because the destinies of mankind enslavement similar to fascism. are still being determined by imperialism thanks not so much to the inherent power of American capitalism as to the betrayal of development capitalism left the verified before our very eyes. The die." the struggle for socialism by the Stalinists and the Social Democrats, still the traditional leading parties of the workers in the advanced capitalist countries.

"The capitalist world is mortally wounded. In its agony it exhales the poisons of fascism and totalitarian war. . . Capitalism is utterly incapable of assuring the well-being of the masses and equally incapable of assuring peace. Less than a generation has passed since the last 'war to end war' and we already find ourselves on the threshold of a new world Trotsky spelled a terrible threat war, infinitely more horrible than to Stalinism. the last one."

above-cited document, we need famous as co-leader with Lenin only add that the intervals be- of the Russian Revolution in tween imperialist wars have 1917, organizer and leader of the grown so short that today one and Red Army throughout the years the same generation, within a of the Civil War, a writer of span of six years, again con- genius, a working class leader of fronts another threat of war "in- uncompromising integrity. finitely more horrible than the

Thirteen years ago, when Trotsky wrote of the capitalist world as "mortally wounded," there was no lack of scoffers, especially in the so-called "democratic" camp. Observe the world the toilers of the Soviet Union picture to-day.

There is only one sector of world capitalism that can even IDEAS OF SOCIALISM pretend to solvency and tem-

this farce, the same general For doing what any defense reviewed and upheld the finding true ideas of socialism. do is give the courts-martial a instructed his executive officer to confessions were obtained, and attorney owes to his client, he of the court, and later the Board "make an example" of the youth. accepted by the court-martial was reprimended by a general. of Review in Washington did the anti-socialist, predatory and Thus the case was not tried on with no questions asked. After When the captain refused to same. Finally, the Judge Ad- rapacious character of the Stalits merits, but under instructions the war, the Navy Review Board accept the reprimand, but demand-vocate reversed the decision, but inist bureaucracy, its corrupt The old military code gave the to get a certain result — instruc- in this case pressed for a com- ed a court-martial, he was tried not before the unfortunate and dictatorial regime, but supmilitary courts explicit jurisdic- tions passed down by the "boss" plete reversal, since it found the before a court appointed by the captain had made a name for plied the political program for preventing the growth of an inde- movement, whose foremost leader tion over the armed forces only. who has great powers over every convictions to be based upon such general appeared himself as a "Bolshevik" which the overthrow of Stalin's dictator- pendent socialist movement out- in our times was Leon Trotsky. By custom, this jurisdiction be- man involved in that court- flimsy evidence that injustice had before the court in a rage, and is what they call his sort in the ship, the abolition of the outrage- side and inside the Soviet Union; Instead, the great socialist flood

backward countries. In fact, even Truman's ballyhooed "Point Four" still remains on paper. COLONIAL EMPIRES The very existence of imperialism depends on the perpetuation of colonial empires, draining away

matter of fact, the flowering

of capitalism would have been

impossible without the colonial

enslavement of most of the

Nowhere is the bankruptcy and

decay of capitalism more evident

than in the former and still sur-

While appropriating scores upon

scores of billions for arms, Wash-

ington has never entertained

spending more than a few million

dollars for the development of

earth's population.

viving colonial areas.

That the native capitalists have just as little to offer the colonial peoples is illustrated strikingly by the case of India, where the native capitalists have been in the seats of power for the last three and a half years.

from them as much as possible

and giving them as little as

possible in return.

#### CONDITIONS IN INDIA

The lot of the Indian peasantry. the overwhelming majority of the population, remains by and large what it was under British rule. And what has been the record of India's industrial expansion? In the last three years there have been built and have begun production in India the the Twentieth Century. The chief to hand-outs from Wall Street | following: 24 textile mills, 10 cement factories, 40 plastic manu- on the shoulders of the old workfacturing and molding factories and a single paper mill. The total capital investment all these represent is approximately Rs 160 million or about 34 million American dollars.

> At that rate it would take several centuries before India becomes a major industrial power and it would be possible to even talk realistically of raising the ica, will bridge the existing gap living standards of the hungry by breaking irrevocably with the and naked millions there.

By weighing down most heavily on the colonial people, capitalism has made the abolition of its rule the precondition for the emancipation of the oppressed peoples in Asia, Africa and Latin

"By its very creation of enormous difficulties and dangers for the imperialist metropolitan war, unless the American capital- centers, the war opens up wide they will extend the current ples. The rumbling of cannon in Europe heralds the approaching prove to have no independent plicable today as they were on civil rights until the workers and hour of their liberation," wrote meaning or life of their own, but Leon Trotsky at the outbreak of will merge with and will be con-World War II in his last programmatic document entitled: Imperialist War and the Proletarian then will the bell finally toll for World Revolution.

great bulk of mankind, the vast whole of Asia is aflame with masses of colonial Asia, Africa revolt, aroused and inspired by and Latin America, in a condi- the conquests of the Chinese tion of abysmal degradation. As revolution: The flames of the colonial revolution have already leaped over into the Near and Middle East and Africa appears to be next.

#### DEATH OF A SYSTEM

The disintegration of the world capitalist system is being most dramatically underscored by the mounting successes of multiplying colonial struggles. This process is an irreversible one. Colonial slaves who refuse to be slaves any longer will never again be subjugated by imperialism. Nor is it possible for capitalism to recover from so mortal a wound as the loss of its colonial empires.

There are no hermetically sealed divisions between the retarded and the advanced countries, Trotsky taught this throughout his life. Developments in one mutually influence and combine with the developments in the other.

Nor are the democratic revolutions of the oppressed peoples sealed off from the socialist revolutions. On the contrary, they tend to combine with one another, with the first being consummated only by the second. This was the cardinal precept of Trotsky's entire theoretical approach to the socialist transformation of society.

Because of a peculiar combination of historical circumstances, the proletarian revolutions in the advanced capitalist countries have been retarded in the first half of responsibility for this also falls ing-class parties, the Stalinists on the one side, the Social Democrats, on the other.

#### AN EPISODE

But this retardation, important as it has been, is purely episodic. The Socialist proletariat of Europe, shoulder to shoulder with the awakening workers in Amertraditional parties not alone of capitalism but those inside labor's ranks who remained tied up with the exploiters, who are interested in privileges for themselves and who are congenitally incapable of carrying out a consistent policy in the interests of the exploited workers and the oppressed

Once this historic leap takes place, as it inescapably will, sweeping the colonial world will summated by the world socialist transformation. Then and only capitalism. As Trotsky said "For We have seen this forecast mankind to live, capitalism must

# Why Stalin Murdered Leon Trotsky in 1940

#### By Charles Hanley The mere existence of Leon

for murdering Trotsky was to silence the voice of the single accuser whose words kept ringing throughout the world denouncing the successive betrayals and crimes of the Kremlin against and of the whole world.

Trotsky not only exposed the ous privileges and power of the and on the other, as a means of will, in the end, engulf Stalinism.

bureaucracy and the restoration cementing his alliance with Ger-

rule, to resume the road of Lenin, to pin their faith once again on motives, Stalin was motivated by the international working class and the spread of the socialist tates, he was filled with an inrevolution to the advanced capitalsatiable hatred of the man whose ist countries and among the optruth, integrity and loyalty to the pressed colonial peoples. The workers' cause contrasted so Kremlin could not but view him with fear and hatred.

Stalin's course, then as today, was for a compromise with imperialism. He had then already paved the way for the consummation of his pact with Hitler in 1939 by the most monstrous blood purge in history for which the Moscow Frameup Trials of 1936-38 provided the legalistic cover.

n August 1940, after a previous abortive attempt in May of the same year, came as a climax to this blood purge and its frameup trials in each of which Trotsky and his son, Leon Sedov, had figured as the principal defend- Trotsky personified and thus ants in absentia.

#### DOUBLE PURPOSE

For Stalin the murder of

of genuine workers' democracy. man imperialism, which, as He summoned the Soviet peo- Molotov correctly stated at the ples to rise up against Stalinist time, had been "sealed in blood." In addition to these political personal reasons. Like all apos-

> sharply with his own falsifications, corruption and treachery. Stalin had long thirsted for personal revenge against the fearless and incorruptible fighter who had exposed and pilloried

him before the world. Stalin's immediate reason for killing Trotsky, namely the reinforcing of his alliance with Hitler, The assassination of Trotsky did not pay off. As everybody

the murder of Trotsky, Hitler struck, invading the USSR on June 22, 1941.

Stalin's long-range reason, namely to behead the movement assure the perpetuation of the rule of the Soviet bureaucracy will not pay off either. The Kremlin and its political under-Trotsky was intended to serve on world will never succeed in the one hand, as a means of liquidating the world socialist

### Iron-Heel "Justice" Dispensed By U.S. Armed Forces Courts By Harry Frankel A 19-year-old boy not long ago tried to marry a bobby-soxer, and found that she was too young to get a license. They exchanged rings anyway, promised to marry

as soon as they could, and settled down to live together. When he had to leave for a while, the youth, a Navy sailor, obtained financial help for his wife in the form of a dependency allotment. As an outgrowth of these events, this lad was charged with fraud against the government, transporting a woman across

#### and fornication. He had no effective defense counsel, and was brutally sentenced to 18 years at hard labor!

#### NAVY JUSTICE You will say that this is im-

possible, that any court in the United States would have thrown out the charges on the ground that the girl and boy were united head Justice; A Look at Our by a common-law marriage. But | Military Courts," in the August you would be wrong. Because this Readers Digest gives an inside boy was a sailor. His case was glimpse into the court-martial tried by a Navy court - martial egged on by a vindictive admiral author, Arthur J. Keeffe, Prowith his own ideas of "law" and fessor of Law at Cornell, served day in the courts of the armed Navy General Court-Martial Seneven in the biased and crooked own experience he is able to civilian courts of capitalism.

passed by Congress last year and put into effect May 31, 1951, was supposed to "reform" the courtmartial system. Actually, it makes very few changes in the more sweeping jurisdiction.

#### NEW DANGER

now, the new Uniform Code forces and persons accompanying them, but also everyone working

at any job whatever in a plant under contract to the armed This little - known provision

daily duties with such "Articles" as this one hanging over their state lines for immoral purposes, this code who uses provoking or reproachful words or gestures towards any other person subject to this code shall be punished as a court martial may direct." This is the Article under which the entire military establishment was recently prohibited from discussing the MacArthur controversy.

An article entitled "Drumsystem of the armed forces. The "justice." Things happen every as president, during 1947, of the forces that would be impossible tence Review Board. From his describe the "justice" of military The new Uniform Code of courts, whose findings are almost Military Justice, which was always tailored to fit the "requests" of the superior officer

court-martial. A young boy who drove a jeep

companying the armed forces, "defense attorney." That is the office of the Judge Advocate such as correspondents, etc. But way most cases are tried in a General preferred to uphold the provides that, in the event of war, merely a formal way to put into not only members of the armed effect a decision that has been made before the 'trial" opened.

#### ONE MAN CONTROL

forces, will be subject to military higher officer is policeman, juror, in over half of the more than prosecutor, judge and also presides over the first appeal court. World War II. The Army mercy means that probably the ma- Thus courts - martial which are board uncovered more thousands ority of the country will go about conducted in secret will generally of such cases. These were only bring in the verdict of guilty the rarer cases where soldiers even when there is a strong found it possible to break through heads: "Any person subject to presumption of innocence, or, in the restrictions and get their many cases, even where there is cases reviewed. Moreover, the a certainty of innocence.

That is so because the object the guilt or innocence of the acabsolute obedience must be exacted whether the officer's compunishment for the purpose of "setting an example" has come to be primary, and guilt or innocence

#### TORTURE DEFENDANTS

Thus after two women of Oahu, Hawaii, of shady reputation, complained of "rape," orders went down to "make examples." A Force captain with a shining reign of terror was instituted in World War II record, who was the Marine stockade at Aiea that, assigned to defend an enlisted who orders and arranges the Mr. Keeffe says, was worse than man accused of desertion. He bethe notorious hellhole at Litchfield, England. About 60 arrests been no intent to desert, and, off a naval base and smacked it were made, and absolute proof being an honorable man as Articles of War which John up, is sentenced to four years was later obtained of the use of distinct from the vast majority Adams copied almost verbatim at hard labor because a bottle of the most extreme torture to of Army officers (West Point from the harsh British military beer was found in his pocket. extort confessions. Beatings, burn- ballyhoo to the contrary notwithcodes of 1749 and 1774, chang- The damage to the jeep was not ing faces with lighted cigarettes, standing) he put up a stubborr ing only the word "King" to at all serious, but the command- etc., were among the methods "Congress." But one thing it does ing admiral had been sore, and employed. Five clearly extorted

#### INJUSTICE RAMPANT

The Navy General Court-Martial Review Board found Mr. Keeffe reports that the flagrant miscarriages of justice 2,000 cases brought before it after boards were so limited in both facilities and time that only a few of the trial is the preservation of of the cases of injustice could be the "authority" of the superior reviewed. And even in those cases officer and has nothing to do with where the injustice could be reversed, the soldier had already cused. It is a notorious rule of passed through years of imprisonarmed forces "discipline" that ment with no recourse, no compensation for wrecked lives.

In most courts - martial cases mands are right or wrong. This the best available talent is aptradition has permeated the pointed to prosecute, while system of military law, where defense counsel is generally an inexperienced and frightened shavetail. (Records of World War I courts-martial shows that defense counsel were second-lieutenants in almost 80 percent of the cases.)

#### AIR FORCE CAPTAIN

Keeffe cites the case of an Air came convinced that there had defense.

came extended to persons ac-martial, including even the plainly been done. However, the told the court how to find. After armed forces.

### KREMLIN'S ROLE That capitalism has been able to survive at all in Europe is due Unable any longer to run the not so much to Washington's in-

prising of a number of insolvent

debtors who survive only thanks

And that is why the whole world is again being poisoned with the fumes of reaction and document, The Death Agony of totalitarian war, of which the fountain - head is the American

The record "peace-time" arms countries is overcast by the program at home and abroad can threat of world war. Already the have no other end-result than imminent catastrophe sends war. Only scoundrels or fools are

And in order to unleash this ists are beaten back by labor, witch-hunt and the assault on military court. The "trial" is court-martial, as is usual in such the eve of World War II. And for farmers everywhere are sub-

Even at the height of its

Leon Trotsky was a renowned To these words, written in the theoretician of Marxism, world

Stalin's main political motive

To Stalin personally and to the porary stability, and that is privileged bureaucracy he leads Imperial America. Capitalist and represents nothing could be more dangerous than the ideas which Trotsky stood for - the

The first has received wide publicity with its incredible claim that every man, woman and child in the U.S. "averaged" last year an income of \$1,436, or over \$5,700 for a family of four. The second item was generally buried by the press. It reported that federal tax collections last year averaged \$248 for every man, woman and child in this country, or a shade under \$1,000 for a family of four.

The first set of figures is an outright fraud. The second set mirrors a grim reality and bears ominous tidings to the mass of the American

The fraud of the Commerce Department claim is self-evident. The statisticians here simply took the round figure of 217 billion dollars, the estimated "personal income" for 1950, and divided it by the total population, as if the annual wealth of this country were equally divided among all

The truth, of course, is just the opposite. The top one-tenth of the population grabs the lion's share of the national income. According to the last Census figures, this richest one-tenth takes one-third of the total annual money income. as against the lowest tenth that gets 1 percent, the next tenth that gets 5 percent, the third tenth that gets 10 percent, and so on.

Ironically enough, the Commerce Department's fake claim was released just at the moment when Congress has before it a warning from nine top national welfare agencies to the effect that onefourth of the nation's families are now living on the verge of disaster, ill-fed, ill-housed and illclothed, on gross incomes of less than \$2,000 a year. (The actual figure is much higher, with not less than one-third of the nation's ramines living at below subsistence levels.)

Wnile these shocking disproportions exist in the annual distribution of wealth, the capitalists and their political representatives see to it that the burden of taxation is divided far more "equitably." It is those with the lowest incomes who pay through the nose. The "average" tax load is therefore a figure of utmost significance to the mass of the population, who pay the great bulk

Last year's \$1,000 tax load for a family of four was not at all an imaginary figure even for those families who were unable to pay. For those unable to pay these exorbitant taxes, it has meant a drastic reduction of living standards. At the same time, the more families were unable to pay, all the greater proportionately became the tax load on the others.

Last year's tax load was roughly double what it was eight years ago, that is in the midst of World War II. Less than half of it came in direct taxes; the larger part was in hidden or indirect federal taxation, extorted every day, each time the family buys the necessities.

The federal tax figure does not, naturally, include any of the local or state taxes, open and approval of top brass in Washhidden, which take another punishing slice out of ington are paying from four to an "average family's" dollar for food, clothes six times the value of hundreds

· For the poor, taxes are blood money in the full-sense of the term. They are being bled white through taxes, which, incidentally, are much high- full knowledge that they are er this year than they were last, and next year are bound to go still higher.

The people are not becoming better off, as the Department of Commerce fakers pretend; they are being pushed to the wall, for the benefit of the tiny minority of the rich, as the federal tax collections glaringly show.

### **Chrysler and Jim-Crow**

By David Lands

DETROIT, Aug. 20 - The Chrysler Corporation has started a cleverly designed propaganda campaign against the Negro people to frustrate the current drive for FEPC legislation. This takes the form of a news article in the July issue of its house organ, Chrysler Motors Magazine, consisting of an entire column headed "Warren Plant Guards Nab Three Gamblers Posing As Workers." The article includes pictures of the three men, all of whom are Negroes.

The corporation selected this case to present Negroes in as unfavorable a light as possible. Its aim is to increase and stir up anti-Negro prejudices. This magazine is mailed to the homes of

The article states in part, "The three, who 'just wanted to find a good pay day dice game,' all pleaded guilty the following day to a seldomused charge of entering without breaking.

"Dearborn Municipal Judge George T. Martin sentenced the gamblers to 30 days.

"All Chrysler people are requested by plant authorities to report to the plant protection office the presence of suspicious characters in the

The Chrysler Corporation is not interested in protecting its employees from being fleeced by big time gambling operators. There is no doubt that in the Chrysler plants supervision is as much involved in the profitable gambling rackets as in the other plants. The only aim of such a "news article" is to fan the flames of race hatred against the Negro minority, and thereby lay the groundwork for opposition to FEPC legislation. Racial prejudice doesn't just happen, it is the result of carefully planned activity by the employers.

The struggle for civil rights and FEPC requires a careful survey of what methods are effective. The right wing labor officialdom, led by Walter Reuther and their hypocritical political and church allies, advocate a timid compromise stand which has been their policy for years, and has produced no results. It consists of occasional pretty speeches and reliance on the promises of capitalist politicians seeking votes. They oppose any type of mass political movement designed to mobilize the Negro people in a consistent, stubborn and uncompromising struggle for their rights.

In Detroit, the supporters of a proposal for a referendum on FEPC legislation led by Ford Local 600, had adopted this course because the labor bureaucracy had refused to change their do-nothing policy. The right-wing conservative coalition opposes the referendum on the ground that it is "red-inspired" and will provoke the race haters. This group acknowledges that such actions as they have taken to date have been in answer to the referendum proposal.

Today, as the time for action on FEPC grows short, indications are that the City Council will refuse to act on the FEPC ordinance proposal such dirty deals — they are now before it. It is also public knowledge that probing. the Jim Crow enemies of FEPC plan court action to prevent a referendum on FEPC on the fall ballot. The time for action is now! If the buckpassing scoundrels in the City Hall refuse to act. the labor movement and the Negro people must press the demand that FEPC be placed on the ballot so that the people have the chance to

## THE MILITANT

# Tax Money

DETROIT-There are probably quite a few workers in the U.S. who are wondering just what happens to their income tax dollars, especially since new raises are being passed all the time. Recent investigations into the business affairs of the Detroit tank center supply a lot of the

Congressional agents have discovered evidence that officials at the tank center with the full of items purchased by the tank center. These exorbitant prices are paid by tank officials with making others rich on your taxes.

Instead of handling war contracts in a legitimate manner by accepting the lowest bids from manufacturers of parts and equipment these officials purchased through dealers and subcontractors. Each time another dealer bandled the contract the price jumped up and kept going up as more and more war profiteers stuck their fingers in the rich pie. Some contract holders have made such an immense profit on these items which they do not manufacture that they are building

So much dirty linen has been nearthed by federal investigators that it would take weeks of public hearings in order to Campaign of the Philadelphia throughout our land, in City Hall, acquaint the public with all the sordid details. One of the facts Friday night. Clyde Turner, The next open-air meeting of this hearing would undoubtedly ficials who are being investigated for accepting bribes in the form live audience at 28th and Girard of "loans" from companies dickering for war contracts.

Next time you look at your pay check and note what the government has taken out for income taxes you might think of the tank center scandal and be a little bitter. But just think of what the government is doing to stop

They are employing investigators and thus decreasing the unemployment problem. Of course, you're paying their salaries but they are probing. They've discharged the top official at the ist Workers Party." tank center - of course, he can retire on his army pension supplied by you - but he was removed from this post. A local contract has been cancelled that's progress - as long as you don't think of all the others that

## Gov't Corrupt On City, State,

The Special Senate Committee to Investigate Organized Crime, popularly known as the "Kefauver Committee" is no longer making the headlines. Its findings never-

especially in the coming elections. In its Third Interim Report the committee concluded as follows: "The most shocking revelations of the testimaly before the committee is the extent of official corruption and connivance in facilitating and promoting

evidence of corruption and connivance at ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT - FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL...

in State and local government is present in four different forms: "1. - Direct bribe or protection payments are made to law-en-

will not interfere with specific criminal activities. "2. - Political influence and pressure of important officials or

criminal activities or further the "3. - Law enforcement officials

are found in possession of unusual and unexplained wealth. "4. - Law-enforcement officials

ness of organized crime."

## Rotten Deals, UAW-CIO Leaders Force Anti-Union Graft, Eat Up Settlement Upon Hudson Strikers

Hatching a Tax Steal



Here are the members of the Senate Finance Committee, figuring out the best way to make the low income families bear the brunt of the costs of all-out war preparations. In center is Chairman Walter F. George.

## HELD; TURNER SPEAKS

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17 - majority of the American people, The third open air meeting in and to the establishment of a the 1951 Councilmanic Election Workers and Farmers government Socialist Workers Party was held Harrisburg, and Washington." S.W.P. candidate for City Council Joseph Ardito, tank center of with other spokesmen presented St. and Ridge Ave. the S.W.P. program to an atten-Ave.

In her opening remarks Mrs. Turner stressed the need for the unity of all races and groups, if the conspiracy of reaction against the American people is to be defeated. "The time to begin this fight is now," Mrs. Turner stated, "by deciding to vote against the two anti-labor Republican and Democratic Parties in the November elections. It is time to begin to vote for a party which is made up of working people, and dedicated to our fight for a better life. And that party is the Social-

Pointing out that both major parties promised peace, and have delivered only war and threat of more war, Mrs. Turner proclaimed the most important issue in this election to be the question of peace or war. "All other questions," she said, "are tied to this one today. Our standard of living, already cut into by the ever growing burden of taxes, will be ripped into shreds unless the drive toward all-out war is halted Despite promises of the leaders of both parties in Congress, we have yet to see one single piece of legislation defending our wage and living standards, and we will not see one, so long as these representatives of big business remain in power.

"In the name of this fight against so - called . Communist Totalitarianism, not only our living standards are being smashed, but an attack against the sacred rights guaranteed to the American people by our Constitution is taking place. The McCarran Bill, the Ober Law in Baltimore, and the Pechan Bill in the Legislature of our own state at the present time are a great threat to our civil liberties.

"Truman and his stooges on al levels of our national state and local government present a far greater danger to the American people than do the hungry Chinese peasants, struggling only for their own independence. These people must be replaced with representatives of the working class, dedicated to the struggle to protect the interests of the vast



CLYDE TURNER

for 2 months, 3,000 Hudson workers voted to accept the agreement submitted by UAW-CIO secretary-treasurer. Mazey, at a meeting Aug. 14.

The agreement "settled" none tion," If cars don't sell or workers resist any new company speed-up a new shutdown or

will be settled by the time study employed." negotiations — after the workers return to work. The only protection against future speed-up the past twenty days a complete lockagreement seems to contain is out was in effect. By this method that all other jobs, but the forty the Hudson Company was saving now in dispute, will not be re- \$50,000 a day by non-payment of timed for 90 days.

In return for these "concessions" the union put into during the period of short work writing legalized scabbing to days. The market is obviously break any future departmental glutted with Hudson cars. strikes. The agreement states that "the Company has the right tween departments and districts gency situations."

The lock-out against the Hudson workers began June 11 dreds of Hudson workers were after a two week lay off. When workers returned they found that the Company speeded up the job by cutting manpower on 40 operations. When the workers scheduled in this campaign is to refused to accept the company concern Selwyn Asquith and from the Fifth District, together be held Friday, Aug. 24, at 18th speed-up, the company sent them

For forty days the Hudson workers worked from one to three of the main issues involved in hours per day. The International

the lock-out. It provided that the of the UAW-CIO finally declared company "work 8 hours per day, that the company action was a 5 days per week as long as business and material conditions employed by Hudson to avoid and warrant such schedules." And circumvent the law on unemployfurther as long as "any acts on ment compensation is simply the part of the union don't this: to call workers in each day. prevent continuance of the opera- then send them home, falsely claiming that there was a labor dispute. The workers, paid hardly enough for carfare and lunch, are short work week will again result. then left in the supposed position The main question of speed-up of being neither employed or un-

With this declaration the union stopped the short days. For the unemployment compensation. The 35,000 car inventory increased

During the entire sixty days neither the International nor the to loan employees temporarily be- local union gave the workers any strike benefits. The only aid they to cover absenteeism and emer- received was one month's payment to the company on the members' insurance policy. Hunforced on the city welfare.

When Jenny Vicari, chief steward of the women's division, asked Mazey if an "emergency" meant strikes in one department, resulting from company provocation, Mazey replied that it did and that these wild-cat strikes at Hudsons will have to stop. In any case, this was the practice in the industry, he stated.

It appears that the International has become determined to break the resistance the auto workers have shown to the companies speed-up provocation. To our knowledge this is the first time that the union has agreed, in writing, to supply strikebreakers to break any strike the International deems unauthorized.

The handling of the Hudson lock-out demonstrates the complete lack of fighting program on the part of the International officials. This lock-out, the product of conversion to war work and the resultant economic dislocation could only have been defeated by nobilizing the Hudson workers and the UAW as a whole.

Mass pressure designed to show how Hudson and other companies are taking advantage of the reconversion dislocation to weaken the union and worsen working conditions is the only weapon which can stop the greedy corporations. The Ford local 600 program demanding \$60 per week unemployment compensation, during any week of unemployment and the calling of a national delegated conference to organize the fight against speed-up are a part of a general program needed to bring the company offensive to a halt.

## Chicago Picnic

CHICAGO, Aug. 23 - Over 120 members and friends of the So-

Highlight of the program was softball game between the North-siders and the Southawarded the trophy - a suitably nscribed watermelon.

In a political talk to the picnickers Comrade Frank Roberts Henry Luce's "American Century." "The anti-Negro riots in claiming to export it abroad at

Speaking of the recent wave of price rises Roberts said, "Truman can't call this inof the Negro mass against second-class citizenship and the political flationary process a mere police our standard of living."

A program of three-legged races, sack races, and an egg throwing contest kept both young

beach, and sang folk songs to the strains of a guitar.

#### Five Pyramids

By Fred Hart

For anyone brave enough to ascend into these astronomical heights, we publish herewith the over-all picture of war costs per year as they look right now: \$56 billion Arms bill of the three branches of

the armed forces. \$4.5 billion Estimated annual cost of the Korean

\$5.7 billion Military construction.

\$7.8 billion Arms for U.S. puppets abroad. This brings to a total of \$74 billion the bill that is being paid for war by the American people every year.

Time magazine calculates cleverly that this is equal, in human labor time, to the man-hours required to build five Great Pyramids of Cheops. and reports further that it took 100,000 men twenty years to build one such pyramid.

However, Time's calculations are based upon a 12 hour day, seven day week, and upon an average wage in the U.S. at the present time of \$1.75 per hour. In order to get more realistic results, we have re-calculated this problem, assuming an average hourly rate of \$1.50, and basing ourselves upon the 40 hour week, which Time has rather hastily dropped in favor of the 84 hour week. Upon this basis, our pencil tells us that the present arms expenditure of the U.S. equals the labor of more than 241/2 million men and women every year.

This is four times what is devoted each year to housing, 14 times what is spent for transportation, and eight times as much as is spent on

medical care annually. It is ten times the amount spent every year on education.

Even the total annual food bill of the U.S. is a good deal (\$7 billion) lower than the present war

The \$74 billion total means that we are beginning to creep closer, says Time, to the peak expenditure of the war years. The U.S. spent \$90 penditure of the war years. The U.S. spent \$90 billion in 1945 on warfare. But that was an intensive effort for a limited war period. The present war spending is apparently intended to go on indefinitely, even if there is no war, and perhaps even to increase.

What makes war come so high, even in peacetime? First of all, the war budget must provide. not only the weapons, but also, the profits of war,

by the billion.

Second of all, "defense" comes high when it is carried on five and six thousand miles away from home shores. Bombers must be built that can bomb any part of the globe and return without refueling. Submarines must be built with atomic energy engines that give them unlimited cruising range. A Navy must be built and maintained that can control every ocean, every sea, all over the world, at the same time, U.S. imperialism must maintain military bases everywhere. And its wars must be fought five thousand miles away from home.

Every American must ask this question: Is this \$74 billion, which represents \$480 per man, woman or child in the U.S. being used in the interests of the men, women and children who have to pay or is it being used in the interest of a tiny imperialist minority?

## Short Subjects

The American Federation of Radio Artists convention in Milwaukee adopted one of the most reactionary witch-hunt provisions to be found in any union constitution. Anyone named by the FBI. State Department or Justice Department as a subversive will automatically be expelled from the union. That means they cannot work in the industry. The provision is retroactive to Dec. 31,

When a boss died in Youngstown, the workers in the plant passed around this story: As the four pallbearers carried the coffin the boss sat up and shouted angrily, "Two of you fellers go do something else; two men is enough on this job."

After a major at Fort Leonard Wood informed new draftees: "I'm here to make killers of you;

I want to make you the worst killers possible." Private Robert M. Wingo, 22, declared himself a conscientious objector. He was sentenced to a year at hard labor.

Iranian-British oil talks have collapsed. British negotiator Richard Stokes announced he would go back to England, and U.S. representative Harriman is also on his way back home. Harriman pressured the Iran government to accept British terms. His proposal would have forced the Iranians to agree to continued British management of the oil fields.

Reports state that the Iranian Premier refused to have Iran workers under a British boss.

"But you can have only one boss," Stokes said. "That's tough," said the Iranian leader.

theless are well worth recalling,

crime. . . . The committee found

"The evidence of corruption and connivance with organized crime

forcement officials, so that they

political leaders is used to protect interests of criminal gangs.

participate directly in the busi-

The committee itself has sought to minimize its findings as relating "only to a small but disturbing minority" of public officials. But they were unable to deny the extent. It is all-pervasive, involving "all levels of govern-

- The Negro Struggle -

## More Candidates This Year

By Jean Blake

You wouldn't know it from reading the white capitalist press, but in recent years there has been a significant increase in the number of independent Negro candidates running for local office in communities throughout the country, and it looks as though this may be a banner year in that respect.

In Ohio alone there are Negro candidates for city council, board of education, or municipal Judge in Cleveland, Akron, Youngstown and other cities, and in the state capitol of Columbus there has been a Negro candidate for the mayoralty.

In the spring of this year The Militant mentioned the election of six Negro councilmen in a number of Southern cities, and last week we read in the Boston Chronicle of the successful conclusion of a 21-months legal struggle to seat Councilman Laurence H.

While still organized on a local plane, these independent candidacies represent a growing nation-wide movement for Negro representation.

As our readers may recall, Socialist Workers Party branches in a number of communities have given critical support to independent Negro candidates in the past - participated in their campaigns, advocated support by the labor movement, done Jimmy Higgins work of leaflet distributing and electioneering, and helped get out the vote for them.

To understand why we have supported these candidates who were not socialists, and what "critical support" means, it is necessary to understand what their candidacies represent.

First of all, an independent Negro candidate is not just any Negro who happens to run for office. He is not an independent candidate if he is just a stooge for the dominant Democratic or Republican party machines, under their control and sponsored by them in the attempt to behead the genuine Negro struggle f representation in government.

Nor is any opportunist with personal political ambitions who throws his hat in the ring in over to sell out the Negro struggle for a price, a representative of the Negro people. He just represents An independent Negro candidate is one who represents the cialist Workers Party enjoyed a

interests of the Negro people, is sponsored and supported by them day of sports, eating and swimto oppose Jim Crow in every sphere and to utilize his political ming at the Chicago branch Anposition for that purpose - against the policies of the Democratic nual Picnic last Sunday. and Republican politicians.

#### AGAINST SECOND-CLASS CITIZENSHIP

The election programs of independent Negro candidates vary siders. The Northsiders were from city to city and from time to time, depending on local conditions, but they have certain general features in common:

1. Housing. Capitalist private housing has proved a complete failure for providing decent homes and eliminating overcrowded slums. All genuine Negro candidates fight for low-cost public hous- referred to the Cicero riot and ing for all workers without discrimination, and against discrimination and rent-gouging by private landlords.

2. Jobs. Independent Negro candidates demand fair employ- Cicero are a product of the ment practices in all government agencies, in private industry, and American Century of Henry in trade unions. They fight for strong FEPC legislation and enforce- Luce," Roberts declared. "Alment of it. In fighting against the poverty of the Negro mass, they though American imperialism support all attempts of working men and women to improve their couldn't maintain democracy for standard of living through labor organization, and struggles against Henry Clark in Chicago, it is capitalist profiteers.

3. Civil rights. These candidates stand for complete equality gun point." for all in the enjoyment of civil rights, against discrimination, and against the notorious brutality of local police.

forces that maintain it, and a determination to use their independent action. It's all-out war against strength to get rid of Jim Crow. The Socialist Workers Party supports such independent political action because it represents the proper direction toward a solution of the special problems of the Negro people — toward a break with

In short, independent Negro candidates represent the protest

the capitalist parties and self-reliance by the masses. The "critical" aspect of our support means that we think the demands and program are too limited to achieve their goal, and roasted marshmallows and hot believe we must tell the truth about them. Only a revolutionary dogs around a campfire on the change, that is, a fundamental change that eliminates the basic cause — capitalism — can really abolish Jim Crow.

and old busy. After sunset the picnickers