The Conference

The Geneva Conference, which was brought about by the insistent demand of the world peoples, represents an historic victory and was signed in the past - war peace struggle of the world. This is because the overwhelming mass of the world is shocked at the cold war which the United States, the USSR, and Britain are setting up, and the continuing danger of nuclear armament is looking to the conference to put an end to this nightmare situation, taking steps to end the cold war and to establish real peace in the world.

This should be the basis for the peace of the modern world, and it is also a basis for the peace of the future world. Even during the most threatening crises of the past several years, the world peace forces, with the Communists in 1st line and the Western nations making up the second line of defense, have maintained that the theory of the inadmissibility of a third world war, which is now acknowledged by the imperialist class, is a lie and a delusion. From the outset one lesson of the peace talks has been the basis that the communists had to the power to end not only the current acute war but the whole cold war.

The basic line has been one of the peaceful coexistence of all nations.

In this conclusion the peace-loving nations, all the war-nations to the contrary notwithstanding, have remained historically correct.

The cold war, and with it the cold peace talks, can only be ended if the peoples will insist upon a real peace.

This does not mean, however, that they should completely halt the world war drive, for their task is not to end the war but to end the cold war.

But it is American interests that are being bitterly adhered to by a stupid adherence to the renewalization of West Germany. It is American security, and of course French and German security, that will be enhanced if a united Germany becomes part of an all-European security arrangement.

We don't presume to detail such an arrangement. But that's what the Geneva negotiations are for. And their success depends on give and take from both sides. There can be no ultimatums. There must be intermediary steps to ease tensions, and steps to settle this German question.

The U.S. moves are to the left - to the interests - which means in the interests of peace and security for all.

This would shun the Dulles policy which produces hostile military blocs facing each other across a divided Germany.

OUTRAGE AGAINST FREEDOM

We have a mental picture of Cédric Belfrage, the quiet but stubborn editor sitting in a detention cell smoking his pipe and calmly receiving news of the U.S. Court of Appeals decision.

But many friends and sympathizers and all the persons who object to persecution of a man for his opinions, should let Attorney General Brownell know they are unwilling to have Cedric Belfrage sit it out while his attorneys prepare an appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

He should be freed on bond, now, at once.

In upholding his deportation order, the Court of Appeals said bail was "academic," thus highlighting the vicious treatment of Belfrage.

The decision of Immigration Judge Joseph M. Swing on July 1 said Belfrage was in jail because he was an "agitator." He was in prison, said Swing, because his "political beliefs are allied to a world-wide conspiracy to destroy the capitalist system."

The judge charged that Belfrage's political beliefs were aired each week in the National Guardian. It would therefore seem that Commissioner Swing and the government are concerned more with silencing the voice of the Federal Communications Protection Act.

The National Guardian and a free press cannot be killed this way. Such persecution of its editor must cause even more far-reaching resentment and support.

The Steel and Auto Peace; What They Mean (3)

Notwithstanding the new peace, there has been widespread dissatisfaction with the new agreement demonstrated among both workers in the iron and steel industries, as well as among defense workers. More vigorous efforts and greater reliance on the UAW's strength could have resulted in more concessions. There was no need to trade some heavy demands for the Ford layoff pay. But after all is said and done, the fact remains that the settlement does come close to what we asked for, in a condition. In addition to the layoff pay, the significant pension and welfare gain cannot be altered at all in the future. But even the money part of the pact is higher than most union settlements had been for a long time.

So we have already gained a lot. The effect of the auto pact was to prop the wage rises higher in the steel, and the steel settlement is the first example to prove it truly.

A WHOLE CHAIN of wage stags in the iron and steel industries followed the that of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers in copper, and we have been informed ULP. Also overlaid by the extreme crit- 

ica of the auto agreement are the many changes in it -small changes in many of the provisions affecting routine working conditions, the changes in working rules on shifts. They are important to the workers and have often been the cause of sharp disputes and "wildcats." It was the extremely negative view of the auto settlement that also influenced the claim that the liquidation of bonds and GM following the signing of the peace pact were aimed primarily at the nation's economy, specially the bond, to push the auto top in the guise of "lowering the price risk."

The fact that every UAW local the "no-contract, no-work" rule was registered in Congress and the UAW had a strong deadline prudent. At the same time, the most dangerous illusion is the belief among auto workers that a new arena every day, that Eisenhower is going to the people of America as a general election.

The main danger at the Geneva Conference will come from American interventionism. The U.S. must definitely feel that its predatory interests are at stake in the new world of atomic and big war. This means that Belfrage is not an alternative to the two powers; he is a fundamental element.

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