Compulsory Arbitration
Bill Shackles Labor

Even the labor leaders are united in opposition to President Truman's latest bill of slavocracy — the proposal for "fast-fixing" bodies to arbitrate. Morris Lewis, Green and Murray correctly interpret this proposal as the handwriting on the wall for the.Democrats' new, more brutal form of compulsory arbitration, which would enslave all unions by depriving them of any independent action. The staff is so keen that even these old tool capitalists cannot stand it.

Truman's plan is deliberately "sold". He is like a con artist or a salesman who is merely trying to get his foot in the door. He first proposes that there be a compulsory act, period. It is only a year or so ago that he told the suitors committee that "as sure as I'm standing here tonight the Little Steel formula will be respected." It is only a year or so ago that he was telling all and anyone about the virtues of PAC in elevating a "liberal" administration and Congress. But here we are just a few short months and a jump later and the STEEL ACT, which is simply a whole lot more for all the supposed purposes and the gentry of the British Navy, would hardly be convinced that the war is "over." The people of French Indo-China, the Annamites, the people of Malaya, the people of Indonesia, the people of the Middle East, the people of Palestine — all fighting against the vicious tentacles of imperialism which make the people believe that military operations are over.

Dozens are dead in so-called "peace" in Calcutta and Bombay where British imperialism is trying to strangle the "nationalist" army of India. Many of these dead are in Palestine where Britain continues its policy of setting Arab against Jew and vice-versa.

The answer is really very simple. The raison d'etre of economic and imperialist war is as meaningless as the, so-called "peace" in the British Army, and British imperialism. As a matter of fact the nationalist war was possible, which existed before the MANDAT war was temporarily squeezed into the modern form. This form, that is, the nationalist war, is financed by the war, and Imperialist war finds the imperialists desirable customers. The mass of Socialists behind "international" upper-class has not been the mass of Socialists who are behind the nationalist war.

The masses are fighting back. The war destroyed their cities, imposed military conscription on millions of their loved ones, starved them. They were promised "freedom" and "economic democracy" in the old form. This new form of imperialist war finds the imperialists desirable customers. The mass of Socialists behind "international" upper-class has not been the mass of Socialists who are behind the nationalist war.

One mass is investing billions in the Yangtze Valley in China and in the British Army, and in the United Nations. The other mass is investing billions in the Chinese Nationalists, the British ruling class, the Japs and the Birmans. The latter mass is always ready to kill the masses, by leading the counter-revolution.

The class war is in the air in China because the old mass movement is under the most perilous influence in all history with the exception of the mass movement of the American workers, sailors and marines, in the Japs, as the Japs and the Birmans, and the British are in the process of shooting down the masses, by leading the capitalist-revolution in China.

The same is true in Japan, in Pales in, in India, in China and in all the rest of the Asiatic countries. The same story. The masses want bread, land, peace. The imperialists — Britain, Holland, the United States — want rubber, tin, and financial investments. A class battle is inevitable and decisive.

Nationalist Revolt

To many of us in the United States these revolutions in Asia are not very salient. Actually, the nationalist revolutions of the colonial antagonists of the capitalist class are not resolved except through proleleut revolution. The colonial people are in the midst of a prolonged battle, which has begun in the Philippines, and which is now spreading to the whole of Latin America. The revolution in China is a typical, if not the prototype, of the world-wide socialist revolution. In fact, the struggle against Western imperialism in China is the socialist revolution in Asia. The Chinese revolution is the struggle of the Chinese working class, the urban proletariat, the peasantry and the student movement against the imperialist government of the Nationalists. It is not a "nationalist" revolt. Actually, the nationalist revolutions of the colonial antagonists of the capitalist class are not resolved except through proletarian revolution. The colonial people are in the midst of a prolonged battle, which has begun in the Philippines, and which is now spreading to the whole of Latin America. The revolution in China is a typical, if not the prototype, of the world-wide socialist revolution. In fact, the struggle against Western imperialism in China is the socialist revolution in Asia. The Chinese revolution is the struggle of the Chinese working class, the urban proletariat, the peasantry and the student movement against the imperialist government of the Nationalists. It is not a "nationalist" revolt. Actually, the nationalist revolutions of the colonial antagonists of the capitalist class are not resolved except through proletarian revolution. The colonial people are in the midst of a prolonged battle, which has begun in the Philippines, and which is now spreading to the whole of Latin America. The revolution in China is a typical, if not the prototype, of the world-wide socialist revolution. In fact, the struggle against Western imperialism in China is the socialist revolution in Asia. The Chinese revolution is the struggle of the Chinese working class, the urban proletariat, the peasantry and the student movement against the imperialist government of the Nationalists. It is not a "nationalist" revolt. Actually, the nationalist revolutions of the colonial antagonists of the capitalist class are not resolved except through proletarian revolution. The colonial people are in the midst of a prolonged battle, which has begun in the Philippines, and which is now spreading to the whole of Latin America. The revolution in China is a typical, if not the prototype, of the world-wide socialist revolution. In fact, the struggle against Western imperialism in China is the socialist revolution in Asia. The Chinese revolution is the struggle of the Chinese working class, the urban proletariat, the peasantry and the student movement against the imperialist government of the Nationalists. It is not a "nationalist" revolt. Actually, the nationalist revolutions of the colonial antagonists of the capitalist class are not resolved except through proletarian revolution. The colonial people are in the midst of a prolonged battle, which has begun in the Philippines, and which is now spreading to the whole of Latin America. The revolution in China is a typical, if not the prototype, of the world-wide socialist revolution. In fact, the struggle against Western imperialism in China is the socialist revolution in Asia. The Chinese revolution is the struggle of the Chinese working class, the urban proletariat, the peasantry and the student movement against the imperialist government of the Nationalists. It is not a "nationalist" revolt. Actually, the nationalist revolutions of the colonial antagonists of the capitalist class are not resolved except through proletarian revolution. The colonial people are in the midst of a prolonged battle, which has begun in the Philippines, and which is now spreading to the whole of Latin America. The revolution in China is a typical, if not the prototype, of the world-wide socialist revolution.

The struggles in China, Europe, Asia, and the rest of the world are all tied up with each other. This is the reason why we are engaged in the struggle against imperialism, against the "nationalist" revolt and against the capitalist-revolution.
Behind the Atom Bombasts

Under the shadow of the atomic umbrella many strange fungi have begun to grow. Some of these ranging from Professor Albert Einstein's pacifist creed to the 7,000 flashes of the first test in the New Mexico desert, Congressmen, the N.A.M.E., educators, scientists and professors, writers, threatening artists, poets, and the piblo got public attention. Out of the welter of words two clearly defined positions appeared:

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The one given primary publicity is that it is dangerous if anyone but the United States possesses an atomic bomb. The other is that their friends have any knowledge of the secrets of atomic energy. This second position is brought about by the unprecedented openness of the atomic age. It is not only the military, and the industrialists themselves. Using the danger of a devastating war of destruction for the cloak of secrecy to be imposed, they blandly proceed to announce plans for prohibiting any and all knowledge of atomic energy. They demand more A-Bomb production by the U.S. Simultaneously they condemn all government funds to continue and develop the economic warfare of atomic energy in the industrial field. It is this latter point which demands the most thoroughgoing examination in the hypocrisies of words of the motivation for atomic secrecy.

The plain fact is that application of the atomic bomb implies a change of control of atomic energy will not make the modern secret of American pursuit.

The economic influence and the military aura that is the right to control the atom for the military and to its: insidiously poisons.

The only country now which can really utilize atomic energy to its advantage is the Soviet Union, just as it was the Soviet Union, warped though it was, that made the first bomb. It still dominates the order of the day. Deliberate plans are in progress in the Soviet Union, with atomic energy (and a program oriented toward Socialism) to develop atomic productive power.

This is the REAL DANGERS of atomic power to present day society. Like all exploitations it can be used militarily for destruction, industry for construction, where there are no restrictions imposed by the enslaved mankind.

In England one inventor claims that he has found the running an unobstructable atomic energy. At a symposium before the European Association for the Advancement of Science, he said that in less than ten years, and with the use of atomic power plants, coal ashing at $15 a ton would be eliminated. The use of atomic energy for the production of electricity, &c., is possible.

What to put them into effect the system of production for profit: must be ended. One need only understand the basic reason why wars are fought and why it is necessary to organize producer cooperatives for production for peace.
Dec. 12, 1945.
The proposed 4.4 billion dollar loan to Great Britain underscores the great victory American Imperialism has won in this war. However, it is not any net profit the United States has become the banker of the world. And what is more she is expecting a price for the privilege of bestowing money on this former imperialist which makes the bankers of yesterday pale by comparison.

Britain is in an economic crisis. She needs the loans to stabilize her economy for the next few years. But what she will give up, will reduce her to a second rate power. Up to now she was one of the few countries in the U.S. relatively outside the markets of the British Empire by the device of the sterilizing block system. Any of the colonies in the British Empire that sold goods to the United States and received dollars for them could not in turn purchase American supplies. Those dollars had to be held in London to pay for gold stockings. In other words the colonies were almost forced to buy English goods, rather than American.

The agreement covering the 4.4 billion dollar loan alleviates all this. London will not only no longer be the banking center of the world; it will not even be the banking center of the British Empire. Six years of war has exhausted Great Britain to the point where she is merely a humble beggar in the world arenas; as humble that she gives up her greatest weapon against the United States.

The agreement has other great benefits to the U.S. including a proposal that Britain will ratify the Brenton Woods agreement, which already strengthens America's hold as the banker of the world.

Inside the United States there is some opposition to the loan to Britain. It is being considered in Congress. Various capitalist groups in the States would prefer that Britain go down in history as the ship which was sunk by the skilful decreed by the Truman administration. Even from the capitalist point of view, however, that would be shortsighted. Abolishment of the Alliance, would have the effect of a fuse to a bomb in the revolutionary crisis on the European continent.

The argument of the opposition is that for a few years away the home market in the U.S. will be great enough to absorb any surplus foreign trade which will be in great need in the next few years. But such a view is obviously short sighted. Uncle Sam has the greatest potential surplus of goods and capital in all history. Within a few years we shall feel the impact of the post-war period. The future period that the Truman government is planning for — a period of British Empire may postpone the crisis for a little bit longer.

The loan to Britain indicates that the war between the imperialists is not over. It is one of the final stages of the economic and political triumph of U.S. Monopoly Capitalism for world domination. Since the last war, when the U.S. emerged as the leading capitalistic power, it has tried to conquer and subjugate on economic front every country world over. American capital against the British Empire must inevitably create counter-organizations, because no foreign power can long remain on anti-American blue. It will create cleavages and crises which will lead to a new and stronger revolutionary organization in British politics — to the right and to the left.

The press reports that there was no enthusiasm in Britain upon announcement of the proposed loan.

Obviously. The loan is merely the handwriting on the wall for the British Empire.

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Unity and Disunity in S.W.P.

A split is brewing in the Trotskyist ranks. Cannon is on the verge of waging a full scale economic and political feud against Trotsky, against the International, and against the Socialist Workers Party. Cannon is again attempting to muscle his way in again, and in his drive to join the Socialists, of having secret meetings with Norman Thomas and others, and of attacking the New Left from the right.

Goldman and Schachtman were right. Goldman and Schachtman are a revolting and a petty bourgeoisie. It was OK to unite with Thomas, what's wrong with uniting with Schachtman? Goldman is certainly consistent.

As a matter of fact Albert Goldman has always been the constant opponent Trotskyite centrist in the S.W.P. In 1925-26 when Trotsky laid down the proposition that "the face of the revolution is now under the presidency of the bourgeoisie state" the "French Trend" — and then ordered the French Trotskyites to split from the party. In 1930 when the period Goldman jumped the gun and immediately joined the American Trotskyites. At that time Cannon called Goldman a "splitter-breaker" and denounced most vociferously that he and Goldman had any such intentions. When we were in the left wing of the Workers Party we aimed at drawing them into the Socialists, of having secret meetings with Norman Thomas and others, of attacking the New Left from the right.

We pointed out that their position could only lead to a political and organizational liquidation of the Marxist Party.

The R.W.L has no sympathy for Goldman or Schachtman.

The R.W.L has repeatedly turned down "unofficial" requests to join the Socialist Workers Party and this is why we are encouraging an open discussion of Schachtman's remarks (and others in their ranks) that they were mere bankrupt "Odiecrats" than with the "Schachtmanites." We want no part of Trotskyism. We consider it as dangerous to the working class as Lenin considered Kautsky. We will participate in united fronts with the Trotsky comrades and in other joint activity. We will continue to expose their illusions and consider them an organization of the working class. But they are not the root. As an organization they can only be defeated by the united efforts of the revolutionary proletariat to reaffirm its own position. This is the only way to give substance to the statements we have stated about the downward path of American (and world-wide) Trotskyism. Genuine revolutionists in their ranks will split from the centrist and join with the Marxist in the Revolutionary Workers League.

Goldman and Schachtman are Trotskyite centrist to the core — only more consistent and more upright about the whole thing. Cannon refuses to take Schachtman back because he thinks that, left alone, Max and his group will disintegrate, and because Cannon is now armed with a financial angel and is growing. Goldman and Morgan take their Trotskyite principles more literally. If it is OK to support American imperialism as a counter weight to European, it is OK in July with Norman Thomas and even support him for President, if he is OK to call for a national bourgeois labor party, then it is certainly correct to take Schachtman back.

In Britain the Trotskyites united with a small Schachtman wing only a year ago. Goldman is asking Cannon to be consistent.

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imum wage laws, employment laws,
workmen’s compensation, old-age
savings bills, veterans’ aid, and even
rural credit. The real issue, never-
denied, is to declare the war over so
the boys would know when the stated “end of the war” would be reached.
No, there is no time for any such
thing. The boys don’t have any time to
force to come here, failing to get all the
workers back here to Uncle Sam’s door
at home. I guess nobody by himselt
has anything to offer to the boys.
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about working under a Workers
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LETTER FROM A SOLDIER

Laury.
Nov. 18, 1946
Hi.
My crime is the same as all
the other Japs that didn’t come
to terms or didn’t compromise,
resenting, but not having it in my
breast to stay away from the
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Elections in Europe

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the problems of intervention, in-
flation and unemployment, the Japs
have tied the working class, tempo-
rary and permanent, into their capitalist systems, as evidenced by the recent elections, in
declining and unemployment. The
bourgeoisie in Japan, it is true, has
the national government in its hands,
which in their eyes can find no
other way out. The Japanese minor-
ity of the workers have been burdened with since 1934. On the hand of
these factors.

Cecil B. De Mille of movie production fame has made a speech against labor in a letter to the Daily Worker. He asks the government to help him fight the strike.

Some of the capitalists or their government can think that a small group of men (meaning labor leaders) could tell an army if they got a dollar to do so. If you had
hostages in theicio.

De Mille ought to ask all 20,000
soldiers of General Motors who
are on strike 2,000,000 men at whatever wages he sees fit.

But Wilson can take care of himself. He raised his own salary from $20,000 to $30,000 in 1927. He has been well paid.

Two other G.M. vice-presidents — O. E. Hunt and Albert Bradley — are getting from $200,000 to $205,000 and $217,000 from G.M., respectively.

We workers have tractors in our ranks like John L. Lewis. His opportunity is better. Let’s try to be fighters, labor for the victory. I favor the free and free market.

The Socialist Labor Party has
only 400 members and 1000 points
in the year. Why don’t we join these
government that we want, so why is the US military butted in over to China. I don’t think you could really tell me, I don’t know too much about world politics, but I do know that the British didn’t want a left wing movement in Japa.

The Jap is a dangerous people and can be used for the good of the world.

I am not against any country’s doing this, but the British and the French are doing this.

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