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yesterday in their sched-

uled week-long 10th Na-

Dispensing with the usual prac-

tice at most union conventions,

including the CIO, of wasting

the delegates' time with numer-

ous wind-bag guest speakers and

elaborate ceremonies, the con-

vention got down to business

fore the first recess it had acted

a big "Organize the Unorganized"

However, many of the key is-

sues that developed out of the

great strike wave, which was

spearheaded by the General Mo-

the convention floor. These in-

pany security," government "fact-finding" boards and the

launching of an independent la-

Much of the interest and at-

tention of the delegates is be-

ing centered on the struggle for

the presidency of the union, be-

tween Walter Reuther, UAW

vice-president and GM strike

leader, and UAW President R.

J. Thomas. This issue will come

to a head Wednesday, when the

election of officers is scheduled.

This afternoon saw the first

real outbursts of debate and con-

troversy on vital questions.

campaign.

bor party.

**KEY ISSUES** 

tional Convention.

# UAW DELEGATES FACE KEY ISSUES

# **Administration Urges Congress To Extend Draft**

Taking advantage of the war fever it has been provoking, the administration last week bore down hard on Congress to continue the draft indefinitely. The present Selective Service Act is scheduled to expire on May 15. Presi-

dent Truman has been de-D manding its extension as the session of the House Military Affirst major legislative step in fairs Committee that "a contin-Wall Street's renewed mili- uance of Selective Service" is tary preparations for world of 1,070,000 as of July 1, 1947. domination. The "continuance" was indicated

In view of the forthcoming to be something like six months. elections and the tremendous To buttress their demand, Secpopular opposition to further retary of State Byrnes told the forced military service after V-J same House committee a story Day, Congress was inclined to which was kept "secret as to delet the Conscription Act die. tail," but which was character-Through its current anti-Soviet ized by committee members as campaign the administration has "confirmation of what the world sought, among other things, to situation is, as the press has told

us."

Six days later, Major General

Hershey, Director of Selective

Service, went the whole hog, sug-

gesting to Congress "extension

of the draft for an indefinite

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Washington.

among the speakers.

SPECIAL TO THE MILITANT

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period." This is a fancy way of reverse this trend and keep the saying permanent establishment youth of the nation at the mercy of the draft. of the Brass Hats. HERSHEY'S FORMULA

#### **GROW BOLDER**

Growing bolder and more ar- inite" extension of the draft now rogant as the war-mongering replaces the campaign for peacemounts, the Brass Hats are al- time universal military training ready well along the road to se- which, begun even before the war curing a prolonged conscription was over, proved so unpopular system which further Prussian- that its highly-placed sponsors have temporarily shelved it. izes the American people.

The American Legion prompt-Within a single week they moved from asking Congress for ly joined Hershey in sponsoring a short-term extension of the this move, justifying it by "the draft period to what amounts to unsettled conditions of the times." permanent conscription.

On March 13 Secretary of War With all this heat upon it the mediate sleeping accommoda-Patterson, General Eisenhower recent opposition in Congress to tions were found for them. and Air General Spaatz told a (Continued on Page 8)

**Wounded Veterans** Put In Ship's Hold Forty-four Hawaiian war veterans of Japanese ancestry, all wounded while fighting in the U.S. Army in Eu-

rope, were forced to travel to Hawaii in the hold of the transport President Hayes while civilians occupied the staterooms and cabins, according to Associated Press, March 9.

Nine of the veterans had lost arms or legs. One was paralyzed from the waist

All the men were assigned to the hold at the beginning of the trip, said one of the veterans. "But when we kicked up a fuss the captain put all amputees in the sick bay."

## **Veterans Picket Realty Board In New York City**

SPECIAL TO THE MILITANT NEW YORK March 22. -Over 400 indignant veterans of World War II, including many wives, marched upon the offices of the Real Estate

Board of New York, 12 E. 42 St. at 4:30 p.m. today. They carried Hershey's formula for "indefplacards denouncing the big real estate interests and their powerful lobbies in Washington and demanding immediate action to provide housing for veterans and their families.

Over 100 veterans, members of the American Veterans Committee, invaded the offices of the Board, while the others contin-ued picketing. They declared they would bed down for the night

in the spacious offices unless im-In written and verbal denunci-

He Maketh Glad ations, the veterans charged the The Nazi Heart Board with conspiring through "We ourselves have only one

"It's Your Turn Now"



# Wall Street Wields Iranian Issue **To Promote Anti-Soviet War Drive**

#### **By Charles Carsten**

In the latest move in Wall Street's campaign to prepare public opinion for World War III, the Iranian government, under pressure from the Anglo-American 17 weeks, that "we are ready to imperialists, last week called for UNO-Security Council intervention against the Soviet

Union in the dispute over the WALL STREET continued presence of Russian troops in their country. WAR-MONGER

## **Uphold Democratic Unionism** In First Two Sharp Debates

By Art Preis (Staff Reporter, The Militant)

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Mar. 24.-Hot from the battlefronts of the greatest labor upsurge in American history, some 2,000 delegates of the mighty CIO United Automobile Workers have been meeting here at the Civic Auditorium since

## **General Motors Still Tied Up On Local Issues**

SPECIAL TO THE MILITANT ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Mar. 23.—Despite the na- quickly yesterday afternoon. Betional contract agreement reached a week ago between on a number of important resothe CIO United Automobile lutions, including the plan for Workers and General Motors Corporation, the 175,000 GM production workers are being kept from a return to work by the still-arrogant corporation. The company has refused to reopen operations in any of its plants while 12 local unions re- tors workers, have not yet hit main on strike because local plant managements have refused clude such questions as "comas yet to settle important local

grievances **UAW Vice President Walter** Reuther, leader of the GM strike, reported on the status of the settlement here tonight before a meeting of the "Reuther for President" caucus at the Civic Auditorium, where the UAW today began its 10th National Convention. He told the approving 800 delegates at the meeting, many of them GM workers who have been out now more than stay out until the other 12 plants

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sanction because the local had

ignored the 30-day "cooling-off"

period and struck in defiance

The bosses and city officials

gave all possible cooperation to

and persuaded the Red Cross, in

the interest of "civic unity," to

Some 6.000 machinists con-

verged on the Civic Auditorium

at 10 a.m., February 25. Hun-

turn the hall over to him.

#### GETTING RESULTS

settle.

The delegates vociferously and The decision of the GM Dele- overwhelmingly voted down the gates' Conference last week in unanimous proposal of the (

Gray

IN THE NEWS

## **Brass Hats Scheme To Keep Control Of Atomic Energy**

#### **Bu Felix Morrow**

clique was endorsed last week by the Senate Atomic Energy of the Metropolitan Fair Rent Committee by a vote of 10-1.

Ostensibly the vote merely would not become available to gave a Military Liaison Board the medical world at large. authority to appeal to President Truman against any decision of a Civilian Control Board. But itary veto of a scheduled reading in rents. ponent, warned that under the effect of slow neutrons on the and tired of fake promises and in the current New Yorker.). "liaison" formula the military can "check every phone call. every memorandum written and cally enough, it turned out that Fifth Avenue and to march on the hiring of all personnel" on atomic projects. Even more important, once it is conceded that the military have a voice on pol-law it is well nigh cartain that **Paris Rally Scores Attacks** icy, it is well-nigh certain that its appeals to the President would not be rejected.

**On Fourth Internationalists** The military clique has obvious special interests of its own in insisting on military control of atomic energy. It would elesponded to the call of the Parti Communiste International- March 20.) vate the brass hats to a position iste, French Section of the Fourth International, at a meetof policy-making scarcely ever before reached in history by any against this party and tomilitary clique.

#### STIFLE SCIENCE

The extent to which it would organ. dominate science was indicated

An overflow crowd filled the camp by the Gestapo for his by two incidents last week. On Salle des Horticulteurs in the March 11, addressing the As-Rue Grenelle to listen to French sociation of Cancer Research of Indo-Chinese and British speakwhich he is president, Capt. ers denounce the undemocratic Shields Warren, chief medical actions of the Gouin Governofficer of the Naval Technical ment and its police. A particular Mission to Japan, regretfully target of the orators was the tional. stated. "For security reasons the precipitate police raid March 5 type and quantity of atomic on the PCI meeting in the Faubomb radiation cannot be dis- berg St. Martin. At this gathercussed." ing, party officials, together with

In plain English, he could not militants from several European tell his fellow-scientists, to countries, discussed international whom he was describing the developments in the presence of deaths and injuries resulting invited journalists, among them from radiation of the atomic several from the United States. bombs dropped on Japan, what PROTEST REPRESSION

kind and how much radiation Although all the participants had caused these casualties. in the meeting had been freed,

Capt. Warren also stated that the orators protested against "vital biological data essential to their 24-hour detention at police close in the gaps in our knowl- beadquarters and against the reedge" of the effects of such radi- pressive raid upon a meeting of ation would be secured in the a legal working class party. Bikini test of atom bombs on Among the speakers acclaimed tion fund. The meeting conclud- do." (Speech of Winston Chur- ists to accept the terms of the lie by former news releases of non-machinists. warships. But he made plain by the meeting with tremendous ed with a vigorous rendition of chill at Columbia University

that this "vital biological data" applause were Favre-Bleibtreu, the "Internationale."

their lobbles in Washington to daily newspaper to read, Stars defeat price controls on housing and Stripes, which gave us the and rents as well as the provision in the Patman bill which startling headline 'Unite to Stop aimed to grant government sub- Russians, Churchill Warns' . . . sidies to relieve the housing In Nuernberg, all we know is

crisis. They demanded that Ar- what we see and hear. In court, Continued control of atomic energy by the military thur D. Koppell, vice-chairman we saw the German lawyers hold the Stars and Strines high in Committee, a building owners' group, explain his action. Before their hands so that Goering and the House Banking and Cur- their other clients in the prisonrency Committee Koppell had ers' box could burst into smiling

The other incident was a mil- called for a 15 per cent increase animation at the glorious good news." (A letter from Nuernberg of a paper by a scientist, on the Declaring that they were sick

human body, to a scientific run-arounds, the veterans threat-

meeting at Atlantic City. Ironi- ened to seize empty mansions on 15 Servants Enough? "A general quite obviously could not properly carry out his duties if he were billeted in a squad tent. But neither should he live in a ten room house with thirty servants, as one high officer in the Philippines was accused of doing by the demobilization demonstrators last Janu-PARIS. Mar. 13 - More than 1.000 Paris workers re- ary." (N. Y. Times editorial,

### ing held here tonight, to protest the latest police reprisals Unanimous For Wall St.

demand complete legaliza- General Secretary of the PCI; "The unanimity of all the final tion of La Verite, its official Marcel Beaufrere, outstanding organ. votes taken on steps here tells the story as clearly as it can be the Buchenwald concentration told. Imagine a conference of nations reaching decisions unaniheroic work in organizing Trotmously - honestly and truly unskyist cells in Hitler's Wehranimously . . . Yet every vote macht, and Jock Haston, Genhere was 'unanimous' . . . The eral Secretary of the Revolutionother countries tried to put over ary Communist Party, British as many of their demands as Section of the Fourth Internapossible — and then, for diplomatic and financial reasons, fell

Pierre Frank, well-known in line with the U.S. viewpoint." French Trotskyist leader who recently returned from England, the International Monetary Conwhere he had been interned durference at Savannah, Ga.) ing the war, and who now faces

\* \* \* trial here on old charges of anti-Except For India, Egypt, war activity, also addressed the meeting. Representatives of the Malaya, Palestine, Etc. Spanish Section of the Fourth "Thus, walking forward to-International and of the Indo-Chinese Trotskyists were also

Resolutions of protest to be sordid interests, marching forsent to the government were ward together, we may render adopted unanimously. The asat this juncture services to husembled workers contributed with manity which never before has and file and their leadership and CIO Steelworkers Machinist Lo- the hall calling for the floor and any country had the honor to attempted to compel the machingreat generosity to the PCI elec-

mennonies.)

Iran's protest was no sooner placed with the Secretary of the Security Council than / Wall Street's spokesmen began clamoring for immediate action. Edward R. Stettinius, U. S. dele-

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gate to the Council, demanded placing Iran's formal complaint at the head of the Council's agenda. President Truman reected the Kremlin's plea for

own territory and, if they refused I would use the atomic bomb on them while we have it and before they get it." (Continued on Page 8)

Street.

## **San Francisco Machinists End Bitter Four-Month Strike**

#### By J. Marshall (Special to The Militant)

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 18 - Members of both Independent Machinists Lodge 68 and East Bay Machinists Local of it. 1304-CIO, voted yesterday in full membership meetings to accept an 18 per cent wage increase and return to work this morning. This ends a 👁

four-month old strike which | demand the machinists accept closed down all shipyards and the bosses' offer and return to Civic Auditorium for his Febwork. Local machinist leaders Ed ruary 25 mass meeting. The au-150 machine shops in the Bay Dillon and Harry Hook informed ditorium had been previously Area.

him that these terms were not reserved by the Red Cross. But The main feature of the maacceptable to the rank and file. Mayor Roger D. ("Teargas") chinists strike has been the mag-Unable to bully the leadership, Lapham, of strikebreaking fame nificent solidarity between lead-Brown tried to take negotiations in the '30s, interceded for Brown ers and members of the local out of their hands. unions and their unity in ac-On February 22, without contion, Lodge 68, which was forced sulting local leaders. Brown

called a mass meeting of the Association of Machinists, had lodge for February 25 at the Civic against the bosses but also Auditorium. In a release to the press, Brown claimed that the dreds of cops armed with riot against the reactionary leaderpurpose of the meeting was to sticks swarmed through the hall ship of the International. "explain" the bosses' offer to the to "keep order." Representatives

The rank and file revolt of the men and urge them to accept it of the boss press were present 17.000 machinists against the by secret ballot. sell-out efforts of the top IAM bureaucrats has been raging for Francisco. He ignored the rank

which showed the International

originally had refused strike

George H. Earle, former Democratic Governor of Pennances are satisfactorily settled sylvania and ex-Minister to was defended by Reuther. He Bulgaria, is uninhibited by said that this policy is getting diplomatic considerations and real results. In most instances therefore able openly to exthe corporation has already been press the views now circulatforced to make major concessions ing in Washington and Wall

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and settle some of the oldest and worst local grievances. Upon his arrival in Boston Among the plants where the from Turkey on March 23 this company has been forced to millionaire bellowed that Rusyield on key local issues are sia should be given an ulti-Ternstedt and Cadillac in Dematum to "get back to her troit and Fisher Body in Pontiac. At the Fisher plant the union secured equal pay for women, which netted them as much as

Detroit to permit local unions to stitution Committee to amend remain on strike until local griev- the UAW constitution to pro-(Continued on Page 2)

## **Big Business Speeds Assault On Price Control**

By Evelyn Atwood Spearheaded by the National Association of Manufacturers which embraces 15,000 of the nation's biggest industrialists, profit - mad Big Business last week launched an assault of unprecedented ferocity upon the living standards of the American people.

In testimony before the House Banking and Currency Commistee which is considering a year's extension of the Office of Price Administration, prominent representatives of the big corporations threatened that they would continue to keep consumers' goods off the market unless Congress agreed to lift all restrictions on prices by abolishing its price control agency.

Brown in his efforts to bust the Robert Ross Wason, president strike. This was shown in the of the NAM, after cynically way Brown obtained use of the claiming that "freer" prices would "benefit" 140,000,000 people, was forced to admit under questioning that the manufacturers would profit by the rise in prices.

In reality, the abolition of the OPA would remove the last flimsy obstacle to a whirlwind of soaring prices which would bring super profits to the corporations and speculators at the expense of the nation's consuming masses.

Flanking the NAM'S drive to (Continued on Page 7)

#### ON THE INSIDE

Marxist Study . Nisei Terror **Military** Caste COLUMNS AND FEATURES **Trade Union Notes** Veterans Problems Workers Forum . The Negro Struggle Diary of Steelworker

Notes of A Seaman

to report the "peace" move. Famine in China Brown stepped to the "mike," banged the gavel and called the meeting to order. From that operation with a "dual" union, indignant machinists throughout cal 1304. His claim was given the demanding the hall be cleared

Brown, after minutes of futile (Continued on Page 2)

To cover his treacherous role, CHALLENGES BROWN gether, with no aims of con- the past month. During Febru- in view of the fact that he had quest, subjugation, or material ary, Harvey Brown, IAM Inter- refused from the start to sancprofit, or advancement of the national President, working in tion the strike, Brown claimed "cooperation" with local bosses the IAM executive Council frown- point on he had little to say and city officials, moved into San | ed upon Lodge 68's policy of co- Pandemonium broke loose, with

bosses.

to secede from the International (March 18 N. Y. Post report on to conduct its struggle not only

UAW Delegates Face Key Issues TRADE UNIO Seguint the Stalinists, Reuther In his speech avoided red-baiting. TRADE UNIO NOTES

officers every two years instead top leaders to entrench themof annually.

The convention also referred back to the Constitution Committee a proposal to establish a Constitution Committee brought Fair Practices and Anti-Discrim- forward the question of providing ination Department after dele- representation for the Negro gates insisted the proposal be members, who constitute a sizable strengthened to include provi- and very active portion of the sions for greater representation union, on the top bodies of the for the Negro members in the UAW. This proposal has, repeattop councils of the union.

#### **STORM OF BOOS**

As in previous conventions, the of boos and other ination policy seriously. storm strong expressions of disap-Shouts of "sit down" proval. met the spokesman of the Constitution Committee. Ben Garrison of Ford Highland Park Local 400, when he tried to sell the convention the top leadership's unpopular proposal-which none of the latter had the guts to openly and personally advocate.

After the chairman, Thomas, pleaded to "give the speaker a chance," Garrison made a demogogic plea for the longer term in order to "limit politics" and because, he claimed, "if we permit continuation of internal politics we are not going to have a union." Shelton Tappes of Ford Local 600, another member of the committee, who has been known as a close follower of Stalinist policies, also spoke for two-year terms in order to "eliminate politics from the union."

Although the floor was flooded with the upraised hands of delegates, principally those who opposed the proposal, Thomas managed to give the floor mainly to those who favored the proposal. This brought loud and strident objections.

#### **VOICE OF RANKS**

that "if the officers do a good fine anti-discrimination resolujob they will be elected again tions passed at previous convenwithout politicking. But if they tions, were cited by several Negro don't do, their job we want to be delegates, including Hodges Main a position to eliminate them as son, of Local 208. quickly as possible."

The call for the vote was soon men were Ganley and Hodges, made from the floor. The prop- had at previous conventions inosition was then voted down al- troduced this proposal. Their most unanimously to the accom- purpose has always been demapaniment of a great outburst of gogically to exploit the sentiapplause and cheers. This ac- ments of the Negro delegates in tion reflected the mistrust of the a factional maneuver against auto militants, steeped in the tra- Reuther. They did this in 1943 dition of union democracy, of when Reuther opposed their speed

selves in a bureaucratic position over the union ranks. The very next proposal of the edly been supported by most Ne-

gro delegates. They wish to protect the interests of the especially oppressed Negro workers, and proposal to extend the terms of to secure a demonstration by the the top officers beyond one year union of its earnest desire to show was immediately greeted with a the world it takes its no-discrim-

> The debate arose after the **Constitution Committee reported** out its proposal for the establishment of a Fair Practices and Anti-Discrimination Department to be headed by the International President.

A proposal was made from the floor by Nat Ganley, Local 155, that an additional amendment be added to provide for the elec-

tion of a Negro to the International Executive Board. This idea was supported by several repre sentative Negro delegates, as well as several white members. . .... EXAMPLES CITED 434.3

Opposition was voiced to the representation proposal giving the stock argument that officers should be elected strictly on the basis of "qualifications" and that sition on this question and his if you start with guaranteeing Negroes representation, then elements in his caucus.

"every other group" will want Erwin Baur, Detroit Budd Lospecial provisions. This argu- cal delegate, summed up the isment evaded the significant fac- sue most clearly when he stated: tor that it is only the Negroes ["It is quite obvious from observwho lack, even in the democratic ing the action of the Negro dele-UAW, full and equal opportunity gates that they want to have

## rents of discrimination. Examples of this discrimina-

who clearly voiced the true senti- both factions of the top leader- has nominated a Negro candi- with the big campaign being the GM strike. Thomas referred ments of the ranks, pointed out ship to seriously implement the date, must combine to elect a mapped by the CIO. Negro to the top committee, or we must adopt an article to the constitution which will provide a post for a Negro representative."

The Stalinists, whose spokes-**REAL SITUATION** 

This statement brought out | ed "we must strengthen our pointo the open the real situation. litical action," he wound up by Neither the Thomas-Addes group proposing the same old banknor the Reuther group has nom- rupt policy of tying labor to the inated and fought to elect some political parties of Big Business. of the unquestionably qualified simply pleading that "we must

up "incentive pay" plan. This

maneuver was made possible be-

cause of Reuther's incorrect po-

catering to certain Jim Crow

question can be solved here only

minority of delegates.

by CIO-PAC to bring bac

"TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF G.M...." Defying surrender, impervious to shock, Embattled, heroic, you stood like a rock. A fortress of Labor unshakably strong, Protecting the weak from cruel injury and wrong . . . With one mighty voice raised in thunderous acclaim, We hail your great victory, proclaiming its fame; Each heart filled with pride in the triumph you've won-We hurl forth the challenge, "We've only begun!" **Eddie Dumaine** 

THOMAS SKIRTS ISSUES

He skirted all the key issues, however, such as "company security" and government boards. Although he attacked Truman as weak and spineless" and assert-

Negro members. In this respect demand that both major politiboth groups are catering to the cal parties in this country have more backward and prejudiced more progressive candidates." The present reactionary Congress

The convention voted to refer is made up of many of those the committee's recommendation "progressive" capitalist candi- REUTHER RALLY back to the committee for further dates whose election was hailed grea

He sharply assailed the underhanded secret deal of the Stalinist leaders of the CIO United Electrical Workers who violated an agreement with the UAW and settled the strike of 30,000 UE members in GM Electrical Division for less than the GM strike in fabricating plants in and CIO leaders, have to resort ing the GM strike, such as

etc. Reuther went back to the wartime period of "wild-cat" strikes before V-J Day and ac- 000 workers in basic steel and cused Thomas of not having "the sent them back, but secured no "strategy" is Morris talking guts to take a stand" in support real assurances of settlement on of the Kelsey-Hayes and other the same terms for nearly-350,-000 other strikers in the smaller fabricating plants. It didn't help

whose settlement has prolonged the smaller and weaker steel lothe GM strike came during the cals which have had to pull their period of the no-strike pledge. belts tighter and tighter and continue their strikes. The March

Reuther, however, failed to re- the week of that issue there were call his own support of the no- still 426 plants employing 160,strike pledge and how he helped 000 workers which had not signed to enforce it. Reuther avoided up. discussion of many of the main issues growing out of the GM Pittsburgh that "as soon as the union, but who were forced to strike, such as the now-clearly false "one-at-a-time" strategy

which he authorized and which the entire UAW Board voted to going out together, will we all go wave would have taken on such to the International: We're all

his capitulation on the issue of stranded? Murray's representa- spiration provided by the GM. Truman's "fact-finding" boards, tives threw a lot of words around strikers. in whose proceedings he partici- on this to avoid saying yes or

He referred pointedly to the hold-out firms, Murray's district CIO leadership. fact that the GM contract con- directors, contrary to the instructained no "company security" tions of the union's wage policy clause, a positive achievement of committee, are making agreethe GM strike. But he did not ments for less than the full terms UAW into the AFL. He said he Board, with his participation, tract. "Some of the nut and bolt GM's Electrical Division which tion" and by innuendo tried to inal and worst proposal for "com- 18½ cents, but without the 9¼ pany security" offered by the cents back pay."

Company. Reuther in his talk avoided remaining steel strikers at what the question of program. Be- they consider Murray's failure supported by both AFL and CIO

cause the meeting was conduct- to sufficiently consider their inmembers of the Reuther caucus at the time the basic steel agreewho desired to, did not have the ment was secured.

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essive party."

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opportunity to make proposals

By Joseph Keller

Small Steel Locals Still Out On Strike

articles attacking Reuther. But the Stalinists, in order to attack Reuther and still cling to

From steel workers still on the coat-tails of the other UAW auto workers were demanding. Pittsburgh, northern Jersey and to a piece of real fakery. Thus Reuther correctly attacked other areas, The Militant has George Morris, the Daily Workbeen forced to continue their labor "expert," writes that "Reustrategy of concentrating its ma-Apparently, Philip Murray se- jor strikes for an all-at-once

> This is sheer fraud. What CIO. about? When was it determined? Who determined it? How was it supposed to operate?

> The plain truth is that the CIO unions had no unified strategy. It was the GM strike which first forced the Truman administration to recommend a 191/2 cent increase. Only after this did the other unions, steel, packinghouse, UE, go out on strikeand they settled for less than 19½ cents.

In fact, Murray once called off 18 CIO News reports that up to the scheduled steel strike without consultation of his own membership. He certainly did not consult the CIO packinghouse workers who were scheduled to One steel striker writes us from go out one day after the steel strike vote was taken last fall, go out, like the GM strikers, on

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we raised the following questions their own. back together? Or will the big scope and power if it had not He also neglected to explain companies sign up and leave us been for the initiative and in-

Reuther's "one - at - a - time" pated, although he had previ- no. . . Now we certainly are strategy was in fact the policy ously denounced the "fact-find- left holding the bag, or you might of the entire UAW leadership, who voted for it and supported The same worker informs us it. It was also the strategy, if that in an effort to sign up the one can call it such, of the whole

What the Stalinists have to answer for is the conduct of the CIO Electrical Workers leaders in making a back-room settlemention the fact that the UAW of the U.S. Steel "master" con- ment for 30,000 UE members in approved unanimously the orig- factories started signing up for undercut the demands of the GM auto workers.

> "Incentive Pay" It is clear that there is a great

deal of indignation among the Comes Home to Roost The Stalinists who complain about Reuther "prolonging the GM strike" are having a tough ed solely as a "hurrah" rally, terests and to fight for them time with Westinghouse Electric, which refuses to grant an 181/2 cent settlement to its 75,000 striking workers despite such a settlement in General Electric. The Stalinists dominate the UE-CIO which is conducting the West-

Last week, Westinghouse con-

to gain key offices because of more than what the Constitu- their agents are aiming at the Daily Worker and tried, without still remaining, underlying cur- tional Committee proposes. This workers. His one positive point, naming him, to smear Reuther. which no one could possibly con- He sought to throw suspicion on the down the union demandsin one of two ways. Either the test, was his plea for the organiz- the splendid contribution of \$86,-One delegate, from Local 365, tion, as well as the failure of two caucuses, neither of which ation of the unorganized in line 000 which the ILG made to aid

back to the time in 1939 when Dubinsky is reported to have aided Homer Martin with \$25,000 when Martin tried to split the 'was worried about the situa-

loyalty because the ILG, like UAW leaders to Ford Motor many AFL unions, contributed to the General Labor Committee to Aid the GM Strikers, which was

leaders including CIO President Philip Murray. Thomas' speech was met by only a brief flurry of polite applause and widespread boos.

on program. But, aware that this Some Stalinist Fakery question was foremost in the Reuther has the support, it minds of a number of those pres- About the GM Strike

ing" procedure as aimed to whit- say, holding empty bellies." which it did.

sponsibility for so-called un- the latter workers any when Truauthorized strikes lay with the man declared that the 181/2 cents leadership for its failure to de- an hour increase in basic steel fend the interests of the work- did not apply to the smaller comers. He also admitted that the panies.

**REUTHER'S OWN PAST** 

Thomas for his conduct dur- received reports that they have er's leading hatchet-man and Thomas' proposition to reopen walkouts for many weeks after ther jumped the gun with the GM parts plants during the the CIO steel workers' leaders GM strike with a 'one-at-a-time' strike, his attempts to settle the settled the strikes in basic steel theory in defiance of the CIO's strike on less favorable terms, last month.

cured a settlement for the 400,- quick show-down.'

strikers. Reuther admitted that the re-

Thus, there are hundreds of huge pile-up of local grievances

## **UAW Convention Delegates**

"Pioneer" Display Attracts

#### SPECIAL TO THE MILITANT

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Mar. 24 .-- Something new has members proper representation. was factional, as was revealed rally, which attracted about 800 been added to the famous Boardwalk fronting the ocean here. That is the Pioneer Publishers Book Stall which is offering a splendid display of labor and socialist literature President R. J. Thomas yester. Reuther, whom he tried by imat 2227 Boardwalk, just a few doors from the huge Civic Auditorium where the CIOD

is holding its convention. The display will continue throughout the week of the convention.

Many UAW delegates and visito purchase literature. Almost tors are stopping before the attractive display front of the store, comes from a few Stalinist elelooking over the many fine ments, who nevertheless cannot pamphlets and books and purconceal their surprise and envy chasing literature. A mailing serat the enterprise of the Socialist vice to their homes is provided. Workers Party and Pioneer Pub-A big sign, red on white, across lishers for providing this display. the entire store front announces: SCORES OF GREETINGS

"Pioneer Publishers-Books and Pamphlets of Interest to the Labor Movement." Signs greet strolling UAW members from GM strike and an analysis of the the Lodge 68 strike committee. either direction: "Welcome UAW-CIO Delegates." Other large signs tributed before the Convention manding to know by what auannounce: "We take subscrip- Hall to the UAW delegates. The thority the meeting had been tions for The Militant and Fourth reception was very friendly. Many called. International."

During lunch recess of the con- their appreciation of The Militant vention, and in the evenings and told the distributors about ruled Scher out of order. This when the display is brilliantly having become acquainted with brought a wave of catcalls and lighted up, many UAW delegates it on the picket lines in Detroit, can be seen looking over the Flint and elsewhere.



Today, several thousand Mili-

progressive victory" in Novema proposal with "more 'teeth" and greater assurances of a sin- ber 1944.

cere desire to give the Negro The real intent of the speech The "keynote" speech of the when Thomas made an under- delegates. convention was delivered by handed and concealed attack on plication to link to a "plot" al-

His remarks created scarcely ripple in the convention. He Ladies Garment Workers' Presi-Scores of delegates who have spoke in broad generalities about dent David Dubinsky to swing union presidency. the problems facing the workers, the UAW into the AFL.

briefly outlining the numerous Thomas took a slanderous atlines stop to give a friendly greet- attacks which the employers and tack directly from the Stalinist ers to resort to red-baiting

more militant and progressive elements. Last night his caucus held a "Reuther for President"

Reuther, at this rally, spoke generally in defense of his leadership of the GM strike, which legedly being engineered by AFL is the main reason for the support he is now receiving for the

> Although there is a tendency among a section, of his follow-

## the only unfriendly comment San Francisco Machinists **End Bitter 4-Month Strike**

### (Continued from Page 1)

along, was compelled to recog- | of Brown. Brown then huddled break the rank and file solidarity tants containing articles on the nize Harry Scher, chairman of UAW convention issues were dis- Scher raised a point of order de-Scher out of order.

"mike" and moved the meeting on accepting the paper expressed Brown quoted the Grand Lodge be adjourned until the next Sun-Constitution as authority and day at 10 a.m., when they were scheduled to conduct a regular meeting. He, too, quoted the constamping of feet. Scher then stitution in support of his momoved that DeMattei, Lodge 68 tion. Brown ruled Dillon out of



Brown, having thus failed in effort to shove the meeting President, take the chair in place his first effort, tried next to with members of the IAM Ex- by mailing out secret ballots to ecutive Council and again ruled 68's membership, asking them to vote in favor of the bosses' offer. Ed Dillon, militant Lodge 68 This move, also made over the business agent, then grabbed the heads of the lodge officials, re-

ceived practically no response. Shortly after this move failed, Brown once again ordered the machinists to accept the bosses' offer and return to work. He also set a date for a "trial" of the leadership of 68, where he filed charges calling for suspension and revocation of the local char-

Under these circumstances, the

At this point, when feeling was running high, De Mattei se- ter. cured the "mike" and called for a On March 10, the membership

vote on Dillon's motion. It was of Lodge 68 answered this threat carried by an overwhelming ovaby seceding from the IAM and tion. The machinists then stampsetting up their own indepened from the hall and, with the dent union. Brown immediately exception of a few stragglers, obtained a court order enabling cleared it in a few minutes. Outhim to take over the offices and side the air was filled with rerecords of the Lodge. In large marks against Brown such as ads in the daily newspapers he "strikebreaker," "scab herder," began to appeal to the machinists to "remain loyal" to the in-One thing that especially aidternational and to go back to

ed the machinists in opposing work this morning. He also anthis high-handed move of Brown nounced that he would begin a and his Executive Council was "loyalty check" of all machinists that the floor "mikes" throughon the jobs. out the hall were "hot." Officials were at a loss to understand independent union voted to rethis, as orders had been given to turn to work this morning and kill all "mikes" except that used conduct a fight to retain their by Brown. jurisdiction over jobs. They have

#### NEW MOVE FAILS

announced that they will ask for After this meeting, Lodge 68 an NLRB election to prove that moved their regular scheduled the men want to be represented meeting up a day and invited by the militant local leadership Brown and the Executive Coun- rather than by Brown and his cil to be present. They refused. | IAM Executive Council.

is quite apparent, of most of the |ent, Reuther concluded by saying From the first moment of the inghouse strike. he would "discuss the question GM strike, The Militant pointed of program at another meeting." out the incorrectness of the "one- temptuously offered a 9½ cent However, his program was re-

at-a-time" strategy authored by raise, according to the UE leadleased in a convention paper is- UAW Vice President Walter ers. Its proposal, which "shocksued by his group following the Reuther. The Militant pointed ed" the UE leaders, was contained meeting. Except for language and out the need to combat the con- in a lengthy 25-page document. phraseology, it scarcely differs certed offensive of Big Business Of particular interest is the from the program of Thomasby a planned extension of the fact that Westinghouse attempts Addes. It contains no proposals CIO strikes and a unified CIO to justify its miserly wage offer for action on such vital quesstrategy. on the ground that its "incentive.

tions as "company security" and The Communist (Stalinist) pay" system permits its workers the withdrawal of union support Party, whose members in the to make more than in other secfrom government wage-freezing UAW are very discredited, has tions of the industry. This is the and wage-fixing bodies like the seized upon the "one-at-a-time" notorious speed-up plan which 'fact-finding" boards and Wage strategy as a club to belabor the Stalinists themselves bally-Stabilization Board. Reuther, who is an anti-Stalinist hooed during the war, and which

On the question of labor politand therefore an opponent of they put into effect wherever ical action, the key to labor's the CP in the unions. The Stalin- they could shove it down the most crucial problems, Reuther ist Daily Worker is running big workers' throats. proposes "an aggressive program



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weapons in the hands of the imperialist war-mongers who in their lust for world-domination, threaten the destruction of modern civilization. The first article, published last week, showed how the destructive powers of warfare multiplied from the beginning of World War I to the end of World War II.

#### **Bu Eugene Varlin**

If World War III comes, there isn't a spot on this planet that will be safe from aerial attack. Ocean barriers, no matter how wide, are no longer a guarantee of security against bombing. This fact was dramatically demonstrated

generals of the United States selves toward a man who enters, in reaction to the heat of his Army Air Force made a non- body . . .

stop flight from Japan to At the close of the war, Ger-Chicago in B-29's. many was building ramps from On October 2, 1945, in an ad- which to launch V-2's against dress to the Wings Club at the the United States. The V-2 rock-Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, General et bombs travel 2,000 miles an Le May, one of the three generals hour. No effective means of de-

who made the flight, declared: fense against them has yet been "I believe we could fly from the devised. States to Europe in a B-29 right General Arnold, former Comnow, drop an atomic bomb and manding General of the Army return safely. And, of course, if Air Forces, proposed as a counsomebody in Europe had a B-29 ter-measure the launching of 3,or a better plane, they could do 000 mile an hour robot atom it to us. bombs from space ships operat-

The B-29 will not be the last ing outside the earth's atmosword in long-range bombers for phere to blow them up before be stopped by food . . .' very long. In his bienniel report they reached their target.

to the War Department on October 9, 1945. General Marshall stated: "Development of even tive. And only one or two rocket greater bombers capable of oper- atom bombs penetrating the deating at stratospheric altitudes fense proposed by General Arand speeds faster than sound and nold could wipe out a city. carrying bomb loads of more than 100,000 pounds, already is a certainty. These aircraft will have a fare is the United States. Howsufficient range to attack any spot on the earth and return to a friendly base."

If piloted aircraft capable of making round-trip bombing missions anywhere on earth are already "a certainty," then pilotless rocket bombs able to make a one-way trip to any point on the globe are doubly certain. Rocket bombs, known as V-2's, were used by Germany in her air war against England. Their effectiveness was limited because they could not carry so heavy a bomb load as airplanes and they were, not sufficiently accurate.

#### **ROCKETS PLUS A-BOMBS**

These limitations have already been overcome. The first handicap of the rocket bomb has been

the V-2.

its flight nearest the target. New off the map.

to their targets.

# No City Safe From New Air Weapons This is the second of a series of articles on the death-dealing appons in the hands of the imperialist war-mongers who in their

The Heritage Of Imperialist War-Starvation

THEMILITANT

## **Imperialists Use Food As Weapon**

**To Aid Reaction** After World War I. the food relief policy of the United States government was based, not on any desire to help the starving European masses, but on the determination of American imperialism to

crush the rising tide of working lass revolt In requesting a \$100,000,000, appropriation from Congress on February 24, 1919, President Wilson declared: "Food relief is now the key to the whole European situation and to the solution of peace. Bolshevism is steadily advancing westward. . . . It cannot

be stopped by force, but it can Congress was convinced by the President's arguments. The American Relief Administration,

headed by Herbert Hoover, was established to carry out this pol-

Today, the country best equipped to wage offensive aerial wartaken power. A stringent blockade of the Soviet Union was en-

> starving Hungary when the Hungarian workers established their own government in 1919. Hoover's director for southeast Europe, T. C. C. Gregory,

refused the requests for supplies made by the Bolshevik food administrator of Hungary. At the same time he promised the

"prepared to extend material



In the photograph above, children of France hunt through garbage pails for scraps of food Here is a small part of the misery and hunger ravaging all of Europe and the Orient today.

The American Relief Admin-istration withheld food from all areas in which the workers had Starvation And Disease War, then famine and pestilence—and then war capitalist system. Now that

> millions are faced with capitalism's greatest famine and disease epidemic.

> > There is not a single country in Europe, whether victor or

vanquished, whose people are not dying from hunger or being ing to a March 22 dispatch from ranging to have the too scanty twisted and stunted by the ravages of disease.

from starvation runs through Poprovided.

ing to officials of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation age in the world."

children will never know a

#### By Mike Cort

Millions of Chinese farmers, located on the country's richest rice lands, are today slowly starving to death. 10,000,000 people in Hunan Province rely for sustenance on grass and a native clay which they refer to as "kwanyin" (Goddess of Mercy). This appalling news was reported this week by Dr. Ting-fu F. Tsi-

INDIAN PEOPLE

WILL DIE LIKE FLIES

India will be affected by the

developing famine there, said

Khwaja Sir Navimmuddin,

former Prime Minister of

Bengal, in New York on March

12. If help is not immediate-

ly forthcoming, "people will

die in the streets like flies," he

predicted.

Over 100,000,000 people in

ang, Chinese delegate to the Atlantic City meeting of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.

After years of sacrifice in the war against the Japanese imperialists, the Chinese people find that peace brings them the gift of starvation. And if they had any illusion that succor in their final extremity would be forthcoming from their Anglo-American "allies," this illusion is now dispelled. For official **Imperialists Plan** UNRRA figures reveal that contemplated relief for China's **Starvation For** starving millions amounts to \$1.25 per capita-hardly sufficient to displace clay as a diet

look to their own government for aid. Chiang Kai-shek's corrupt regime is today spending more slow starvation. money for military purposes than it has earmarked for food for the starving. Dr. Tsiang gave a vivid de-

again. That is humanity's ple to the Atlantic City meet- March 10 that by the end of the pattern of life under the ing. He said, "The people are month Japan would be "virtually capitalism's greatest and most peasants now have marked up N. Y. Times correspondent Burbloody war has ended, Europe's the grass into lots. This lot be- ton Crane wired from Tokyo

less business." These conditions mean that in Hunan province alone, accord-Chungking to the N. Y. Times,

Europe's "Black Belt" of death vation unless adequate relief is oto, Osaka and other areas land, eastern Czechoslovakia,

ped by the "worst wheat short- Hupeh, he said, there is only dirt ly, bothering only their own auto eat.

Entire generations of Europe's

Although World War II is supposedly ended, the Anglo-American victors have decreed that after May 1 millions of Japanese peasants will be left to die. This time they will not be victims of atomic bombs but victims of a plan for Maj. W. H. Leonard, chief of the agriculture division of Allied Headquarters' natural resources

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scription of the plight of his peo- section in Tokyo, warned on eating grass. The farmers and without food." Nine days later, longs to my family, that lot to that the Combined Food Board your family. They also eat a kind was still "determined" to grant of clay which is a greyish, taste- Japan 600,000 tons of food, which is half of the minimum figure sent to Washington by

Maj. Leonard's department. "Headquarters officials are arstocks sent to Sapporo, Sendai, 4,000,000 Chinese will die of star- Tokyo, Yokohama, Negoya, Kywhere American troops are sta-

tioned," wrote Crane on March A representative from Hupeh 19, "the idea apparently being to province were far worse than where food riots are likely to disthose reported in Hunan. In turb Americans, and to let the Japanese elsewhere starve quiet-<sup>†</sup> thorities."



In any case, such weapons

could never be completely effec-

overcome by the use of atomic ever, every major power is rac-

is extremely light in weight, far bombs. No scientist believes that lighter than the bomb load of either the V-T fuse or the atom Secondly, highly accurate pi- monopoly for more than five lotless bombing is now possible. years. Every major power will During World War II the V-T strive to manufacture a suffibomb fuse was developed. This cient quantity of aircraft and Trade Board declared that the fuse, an electronic device, ex- atom bombs to wipe any or all United States government was plodes the bomb at the point in of its potential military enemies

electronic devices, based on the General Marshall has said, same principles as the V-T fuse, "With the continued development | sheviki. . . are capable of guiding rockets of weapons and techniques now



energy. Despite its enormous de- ing to build up an air-force of structive power, the atom bomb long-range bombers and rocket bomb will remain an American

York, Pittshurgh Detroit



workers' rule, the masses were ever, once the workers' government was defeated by General

Mannerheim with the aid of German troops. Hoover authorized the shipment of food to Finland. In December 1918, the / War

Units of Hoover's American against the use of food for reactionary political aims. known to us, the cities of New Relief Administration accomp-

Adde of the Soviet Union was en-forced from 1917 to 1921. The Allies imposed a blockade on Scourge Of All Europe **AID TO THE STARVING** 

> - By The Editors -In the wake of the appalling devastation wrought by

World War II, famine and disease are killing millions of people throughout the world, and menacing millions more. The imperialist bandits plan to ruthlessly exploit this

misery of the masses for their own reactionary ends. There against the Finnish workers who is ample evidence that food is again being used as a weapon against the working people of Europe and Asia.

The imperialists hope today to repeat their performance of 1919-1922 when Herbert Hoover directed the American starved by a tight blockade. How- Relief Administration. Under his direction ARA forced millions of European workers to accept counter-revolutionary governments simply to survive.

The appointment of Hoover as honorary chairman of the Famine Relief Committee indicates that food will once Yugoslavia, and Greece. Italy is again be used to impose brutal dictatorships upon the also a "blighted country" accord- declared that conditions in his prevent absolute starvation workers and peasants of Europe.

Early in the Second World War, the International Transport Workers' Federation correctly warned that food Administration and is now griphelp to all parts of Russia which would be used for reactionary purposes after World War II. succeed in driving out the Bol- In its May-June 1942 bulletin the Transport Workers declared that only the labor movement could guarantee DISEASE RIFE

American workers have a deep fraternal interest in anied the advance of the counter-aiding the starving masses of other countries. American revolutionary White Armies and labor and farmer organizations must undertake collection millions of them to live in the withdrew whenever these armies of food and medical supplies to rush abroad immediately. open and thus boosted terrific-But collection of food and supplies in the United States ally the rate of lung disease. The food policy of the United and their distribution in foreign countries cannot be en- UNRRA statistics reveal that trusted to capitalist-dominated agencies. It is necessary to make certain that relief supplies go rose 300 per cent during the first to the workers and farmers and not to their enemies. This by the heat of the furnaces. They tion. And what were once the workers and shipped food to the can only be guaranteed if control over the supplies remains are so sensitive that in the space great centers of civilization will areas held by the monarchist in the hands of labor and farmer organizations, from their collection to their distribution in foreign lands.

staple. All of China has been allocated 47,800 tons of relief grain for 1946, according to Dr. Tsiang. But Hong Kong, the British crown colony, has been allocated 23,000 tons, nearly half the amount for the whole of China. NO AID AT HOME Nor can the Chinese people

**Japanese People** 

October, General Marshall said: cago or San Francisco may be "We can direct rockets to targets subject to annihilation from othby electronic devices and new er continents in a matter of instruments which guide them hours."

accurately, to sources of heat, If World War III comes, whatlight and magnetism. Drawn by ever country is attacked will re- States serves the same reactiontheir own fuses, such new rockets taliate by launching its robot ary ends today. In 1944-1945 will streak unerringly to the rockets. This war of robots can UNRRA agents withheld food heart of big factories, attracted only result in mutual annihila- from the areas held by the Greek of a large room they aim them- become enormous graveyards. forces.

nealthy and normal adulthood deaths caused by tuberculosis six months of 1945. Infant mortality showed a rise of 80 per

cent over the 1940 figures. Europe's ancient plagues typhoid fever, malaria, dysentery and typhus - are again-raging through the middle east. Venereal diseases have risen steadily and particularly virulent forms have developed. Syphilis, gonorrhea, cancer and all the other by-products of war and famine, are now rife throughout Europe. The general

disease index has jumped 500 per cent since 1940. Though wonderful strides have

been made by medical science in the creation of new life-giving drugs, such as the various sulfas and penicillin, newspapermen report that few sufferers have received the benefit of such discoveries.

Mrs. Cecilia Davidson, welfare worker of New York City, spent eight months in France working among liberated children. She reported to UNRRA that they "... are dwarfed from years of malnu-

trition. Physically they look half their ages with faces that are tired and old. One little girl carried in what we thought was a baby about seventeen months old. His little arms and legs had not developed and he was Groot, the general secretary of their opportunist purposes), like tiny in size. You can imagine how eerie it was to have this like "Spartacus," have "princi- baby turn around and talk to us like an old man. He was gan: "Free Indonesia From Holover five years of age and he land Now!" and do nothing, could not walk.'

Despite the fact that starvation stalks Europe, UNRRA 'officals announced this week that Europe's food rations will be even further cut in the near fu-

American workers, learn from ture. U. S. Assistant Secretary of State William Clayton told the UNRRA meeting in Atlantic think! "It is far from here and and Indonesia. This we main- fighting parties against the op- City this week that after Janworkers are the same as we, otherwise. But nevertheless, its we cannot check on his words. tain. Therefore in the interest pressors. In America, the Stal- uary 1 the United States will and for heaven's sake we are no good side was that all over the He is a party patriot and maybe of the safety of the bond between inists, Social-Democrats, "ultra- cease participation in organized sectarians and petty bourgeois! world the workers and exploited he boasts about his party." But Holland and Indonesia, we act left" bawlers and centrists will relief. He generously offered to We learned the importance of colonial peoples are awakening I tell you the truth. And I shall with so much force and firm- betray you too at the decisive make available to Europe's starvdiscipline, of united struggle of now. And it made an end to the cite the words of the Stalinist ness for the execution of the moment. Your place is in the ing millions a "fair share of grain, fats and foodstuffs" pro-Fraternally, vided they are purchased on the

Under the heading: "Killed in the Struggle for Communism," the March 9 La Verite, organ of the Parti Communiste Internationaliste, French section of the Fourth International, publishes the following tribute to four of the heroic German Trotskyist leaders murdered in the Nazi concentration camps:

The long list of militants of the Fourth International who have fallen victims of the bloody Hitler dictatorship is not yet closed.

After recently honoring Marcel Hic, General Secretary of our French Section and L. Lesoil, leader of our Belgian Section, both martyrs of the Fourth International, we salute today the memory of four of the most outstanding fighters of our German Section, about whose murder in Nazi prisons we have just learned.

WEINER SCHOLEM, leader of the German Communist Party until 1923 and editor-in-chief of the paper. Red Flag in Berlin, member of the Executive Committee of the Communist International at Moscow. He joined the Trotskyist movement at an early age. After Hitler seized power, he was sent successively to the concentration camps of Sichtenburg, Esterwegen, Dachau, and finally to Buchenwald, where he was assassinated in 1940 by a shot from the revolver of an S.S. officer.

WALTER ... (whose full name we withhold, since his family is living in the Russian zone) was a functionary of the German Communist Party for many years beore joining the Fourth International together with Scholem. He was arrested in 1933, and after 11 years of suffering in Nazi concentration camps, he was mortally wounded on August 24, 1944, during an aerial bombardment.

EDWARD KOLISCHER, a delegate of the (German) Soldier's Councils in 1918, who soon thereafter placed his military talent at the disposal of the Bolshevik Red Army. He was assigned to Leon Trotsky's General Staff. After the expulsion of Trotsky, Comrade Kolischer was retained on the top General Staff of the Red Army and at the same time represented the Austrian Communist Party on the Executive Committee of the Communist International. He finally joined the Communist Left Opposition led by Leon Trotsky and took part in the underground struggle against the Schuschnigg dictatorship. Arrested in 1938, he was deported to Buchenwald and then Auschwitz. He was murdered there in 1942, at the age of 49, by a series of blows dealt by a prison guard.

FRITZ REUTER, a baker by trade and one of the oldest German Bolshevik-Leninists, was imprisoned in Buchenwald, then in Dachau, where tuberculosis quickly carried him away.

Comrades, the example of your lives as militant fighters and as working class prisoners, the example of your sacrifices will not be in vain. Your heroic struggle will serve as a striking refutation of the capitalist lie that would have us believe in the solidarity of the German people with Hitler.

**Dutch Worker's Letter To "M** 

of the word.

(We recently received the following interesting letter to the literal and the figurative sense on the congress of the Dutch nor an air force of such imporreaders of The Militant from a Dutch revolutionist.) Dear Friends:

The people of Indonesia broke I know The Militant is a genuine workers' paper, and their chains and are fighting now rather than give you an extensive report about the deagainst the parasitic Dutch colvelopments of our organiza-> onial oppressors. "I get fear

tion, I prefer to write you fight, as we showed in the past some glimpses of the life of months. And we are sure that the Dutch workers know how to fight the workers in Holland. Holland is not a very impor- too."

tant country. To tell you the

geois conditions, its smallness us, It lived also upon the misery ous of you American workers, thanks to that, was able to aswho live in a nice big country, sure a rather big part of the which is the heart of the world. workers a better standard of liv-But we do not forget that you, ing than the great mass. too, must toil for your daily LABOR ARISTOCRACY

bread, just as we have to do. We always knew that your country is a nicer one than ours. But we know that you cannot their stamp on the labor moveenjoy its beauty, as you must ment in Holland for many years. pass your days in a mill, a work- Even the revolutionary sections shop, the mines and the docks, of the Dutch workers suffered just as we do. We know that you from sectarian, petty-bourgeois live in the big towns, which are tendencies. They possessed their prisons of stones heaped upon own "revolutionary" trade unstones. We know that we can find ions, had too little interest you in the worst, darkest, most in the workers' problems outunhealthy parts of these cities, side of Holland, and thought the just as it would be easy for you revolution was a thing you need to discover in which parts of Rot- not fight for irreconcilably and terdam, Amsterdam, etc., the with all your energy.

Dutch workers are living. But, you might ask me: "Why vile thing. We damn it and warn do you complain about petty- the workers not to fight again bourgeois conditions in Holland? for the interests of the imperial-As you tell us yourself, the Dutch ist oppressors, "democratic" or

around my heart," said the Dutch "socialist" Prime Minister Scher-And you are right! But you truth, you often hear curses about should not forget that the Dutch name of the bourgeoisie. They its bad climate, its petty-bour- bourgeoisie did not exploit only are all afraid, to lose their diviand sectarianism. We are envi- of the people of Indonesia, and their privileged position.

And this labor aristocracy, as we used to call them, printed thing! of the Indonesian masses made t an important one! For the Dutch proletarian parties show-

The war was a very dirty and

in the trade unions. On the conmerhorn, in connection with the trary, when doing so they render courageous fight of the Indonethe Eenheidsvakcentrale a very sian masses. He spoke in the bad service, as Trotskyist elements try to make themselves master of the movement, make dends, their enormous profits, an eager use of it. IT IS THOSE ESPECIALLY, THE SO-CALLED The sympathy of the Dutch **REVOLUTIONAIRE COMMUN**workers, on the other hand, is ISTISCHE PARTIJ, WHO TRY entirely on the side of the In-TO PULL THE WORKERS OF donesians. The war put an end

in the colonies. It destroyed at the same time a good deal of the reformist illusions of the Dutch

Holland may not be a very important country. But the fight the CPN wrote in The Waarheid

#### on October 9, 1945: STALINIST BETRAYAL

ed the working class of the whole "The unity and the cooperaworld what they have to expect tion with Holland create the only conditions for the freedom, and nothing to help our colored from their parties if "their" imperialism is in a crisis. And then the political and economic demust say to you that our party, velopment of the Indonesian peothe Revolutionary Communist ple. 7e, communists, withdrew are fighting for the total inde-Party of the Fourth Interna- in 1937 our former slogan 'Free pendence of Indonesia. tional, is the only one in Holland Indonesia From Holland Now!' which fights for the entire free- as the Japanese menace made dom of Indonesia. Perhaps you necessary the unity of Holland Fourth International are real our class, right in the workshops self-sufficiency of Holland. The leader Koenen (at the same time promises made to Indonesia, Hol- Socialist Workers Party! where you can find us together dikes around "the little isle of secretary of the United Com- land is weak, it does not possess by the tens of thousands. We can | welfare" were destroyed, in the | mittee of Trade Unions-EVC) | a considerable army nor a navy

Communist Party, reported in tance that it could make its influence felt to others. All depends on a courageous and wise statemanship."

This is the language of the to hide their faces because they bourgeoisie which is too weak to think to serve thus the unity smash the Indonesian revolution and now says: "We must make concessions, else we lose Indonesia." I am sure the Stalinist leaders in America use other words in relation to Indonesia. Why not? If their bourgeoisie is in danger they can always change their terminology. They

> learned to change for many, many years . . .

You will believe that if the Stalinist leaders speak thus, the Social-Democrats do it in the to fight for Indonesia. Paul de revolutionary language to hide "de Vlam" and the ultra-left pled" objections against our slo-

> brothers against the imperialists. I repeat: We and we only

this! Only the parties of the

Nol Bose open market.

THE EVC OVER TO A MASS LEARN FROM US! to the patience of our brothers STRIKE 'IN THE INTEREST OF INDONESIA.'" Yes, we do so, and it is our duty! The Stalinist leaders warn same way. And the other groups, laborers. And that is a good against us, as THEY don't want the centrists (those who use a

the Stalinist paper "De Waar-

"It is of no use for the com-

munists (Stalinists) in the EVC

heid" of January 10, 1946:

**MGE FOUR** 

**Time For Action** 

convention.

Big Business.

labor party.

The question of labor political action is one

At the very moment they are meeting in

of the most important problems confronting

the CIO United Automobile Workers at their

Atlantic City, Congress is busy in Washington

wrecking price controls, knifing minimum

wage legislation, and threatening to pass more

stringent anti-strike laws. This is the Congress

elected in 1944 with the aid of the CIO-PAC

and which Murray and Hillman hailed as a

"victory for labor." In their battle with the

corporations during the past few months, the

workers have found out how subservient the

present administration and Congress are to

the Democratic and Republican political ma-

chines of Wall Street? Or will the UAW take

the lead in politics, as it has on the industrial

battleground, and decisively break with com-

pany unionism in politics by championing the

decision themselves, for it is clear that their

present leaders oppose this progressive propos-

al. Although Thomas and Addes criticize Tru-

man and complain about the Gongressional

anti-labor drive, they obviously intend to

pursue the same disastrous course which has

rendered labor politically defenceless before

the onslaught of the corporations and their

Democratic-Republican agents in Washington.

is recognized by the UAW militants. A number

of key locals have introduced resolutions to

the convention urging the formation of /a

This is the time to pass from talk to action.

The need for genuine labor political action

Reuther is skating all around the issue.

The UAW delegates will have to make that

cause of an independent labor party?

Will American labor remain shackled to

-Leon Trotsky

Published in the interests of the

War Department is delegated to whitewash THE MILITANT the Army's caste system. The board will lay down a smokescreen to cover continuation of officer privileges.

> Only a committee composed of men chosen from among the GI leaders of the protest demonstrations will really represent the soldiers. Only such a committee could expose the vicious caste system and formulate a plan for Army reform satisfactory to the GIs. Only such a committee could command confidence and re-, spect from the veterans and labor movement.

> mand, it is clear that the board set up by the

## **Role Of UNO**

As the United Nations Organization meets on March 25 in New York City, the whole apparatus of capitalist propaganda is again engaged in depicting this association of bandits as an "instrument of peace and international collaboration" that will bring "world prosperity" and prevent the outbreak of a Third World War.

There is no limit to the falsehoods employed by Wall Street propagandists to sell the UNO to the public. But events of the past few months have begun to lay bare the real character of the organization.

Instead of promoting peace, it can now be seen that UNO is one of the principal instruments wielded by Anglo-American imperialism in its campaign to prepare public opinion for World War III.

Instead of a "free association of peaceloving nations" UNO is simply the facade behind which a diplomatic bloc is being formed for war against the Soviet Union. In this respect it is performing the same function as the old League of Nations.

Whoever covers up this infamous role of the UNO thereby renders aid to the warmongers. But this is precisely the role Stalin assumes today.

In an interview with an Associated Press correspondent on March 22, Stalin cynically painted up the UNO as "a valuable instrument of preservation of peace and international security." and declared that he attributes "great importance" to the United Nations Organization.

By these pronouncements Stalin is aiding the imperialists in deceiving the people into thinking that UNO can halt the march toward war. Stalin is diverting attention from the fact that UNO is a forum for whipping up public sentiment against the USSR.

Stalin hopes thereby to make another deal with the imperialist powers. By this policy he is paving the way for World War III just as he helped pave the way for the outbreak of World 1 War II.

The United Nations Organization is completely under the domination of the Wall Street and London brigands. It can no more guarantee peace or protect the Soviet Union from assault by world imperialism than could the old League of Nations.

## Strikebreaker O'Dwyer

Buried in the columns of the March 20 N. Y. Times was a belated admission by Herbert L. Pfaff, area manager of the Solid Fuels Administration, which serves to expose the strikebreaking conspiracy against the tugboat men conducted last month by President Truman

THE MILITANT



"I just got the most wonderful idea for world peace — and it's so SIMPLE! All you have to do is corner the atom market."



THE PARIS COMMUNE, By V. I. | universal suffrage and served at | ize its tasks and the methods of Lenin; International Publish- working men's wages. This gov- fulfilling them. There were no ers, 1934; 64 pp., 20 cents. Seventy-five years ago, on "under which the economic liber- the proletariat, no strong trade

March 18, 1871, the first work- ation of labor can proceed." ers' state in history, the Paris "The Commune is the first at-Commune, rose out of the Fran- tempt of a proletarian revolu- Commune lacked was the time, co-Prussian war. For seventy- tion to 'break up' the bourgeois the free time to look around and one days the Commune recorded state machinery and constitutes undertake the fulfilment of its magnificent achievements which the political form, 'at last discov- program. It hardly started workforecast the road for all future ered,' which can and must TAKE ing, when the Versailles govworking-class revolutions. It was THE PLACE of the broken ma- ernment, supported by the encrushed by the armies of the chine." (State and Revolution). | tire bourgeoisie, opened military in brutal revenge.

"The Paris Commune," by V. stances, continued the work of time to think seriously of any-I. Lenin, is a compilation of the Commune and confirmed the thing else.' speeches and articles, with ex- historic analysis made by the

nomic emancipation of the toil- It issued a decree turning over pathy wherever there is a protheir owners. LESSONS TO LEARN

Lenin urged careful examina- "For the victory of the social re- in its hands for over two months, tion of the Commune. "In de- volution," said Lenin in an ar- the spectacle of the heroic strugriving lessons for ourselves," he ticle of 1911 memorializing the gle of the proletariat and its declared in 1905, "... we must Commune, "at least two condi- sufferings after defeat-all this

ernment Lenin called the form serious political organizations of unions and cooperative societies. "But the main thing which the

"The memory of the fighters of the Commune," Lenin continued, "is not only honored by the

Many actions of the Commune workers of France but by the the Commune, and again and again and again pointed out its vital teach-abolished a standing army, re- for any local or narrow national placing it by the arming of the aim, but for the freedom of toilpeople; it abolished the system ing humanity, of all the downof fines by which workers had trodden and oppressed. As the tion," he wrote; "the cause of been penalized by the bosses; it foremost fighter for social reabolished night work in bakeries. volution, the Commune has sym-

> to the control of the workers all letariat struggling and suffering. factories abandoned or closed by "The picture of its life and death, the sight of a workers' The Commune, however, prov- government which seized the ed to be historically premature. capital of the world and kept it



SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 1946

Packing Union Forms Vet Committee Since we aim to give publicity in The Militant to the formation, activity and plans of union veterans' committees, we welcome reports from our readers containing such information. 'The latest report to come to our attention is contained in the March 8 Packinghouse Worker, official publication of the United Packinghouse Workers of America, CIO.

The Veterans' Committee of the UPWA District 3 Conference, held recently, submitted a report which was published in the Packinghouse Worker and should be of interest to worker veterans and union militants.

The objective of the UPWA Veterans' Committee, states the report, is to assist veterans in solving their varied problems and "to mobilize in an organized fashion the strength and influence of the veteran behind progressive and constructive legislation."

The Committee urges the local unions to "also recognize the extra problems confronting their members who are war veterans" and take steps to implement the general program of the UPWA Veterans Committee.

The majority of the local unions in District 3, continues the report, have established active and functioning local veterans' committees that "are proving to be of real value to the veteran and to the union as well.'

"The need of such local veterans' committees is so great and their work so important" that the conference committee recommends that the international office take the necessary steps to make the establishment of local committees mandatory.

#### Step In Right Direction

The Committee points out that the veteran is "a unionist, who, because of his military service, has accumulated problems other than those generally encountered by the non-vet."

A proper approach to their problems must be made if the full participation of the veterans in union work is to be obtained. To achieve this, the Committee suggests "an exchange of ideas and experiences . between the veterans' committees of the various local committees."

Generally speaking, the UPWA Veterans' Committee report discloses a good step in the right direction. It shows a genuine concern for the special needs of the veterans, points out some of their most pressing problems and calls for the initial move in organizing the veterans, that is, formation of veteran committees in the local unions.

However, the UPWA Veterans' Committee does not point the way beyond the usual type of small local veterans' committees. It gives no indication of the next step toward organization of the worker-veterans on a broader scale.

Such broadening of union veteran committees was accomplished in some places during the recent nation-wide strike wave. The most significant development occurred in Detroit during the General Motors strike. There the United Auto Workers organized a city-wide mass committee composed of UAW-GM veterans, which proved of great value in blocking the corporation's attempts to use veterans against the union.

The Buffalo Industrial Union Council recently called for formation of an area-wide, mass veterans' committee. This organization was projected to embrace not only CIO union veterans, but also other veterans sympathetic to the labor movement.

Through such a veterans' organization the political strength of the veterans can be most effectively mobilized. It will make the "exchange of ideas and experiences" possible on a wide scale. Such a veteran's organization will block all attempts to isolate the veterans from the rest of the union movement and will be a powerful labor ally.

tracts from longer writings, ana- genius of Marx.' lyzing the lessons of this first REVOLUTIONARY workers government. Lenin, co- CHARACTER leader with Trotsky of the October Revolution of 1917, gave careful study to the history of in close to the work of the whole world,

ings. "The cause of the Commune

is the cause of the social revoluthe complete political and ecoers. It is the cause of the proletariat of the whole world. And in this sense it is immortal."

capitalist counter-revolution and Lenin pointed out that "The operations against Paris. The a hundred thousand of its men Russian Revolutions of 1905 and Commune had to think first of and women murdered or exiled 1917 in different surroundings all of defense. Eight up to the and under different circum- very end, May 21-28, it had no

FOUGHT FOR ALL

The eyes of all American labor are centered upon the UAW convention. If the delegates there would call upon the CIO to convoke immediately a national conference for the launching of a labor party and for the running of labor candidates in the 1946 Congressional elections, this action would arouse a mighty response from the rest of organized labor.

## **Army Reform**

Insistent demands for democratic reform of the Army were voiced by tens of thousands of GIs during their world-wide demonstrations protesting the slowdown in demobilization. The high point in soldier criticism of the Army's caste system came in the mass meeting at the Trocadero in Paris on January 13.

There, more than 500 soldiers elected a "GI Liberation Committee" and approved a list of demands which included abolition of officer messes, clubs and other special privileges for the Brass Hats.

The "GI Liberation Committee's" program contained many key demands which had been expressed by GIs throughout the Army.

If the War Department were seriously interested in reforming the Army it would have paid close attention to the program advocated by the Trocadero meeting and chosen men elected to GI committees during the demonstrations to form a board of investigation.

Instead of this the War Department has exiled such GI spokesmen to Okinawa, the Siberia of the armed forces, and taken other harsh measures of reprisal against them.

In place of a representative committee chosen from the ranks, Secretary of, War Patterson has appointed a handpicked board composed of four former officers and two former enlisted men. This board will study relations between officers and men in the Army and "determine what changes, if any, should be made" in Army practices.

At the very same time that the War Department makes this gesture toward reform of the caste system, actions by high ranking Brass Hats show just how far they intend to go in making any real changes in the Army set-up.

Lieut.-Gen. John C. H. Lee, commander in the Mediterranean theatre, imposed a rigid censorship which extended even to soldiers' letters to the Mediterranean edition of Stars and Stripes. Censorship of Army newspapers in other parts of the world has been intensified.

Furthermore in recent months Brass Hats have imposed a more autocratic discipline on soldiers. Privileges for officers have increased since V-J Day.

In view of these actions by the high com-

and Tammany Mayor O'Dwyer on behalf of the tugboat operators.

Here is the tell-tale declaration. "Loss of local receipts of coal during the tugboat strike last month was much less than had been reported at the time by some sources. Mr. Pfaff declared. He said that increased rail shipments and trucking from Jersey City had been responsible for the delivery to this city of 90. per cent of its normal supply of anthracite during the strike. The other 10 per cent was made up by increased shipments within five days after the strike ended."

. The people of New York well remember how O'Dwyer attempted to arouse a lynch spirit against the 3,000 striking tugboat men by picturing the city as on the verge of "starvation" and "freezing to death" because the tugs were not operating.

In response to his strikebreaking appeal, Truman stepped in, "seized" the boats, and ordered the men back to work. This move failed because the strikers refused to return without any settlement of their demands.

In desperation O'Dwyer then tried to smash the strikers' resistance by shutting down the entire city on the ground that coal supplies were in danger of being completely choked off Now Pfaff's statement proves, as The Militant insisted at the time, that O'Dwyer's edict was nothing but an out-and-out strikebreaking action designed to panic the people and turn the heat on the tugboat men.

This was obvious even at that time, when public protest forced O'Dwyer to revoke his order the day after it was issued. There were no dire effects except for the operators who had to agree to arbitration with the tugboat workers.

In these anti-labor moves O'Dwyer naturally received eager cooperation from the big business press, the monied interests and laborbalters. They understood that this Democratic politician was acting on their behalf.

All these developments underscore the crime committed against the workers by those labor leaders who were responsible for putting this servant of the bosses in City Hall. Foremost among them are the heads of the Communist (Stalinist) Party and the Stalinist-dominated American Labor Party who opposed the running of an independent labor candidate for Mayor and urged the workers to support O'Dwyer as the "labor-progressive coalition" candidate.

As a result of this sordid Tammany-Stalinist deal, the New York City workers have been saddled for the next four years with a Mayor who in his first three months of office has claim to the title of "America's No. 1 Strikebreaker."

imitate, not its errors (they did tions are necessary; a high de- has raised the spirit of millions not seize the Bank of France, velopment of productive forces of workers, aroused their hopes they did not undertake an of- and the preparedness of the and attracted their sympathies fensive against Versailles, they proletariat. But in 1871 both of to the side of socialism. had no clear program, etc.), but these conditions were absent. "The thunder of the cannon its practically successful meas- French capitalism was still in Paris awakened the most ures, which indicate the correct slightly developed, and France backward strata of the proletari-

was at that time mainly a coun- at from deep slumber and evpath." First of the Commune's suc- try of petty bourgeoisie (artisans, erywhere gave impetus to the cessful measures was the estab- peasents, shopkeepers, etc.) growth of revolutionary Socialist lishment of people's councils, the "On the other hand there was propaganda. This is why the forerunners of the Soviets. These no workers' party, THERE WAS cause of the Commune did not councils were a new kind of gov- NO PREPAREDNESS AND NO die. It lives to the present day erning body, combining both ex- LONG TRAINING OF THE in every one of us." ecutive and legislative functions. WORKING CLASS which in the Reviewed by The members were elected by mass, did not even clearly visual- |

**Congressmen At Work** 

Ruth Johnson

Robert Ramspeck recently spoke feelingly of the oppressive working conditions suffered by Wall Street's Congressmen. He ought to know. He was in the House of Representatives 19 years, three of them as Democratic whip. Finally he could stand it no longer and last January 1 he resigned "because of the low pay."

A. Congressman only gets \$10,000 a year, plus an odd \$3,-000 for expenses. With pay so miserably low, it's common practice is to put a near relative on

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the pay roll. This brings in another \$4,500 or so, but it's still Retirement system which apwoefully inadequate. As Ram- plies to your letter carrier-and speck said, "At least half-and in on the same, terms-they were many cases a larger proportion held up to public ridicule by the for his former fellow Congress--of the salary is expended for press and denounced by many men. He recommended to the things incident to holding the citizens?" job. For the usual living expenses This is only a typical instance. he has little left." If the Congressmen hadn't been

Ramspeck painted a touching denounced for trying to get a picture of the hardships and lifetime extension of wages after tribulations of a Congressman: being kicked out of office, they "They are overworked and un- would have been denounced for derpaid. They have no security. something else: "It is always open When they proposed, four years season on Congress. Just let one

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**O'Dwyer: Labor's Friend or** 

Wall Street's Servant

Speaker:

SAM RYAN

Organizer of Bronx Branch, Socialist Workers Party

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that body do a foolish act, and like the hounds after the fox, many people seem to take pleasure in baying at the Congress." Ramspeck is one sly fox who finally gave the public the slip. He took a plushy job as Vice President of the Air Transport Association of America. But he still remembers the tough time he had in office with the public baying at his heels: "Unless you have served in the Congress you cannot understand the terrific pressure to which the members are subjected.'

Ramspeck is now making so much money he can afford to do a little social service work American Management Associa-

tion, where he was explaining these things, that they "encourage Congress to increase its pay." Ramspeck even backed up such a radical idea as an old-age pension-naturally a pension confined to Congressmen only and not extended to the millions of

aged poor people. And on top of this he asked that "each member of the Congress should have an able, well paid assistant"no strings attached on naming the "assistant."

That sounds like a fighting minimum program any Congressman would want to back. Unless, of course, chances look good to pay off in the immediate future with a fat job like Ramspeck's in return for legislative services rendered.



Among the resolutions passed by the CIO Executive Board, which met in Washington, D. C., March 15 and 16, was a condemnation of the recent Jim Crow police terror and brutality unleashed against an entire Negro community in Columbia, Tennessoe. The resolution declares:

"It appears quite clear that the Negro community of that city was forced by threats of an impending lynch mob to take action within their own residences and business for self protection.

"Nevertheless, the State Police authorities embarked upon a course of conduct, resulting in the destruction and devastation of the physical property of the Negro community and followed these activities with mass arrests in complete violation of basic principles of civil rights of Americans.

"This activity reached its high point in the killing of two of the arrested Negroes in the jail house by the police officers themselves."

Pointing out that such terroristic acts against Negroes and other minority groups are also directed against the whole labor movement, the resolution states:

"It is extremely important, therefore, that the Attorney General of the U.S. rise to the very special responsibility imposed on him by these developments and undertake vigorous prosecution of public officials who engage in violations of the Federal Rights Act.'

Pledging the support of the entire CIO, the resolution further declares:

"Our own organization and all others alive to the need for carrying on an active defense of civil rights should make every effort by messages, public meetings and mutual cooperation to make their voices heard by those public officials who have been involved in these incidents or who may be tempted to follow the examples set in these incidents.

"We pledge our every effort to assure proper defense for the persons involved in these arrests and for the rights of the victims of police action."

As a result of the nation-wide protest by labor, Negro and civil rights organizations against the savage Jim Crow atrocities and bloody warfare unleashed on this segregated community, the 101 Negroes arrested and held incommunicado were released on March 8 upon payment of \$46,000 bail. Legal measures for their defense are being prepared by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.





The Workers' Forum columns are open to the opinions of the readers of "The Militant". Letters are welcome on any subject of interest to the workers. Keep them short and include your name and address. Indicate if you do not want your name printed.

## AS SEEN IN A FOLLANSBEE, WEST VIRGINIA PICKET SHANTY

Did you ever brave as a steel mill slave The heat from a furnace door, That takes from your soul such a hellish toll That you wish to live no more?

Have you bent your back in the coal mines black

Where de.th plays a winning hand, With gas as his trump and you as his chump Your life to spare or demand?

On a railroad train in the sleet and rain Where lives are cheap as dirt. Have you slipped and fell toward the Jaws of Hell

And escaped to live unhurt?

Soldier Describes

Editor:

however.

thousand dollars!

**Misery in Germany** 

The German workers are suf-

fering great hardships. In Mar-

burg, where I spent 12 days, and

which is a typical small German

town, all the shops were empty,

mostly closed. Beer is nothing but

If you have, then speak for the low and weak Who strike for the cause of right. And in accents strong try to right the wrong Imposed by the force of might.

Tell of those whose hire is to stab and mire The truth in the daily sheets Of the bawdy press in the foul caress Of the earth's exalted cheats.

For the poison pen in the hands of "men" Who for gold their honor sell, Is a sneaking dart in the worker's heart From the fangs of capital.

In no other way can the masters slay The rights of the working man, For the trusting mind is so often blind To the guilt of press and pen.

So the steel mill man and the mining clan And the trades of all allies, Should in hate unite and the "free" press

smite. Till it tells the truth or dies.

Socialism And Initiative

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tions instigating the very same

tries to halt? How can anyone

ist power?

world peace."

'ACTION" BY CP

I am one of a number of former members of the Com- third World War which may anmunist Party, who, disillusioned by Stalin's twists and turns, nihilate the human race! recently joined the Trotskyist movement. Every passing day proves anew that the Trot-O-

skvists were right. Under Foster as under Browder, the Communist Party has departed from Marxism. Nevertheless, the Stalinists are doing everything in their power to try to persuade their declining membership and circle of

sympathizers that with the expulsion of Browder, the Communist Party has returned to the principles of Marx and Lenin. This is a complete fraud. The Stalinists are trying to convince their followers that

Browder's "revisionism" was his own deformed brain-child. They want to cover up the truth that Stalin, not Browder, was the author of the policies for which Browder is "eviled, and that as long as Stalin lays down the line, there will be new betrayals of Marxism.

#### WHAT STALIN SAID

When Hitler attacked the So-World Peace," when that temviet Union, it was Stalin who porary and always unstable coalilooked for new imperialist allies, instead of turning to the working class of the world for aid. Stalin declared, in his speech on the 24th Anniversary of the October Revolution (Nov. 6, 1941):

workers and employes, there are labor parties, there is a parlia-

has abolished all these institutions in Germany.' Thus Stalin painted Anglo-

groes from taking the Pittsburgh Unlike Hitler Germany, the Soplease seal my paper. If they put the enslaved peoples of Europe

Has Stalin changed his method? Has he urged the Communist Parties now to fight for socialism, and bring working class rade Charles Jackson's column, aid to the Soviet Union? Far from it! He and Foster, who like Browder before him only echoes Stalin, want to use the workers again as pawns in the same futile game of power politics.

No party which deserts the leges." fight for socialism is a Marxist party. No party that deserts the Herb Cappy, organizer of the newly formed Tacoma Branch, fight for socialism, can truly fight for the defense of the So- sent us this interesting item: "We placed The Militant on two viet Union as a workers' state. That is why I left the Commu- newsstands - the first time in nist Party and joined the Social- the history of this city. We gave ist Workers Party, the only party each stand 5 copies, and inin America today which has a

program for achieving socialism. stands were completely sold out. I urge other Communist Party Therefore, be sure to increase our members to contrast that pro- bundle order this week." gram with Stalin's and Foster's. war-drive that Stalin futilely if you are revolutionary social-Libby Jones of Buffalo writes: ists, you must join the Trot-"Am enclosing a batch of new

speak of "Big 3 Unity to Preserve | skyist movement. subscriptions. One of the one-MURRAY BURNS year subs was sold on Saturday New York City



agreements implemented the crushing of the Italian revolu-Party branches this week indition, the British government's cate a diversification of literaatrocities in Greece and India, ture sales which is very good. the continuation of Yankee im-From H. Baker of Seattle we perialist penetration in Europe have this letter:

and Latin America, the setting "From January 1 to February up of the UNO which is only a 27 we sold \$29.65 worth of literatool of Anglo-American imperial- ture from the stand in our office activity.

and by distributions. We sold The Stalinist statement calls six copies each of The Revoluthe Churchill plan a scheme to tion Betrayed and The First Five "bolster the rotten British im- Years of the Communist Interperial system on the one hand, national. Four copies of the to crush democracy in Europe, pamphlet A Practical Program on the other. It is above all a to Kill Jim Crow were sold at our scheme to save the capitalist distribution at the time of the system as it heads into deeper Stalinist rally for F. B. Davis, crises, contradictions, and antago- an independent Negro candinisms." True—but what do Stalin date." week on all assignments.

A letter from Akron also indiand these self-styled Marxists propose to do about it? "Re-es- cates a step-up in the work of tablish Big 3 Unity, the key to literature distribution. They write:

"We have met with some success in selling literature recent-Foster himself, speaking at the ly. Last week a veteran friend Lenin memorial rally in Madison of one of our members bought Square Garden, January 15, 1946, J P. Cannon's History of Ameriadmitted the Stalinist reasons can Trotskyism, and Socialism on for reconstituting the Commun- Trial. In visiting Militant subist Party: "Only with such a scribers for renewals, we have party can the people check (my sold quite a few assorted pamphemphasis-MB) American imper- lets. Two of us visited a sympaialism and be sure that the Unit- thizer and sold her the only four lies in the words and deeds of ed States will follow a policy of pamphlets we had with us. Yes-Stalin himself. Stalinism was the world peace, develop a solid col-source of the "revisionism" laboration of the Big 3 powers visited a Stalinist sympathizer



"The Negro Struggle."

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popular pamphlets and be alert As reported on other occasions, one of the most popular for potential party recruits. features in The Militant is Com-

"There is every indication that the branch will throw itself into the renewal campaign with the One of the Florida Negro pasame energy that was shown in pers, The Tampa Bulletin, has the last sub drive. While we are

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reprinted three of his columns going to stress one year renewals. this past month. These included we won't scorn fifty-centers the columns entitled: "Support either." The Strikers," "Why We Must Battle Anti-Semitism," and "Mr.

Fred Martin of Milwaukee Rockefeller and His Negro Colsent us the results of their renewal campaign: "We wound up our renewal work having obtained over 40 per cent renewals. We found many of our readers were good working class people employed in varied industries. In addition, there were many veterans, a number of students and entire families and households side of a couple of days both who read and like The Militant."

> . . . One of our enthusiastic subscribers in Paterson sent us the following note: "I am enclosing \$1 for which please send a six month subscription to two of my friends who I am sure would en-

joy reading your paper, The evening to a man who was sit-Militant, as well as I do." ting on the steps of our head-We hope many of our subscribquarters when we came to open ers follow the above example. up. He had read our leaflet and

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The Militant when we had a distribution at the Foster meet-George Weissman of Youngsing of the Communist (Stalintown writes: "Enclosed are five ist) Party several weeks before. more subs from strikers at Tim-The leaflet was the one explainken in Canton, Ohio. The boys ing the Stalinist change of line. feel that the company is licked, Letters from Socialist Workers | He was so impressed with The and although they haven't col-Militant that at his very first lected any pay for some time, opportunity he felt he had to they feel they can spend 50 cents come up to the headquarters and for a six-month sub for somemeet us and get a subscription." thing as worthwhile as The Militant. You would be tickled pink

Many of the branches have to see how well known The Milisent in reports on their renewal tant is among these pickets."



**OUR PROGRAM:** 

1. Full employment and job security for all workers and veterans!

A sliding scale of hours! Reduce the hours of work with no reduction in pay!

A rising scale of wages! Increase wages to meet

war was supposed to have been

wild. Sample prices are: \$150 (1,- struction it created, the chaos 500 reichsmark) for one carton and the problems of peace it has of cigarettes. Cameras, good ones, left, they are naturally begincome as high as \$2,000. And that's ning to wonder and ask questions not a typing mistake-it's two about the capitalist system.

In Berlin, even on the out- sation with one of these peoskirts there is plenty of dam- ple, a small business man, and age. I haven't seen the center of naturally being a firm believer town, which was hit even worse. of true Marxism, I got on the In Potsdam and San Souci, there topic of socialism. During the isn't a single undamaged house left standing.

## **Offers Suggestions** To Improve 'Militant'

Editor: the capitalist newspapers in size talist system their discovery will as well as ideas), for all of which be used only for destruction, Stabbed in Attack the present form is not quite ade- even to the extent of destroying

quate. if The Militant of the dominating imperialist expands, the "Congressmen at powers for world markets, great-Work" column should have a siser spheres of influence, and of ter column alongside, titled some- exploitation-the only method thing like "The Congressional by which capitalism can survive. Record" which would have some These men worked with great brief record of the carcers of fury to achieve this wonderful discovery and realize now that Congressmen mentioned-This would give some factual it will be used only as a weapon strength to the present column, to bolster Wall Street's conquests. whose aim seems to be ridicul-I explained to him that under ing Congress in a very lax manworld socialism this great disner. Don't get me wrong. I think covery as well as past and future The Milant is a swell paper; discoveries and inventions would but I also think there is room not be suppressed so that the coal barons, the power trusts and for improvement. L. Miller the oil magnates could still cling Baltimore, Md. to their means of enormous

Due to the fact people of all developed for the benefit of all be bought on the black market, Freedoms which the imperialist centive and initiative to go forward. The black market is running fought for, the horror and de-

Just recently I had a conver-

conversation the old question was

**A** Soldier ward, under socialism."

tiative, the incentive to go for-

question, and this is what I want I suggest that The Militant be to point out. I explained to him Courier, so I woud advise you to made into tabloid form, like PM that the capitalist system has or the Daily Worker. This would so deteriorated that it answers have the advantage of making this question itself. The great the paper more compact, easier scientists of the world today fear chance; they will lynch me at to handle when reading, easier greatly what they have brought at once here without a trial. to show to prospective subscrib- forth. Several of these men have ers, and presenting the appear- made statements to that effect. ance of a real newspaper (which what is the reason for this fear? could give serious competition to They know that under the capi-

asked by him, "What about ini-It occurred to me to use the ers Party branch here at alldiscovery of the means to harness atomic energy, to answer his These southerners stop the Ne-

# in New York .

Editor:

and there is no Socialist Workonly me alone in my home town.

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World"

Speaker:

John G. Wright

# civilization, because of the greed By Anti-Semites



cold-blooded murder of the Fer-

guson boys. It is so sad. I wish I could be there at those mass meetings to help fight such dirty acts. And to think it happened

I am a Negro in the deep south, **A** Subscriber

## tion.'

#### Which Capitalism Now Stifles profits, but would be utilized and "To cover up their reactionary blackguard essence, the Hitlerrelationships." walks of life have been bitterly mankind. In the socialist world ites are branding the Anglocolored water. Everything could disillusioned about the Four man would truly be given the in- American internal regime as a plutocratic regime. But in England and the United States there are elementary democratic liber-Reading, Pa. ties, there are trade unions of

ment, whereas the Hitler regime

American imperialism as "progressive," and Browder dutifully repeated his words. Stalin said more: "If to this is added the fact that recently the United States decided to grant a billion dollar loan to the Soviet Union. it can be confidently said that the coalition of the United States. Great Britain and the USSR is a real thing which is growing and which will continue to grow . . . viet Union and its allies are waging a war for the liberation of

me in jail I would not have a and the USSR from Hitler Germany. Therefore, all honest people must support the armies of the USSR. Great Britain, and the Mississippi other allies, as armies of libera-

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The key to Browderism, then,

## WHY I LEFT THE CP

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"revisionism" Early in March, in the Bensonwhich took place not only in hurst section of Brooklyn, Irwin America, but in Communist Par-Berman, a 17 year old Jewish ties throughout the world.

British and American capitalboy, and two of his friends were ism, as soon as victory over Gerwalking down the street minding their own business. They man imperialism was certain, By telegrams of protest to Presiwere attacked by a gang of young, anti-Semitic hoodlums. gang threw stones and cried, "Get the dirty Jew base the USSR and its "allies," Stalin drive!

changed his tactics.

He gave the signal to the Berman and his two friends Communist Parties outside the decided to get out of the way as USSR. to criticize the same capisoon as possible. However, since the gang was out for blood the talists whom he had previously called peace-loving, progressive Jewish boys weren't able to move fast enough. The result: Irwin and democratic. He is not "re-

Berman was stabbed-his right verting to Marxism," not calling ruinous policy. He told the Comlung was punctured and it was for international socialism, but necessary for him to be hospital- only using the Communist Par- viet Union to support Angloized for a week. He was on the ties to pressure Anglo-American American imperialism without imperialism into halting prepacritical list for two days. , rations for war against the Soviet

Both the Police Department Union. and the principal at the school Stalin now declares, to explain that Berman attends, have atthis new tactic, that "the capitaltempted to whitewash the inciist system of world economy condent by saying that both the mother and son believe that the

ceals elements (my emphasis-MB) of crisis and war, that the stabbing was accidental. development of world capitalism I believe that this attack and does not follow a steady and even whitewash must be recognized as course, but proceeds through an example of the "justice" orises and catastrophes." With working for those with fascist inthis new pronouncement, Stalin clinations. It must be fought needed whipping-boys to take the blame for his previous line, We must be more militant in and different spokesmen to apour fight against the fascist eleplaud the new one.

#### ments that continue to commit FOSTER ECHOES STALIN

these crimes against minority In the United States, Browder, P. Carlton the public defender of the old **Trotskyist Youth Group** line, was kicked out for having said what Stalin said in 1941-1945. And Foster is chosen to echo Ask Your Shopmate Stalin in 1946, by threatening Anglo-American imperialism. To Subscribe to What kind of a Marxist is Fos-The Militant ter? We have a good example of his thinking — and the thinking of other leading Stalinists today PHILADELPHIA - in a recent statement by the

National Secretariat of the Com "Soviet Russia In munist Party. The day after Churchill beat The Post-War the war-drums in Fulton, Missouri, the Daily Worker (March 6, 1946) ran the Party state-

ment under a headline: "DE-FEAT ANGLO-U.S. IMPERIAL-Friday, March 29 IST WAR DRIVE - RESTORE BIG 3 UNITY TO PRESERVE WORLD PEACE." Associate Editor of

What a far cry from the pre-'Fourth International' cise and careful analyses made by Marx and Lenin! How can "Big **Militant Labor Forum** 3 Unity" be "restored" when in fact it never existed? When two 1303 W. Girard Ave. of the three are imperialist na-

who works in the plant with him and help build up an effective and she bought the six pamph-United Nations Organization." How does Foster propose to lets that we had with us."

Jack Miller from Philadelphia check the onrush of American imperialism's drive toward war? sends us an interesting report, part of which reads:

"It is our impression that a turned their diplomatic guns dent Truman, the representative great many workers, incensed by against the Soviet Union. And of the same American imperialthe shameless role which the capwith the growing friction between ism which is organizing the war talist parties are playing in de-

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fense of company interests in The Second Imperialist War proved the futility of Stalin's strikes, are seriously thinking about organizing a labor party. previous attempts to prevent an Reflecting this attitude, 25 copattack on the Soviet Union by ies of the pamphlet American frantic diplomatic deals with the Workers Need a Labor Party capitalist powers. Then Stalin were sold at a recent meeting plunged deeper into the same called by the local Strike Strategy Committee of the United munist Parties outside the So-Electrical Workers to protest the police terror and violence in the General Electric strike." reserve. And now the Soviet Union, more vulnerable than ever,

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SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 1946

'MILITANT' FUND GOES UP TO \$1,617 IN WEEK

# Reach Ten Percent \$15,000 Of \$15,000 Goal

#### By Justine Lang **Campaign Director**

At the close of the first week of the Militant Sustaining fund drive, a total of \$1,616.94 has been sent in to give our campaign a bang-up start, with 10 per cent of our \$15,000 goal achieved. Of this nearly half was sent in even before the campaign

officially opened March 15, most successful campaign and we by a number of Socialist intend to distribute and fill the collection lists very rapidly." Workers Party branches that From Toledo, Louise Hunter "jumped the gun."

writes: "Please send us 50 more In addition to Rochester, which Militant collection lists. We inhas already completed its quota, tend to distribute them among special mention must be made of our close sympathizers." the achievement of the San

In aiming for our total goal by Francisco branch. San Fran-June 15, we want to call to the cisco has the fifth highest quota attention of the branches and to meet, \$1,000. At the end of Militant readers, the necessity of the first week of the campaign raising a minimum of \$1,000 a It has sent in \$445. attaining week. In order to do this, we recthereby 45 per cent of its quota. ommend that each branch de-

Duncan Conway, director of termine what its own weekly the Local New York campaign quota should be and aim to meet fund committee, announced this that amount consistently. This week that at a meeting attended in turn will guarantee the reachby all branch directors, detailed ing of \$1,000 per week nationans were mapped out for the ally. compaign.

We are putting a weight of "The New York Militant fund \$1616.94 on the scale this week. sampaign", he said, "will be a Let's all rally behind the worker joint campaign to raise not only swinging the hammer and really \$6,500 for The Militant, but an sound off!

additional sum not yet established, which will be used for Local New York expansion purposes. We hope that a total of \$5,000 will be raised for these combined purposes," Comrade Conway informed us

that special stress will be laid on circulation of collection Msts. Plans are now under way to organize several city-wide so-

cials. In addition to this, there will be branch socials and house parties at which funds will be raised for the Militant fund campaign.

A former member of the Socialist Labor Party pledged \$75 to the Militant campaign. This sympathizer declared that unlike academic interest in the problems facing the workers, the Socialist

Workers Party and its organ, The Militant, are actively engaged in fighting for the interests of the working class. For that reason I am proud to help sustain this important" revolutionary socialist paper.'

YOUTH OVER-SUBSCRIBES Grace Wayne of the New York Trotskyist Youth Group writes: "In a letter sent last week, I stated that the New York Trotskyist Youth Group hoped to surpass their \$50 quota as soon as possible, as we realized the ment.

"At our recent membership

## **Bronx Meeting Protests Murder Of Fergusons**

BRONX, N. Y., Mar. 24.-Despite inclement weather, over 100 Negro and white workers attended a meeting at Elks Hall, held under the auspices of the Bronx

Branch of the Socialist Workers Party, to protest the Jim Crow murder of two Negro veterans, Charles and Alfonso Ferguson, the SLP which "has merely an shot down by a Freeport cop on February 5.

Comrade Louise Simpson related the story of the Ferguson murder. Reverend Hawkins and John N. Griggs, Jr., representing neighborhood Bronx groups, supported the action of the meeting in condemning the vicious Jim Crow policies of the administra-

resenting the Trotskyist Youth white, joining to fight vicious discrimination in the schools, in

27,000 votes for F. Benjamin. David Weiss, a veteran stated: money was badly needed. "The Ives-Quinn law against dismeeting the Militant campaigne crimination has not been apund was greeted with wonderful plied by the State Commission enthusiasm, both by comrades against Discrimination in this and sympathizers. We have al- case. What we must press for is ready received \$130 in pledges. a public investigation. Only the Seattle who poll a maximum of Our comrades and friends realize united action of all sections of 7,000 votes. Thus at least 20,000 what The Militant means to the labor movement, the veter- white votes were cast for Davis. them, what it's fighting for, and ans, Negro and other minority Of these, the overwhelming prowhy it must continue fighting. organizations can effectively put portion were undoubtedly cast We want to do everything in a stop to the spreading antiour power to help make this a Negro terror."



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## Youth Crowd Harlem Meeting **To Protest Ferguson Murders**

NEW YORK. Mar. 15-A capacity crowd of young workers the wanton murder of Charles and Alfonso Ferguson in Freeport, L. I.

All seats were filled and many policeman Romeika, who has been whitewashed by an alloung people were standing, as white jury. Robertson then ex-Sandy Robertson, organizer of plained what action has already the Trotskyist Youth Group. been taken by the Socialist opened the meeting. He told how Workers Party to publicize and he two Negro brothers had been protest the murders and frameslain, a third wounded, and the ourth railroaded to prison by up

Dick Guerrero, 17-year-old worker, emphasized youth's stake **Newark** Meeting in the Ferguson case. He cited the bitter discrimination faced **Hits Murder Of** by Negro and Jewish youth in schools and on the job. Tamar Fish, President of Club **Ferguson Boys** organization, spoke of the cam-

By Bob Blaine NEWARK, N. J., Mar. 17-

to protest to Governor Dewey: Over 130 Negro and white wrote letters and telegrams to workers assembled at the munity struck a strong blow against racial discrimination Thirteenth Avenue Presbythe New York State Legislature. job opportunities and in govern- at the polls last Tuesday, March 12 when they rolled up terian Church here today to "Now we know that Dewey and 27,000 votes for F. Benjamino-Davis, independent Negro EMY! This should be the slogan candidate for City Council. Although Davis was not elect-

with applause.

men, a society of plenty, a social-

ist society." The hall resounded

and a resolution unanimously

**Tacoma SWP** 

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Proof of the growing influ-

the formation of a new SWP

branch in Tacoma, Washington,



### By V. Grey

Why We Should Study Marxism

The economics of Karl Marx is a science. Marxian economics is in fact the only scientific study of capitalism. It is the only complete and correct explanation of how the bosses make their profits.

But no working man or woman should think just because it is a science that he can't hope to learn it. The worker can learn the most important elements of this science a thousand times easier than his educated

This is so first because Marxism is an honest study of the system we live by. Second because it is a revolutionary study, and third, because it is a study of the everyday things that working people know more about than anybody else: the factory, where they spend all their working hours; the machinery, which they become almost a part of; and the products which they, and only they, produce.

Marx proves that capitalism is doomed-sentenced by its own laws. He shows how capitalism is different from other systems in the past. And the working poor today are entirely different from, even though they are the descendants of the ancient slaves. They have the possibility of running the world to benefit the majority. The ancient slaves, for all their rebellions, never had that chance.

Many people remark, and most people believe, that \* We've always had capitalism." But this is not so. Capitalism had a beginning and it's going to have an ending. Again these same people say, "Well, even before capitalism, there were always rich and poor. Doesn't the Bible say, "The poor ye have always with you'?"

No. The "poor" did not always exist. There is no record of class society beyond 6,000 years ago. In other words we workers have a background of oppression only about 300 generations long. A good bit longer than the snooty family trees of the capitalist aristocrats, to be ure, but very short indeed compared to the age of man. Our remoter ancestors lived hundreds of thousands

of years without being divided into rich and poor. We and students, Negro and white, tonight met at the Harlem might call them all "poor," because they didn't have good headquarters of the Socialist Workers Party to protest clothing or regular meals-not to mention limousines and servants. But they were also all equally "rich" because none called another "boss."

Our ancestors in Europe, Asia and Africa lived at one ime or another very much like the American Indian lived a few generations ago. Many African tribes still preserve the remains of this kind of life, where the European and American capitalists have not battered it away.

### Equality Under Primitive Communism

In this form of society there was an equality and spirit of fellow feeling that disappeared as humanity progressed to the stage of producing more goods, and it became possible for one man to get a little more at the expense of many others.

For the primitive communism (you could call it that) Equality, an interracial youth of early man was based on scarcity. People were compelled to help each other to live. When they advanced paign which they had conducted to a higher stage, they paid for the advance with social in the Ferguson case. Club Equalinequality. ity sent a delegation to Albany

Now after 6,000 years of accumulation and newer systems of production, we have built enough factories and developed enough technique for everybody to have every-But no official action resulted. thing he needs and more. But again we will be compelled to work together, not only in operating the factories, and protest the Jim Crow murder of the state government will do building them, as we do now-but in running them ourselves, if we want to enjoy the full benefits of factory production.

**A** Southern Reader Tells How She Subscribed To 'Militant'

#### Editor:

I received your letter. You wanted to know how I came to learn of your paper. I will gladly tell you.

You see, I love to read. A friend of mine borrowed a book from me, and when she returned it to me she had the book wrapped up in your paper. I saw the headlines the candidacy of Davis. of the paper and I put it away.

When I got time that night I looked over my paper. I got the address and sent you my subscription. My friend the independent candidate of the had told me about this paper, but I had always let it slip Negro people, the SWP stated: my mind when I was at her home.

I know I am going to like my paper, for she likes it of course. We poor people here in the South don't get Republicans, are the common enemy of both organized labor and such papers as you in the North. the Negro people. Sincerely yours.

ed, the vote cast was an impressive show of strength.

ficials — once more betraying labor - lined up the labor move- | ment, either behind the Democrat Meyers or the Republican mayor, instead of uniting the ranks of labor behind the indeby white workers mobilized in

pendent Negro candidate. support of the independent can-Davis in turn made little atdidate of the Negro community empt to mobilize labor support by the CIO Council and other in back of his candidacy. Had union bodies, the Seattle branch of the Socialist Workers Party, he centered his campaign on winning over the labor moveand the Stalinists.

SEATTLE, Wash., Mar. 15 - The Seattle Negro com-

ment by raising the issue of The strong showing in support class solidarity between white of F. Benjamin Davis could have. and Negro workers, he would been converted into full victory have been able to win many more and election if he had received while workers' votes. united support from the entire

labor movement here. As the SWP explained before the elec-**Thousands Fired** tions, it was the elementary duty of all organized labor to support **As Packers Plot** In a letter to all Seattle union bodies, calling on them to back

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**To Raise Prices** Big Business and its political By Leigh Ray agents, the Democrats and the (Special to The Militant)

CHICAGO, Mar. 22 -Thousands of workers were laid off last week and working hours for many others slashed to a minimum, as the nation's biggest packing plants here joined the National Association of Manufacturers' at- ment, has intensified discriminatack on price controls.

cent hourly wage increase won by the CIO United Packinghouse Workers. Local unions of the UPWA are calling noon mass meetings to protest the lay-offs, and the reduction of working hours from 48 and 54 to as low as the minimum guaranteed work-week of 36 hours. They are also demanding retention of price-controls on food,

clothing and rent. The union is exposing the packers' lie that "black market operators get all the livestock." To kill and prepare all the animals processed by even a single one of the "Big Four" plants in a single week, every block in every town and city of the country would have to employ black market butchers. The profithungry meat barons are simply spreading this lie in an attempt to force removal of all priceceilings.

But most of the top union ofbe relied on to take action." cialist Workers Party candidate The last speaker, Gloria Wall, the best interests of organized manic elections, pointed out that in the New York 1945 Councildeclared "I speak not only as a representative of the Trotskyist the meeting was called to protest Youth Group, but as a Negro all the manifestations of antiyouth.' Devin, the two candidates for country. She called for a broad Negro terror now sweeping the "Join us," she concluded, "in the struggle for a society of free committee to bring the murder-

er of the Fergusons, Patrolman Romeika, to justice. Lou Horowitz, New Jersey CIO Executive Board member, pledged CIO support. "As long as discrimination exists in any form,'

passed condemning the Ferguson murders and calling for a pubsaid Horowitz, "the fight of the lic investigation committee form-CIO is a losing one." ed by labor, Negro and progres-Troy Jones, a Negro unionist. sive organizations. urged unity of Negro and white

workers to bring an end to Jim Crow. He warned against placing any confidence in capitalist politicians.

"No man can be secure while any man is insecure," said Reverend H. Beecher Jackson, in whose church the meeting was ence of The Militant and the Soheld. He condemned the "Uncle cialist Workers Party in the in-Toms" who attempted to divert dustrial Northwest, has come in the fight against Jim Crow. The Negroes must organize, he pointed out.

The branch plans a series of pub-Speaking for the Socialist lic meetings to which all Mili-Workers Party, Newark organ- tant readers are invited. Discusizer Alan Kohlman exposed as sion groups and informal gathfraudulent the claims that the erings will also be held regularly. Second World War was a "war Until a permanent headquarfor democracy." Military Jim ters can be secured, Militant Crow, sanctioned by the govern- readers interested in the program and activities of the party are tion. Workers of all races must urged to secure information by This action follows by only two organize mass action, said Comaddressing letters or cards to the weeks the payment of the 16- rade Kohlman, to strike back Socialist Workers Party, P. O. against Jim Crow terror. Box 1079, Tacoma, Washington

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Capitalism was the highest stage of man up to a couple of generations ago. With its factory system of production it accomplished miracles that put the seven wonders of the world to shame. Under its sway people were educated and the working slaves got a little elbow room to look around in.

In a very short period, there has been more material progress than in all the other stages of history. Railroads, automobiles, airplanes, telegraph, wireless, radio. Capitalism has developed much faster than any previous A collection of \$14.54 was taken system.

But it has also worn itself out faster. It is running down like an old machine. Bigger and bigger wars, deeper and deeper depressions, are its chief product in this period of running down.

The next stage in history is socialism. This is a system which eliminates depressions and wars because it operates the factories in a different way than capitalism. It operates them directly for the benefit of the people. It produces for use and not for profit.

To be real socialists we should understand why capitalism is dying, and why socialism will inevitably be born. And to begin at the beginning let us see where capitalism came from. Let us see how we got where we are.

Next week: "How The Factories Were Born."



Chairman Fred Turner, President, Brooklyn NAACP Gloria Wall, Harlem Trotskyist Youth Leader

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# Why War Department Seeks Easing **Of Terrorism Against The Nisei**

#### By William Van (Special to The Militant)

LOS ANGELES, March 8-In a revealing letter mailed December 21, 1945, Lt. Col. Wallace H. Moore of the Los Angeles War Relocation Authority pleaded with various business organizations to show mercy to the terrorized Japanese-Americans who have lately returned to the West Coast from wartime impris-

onment in government con- the Orient, and the necessity for centration camps.

At the beginning of the war, however, this same War Relocation Authority was strangely silent concerning the welfare of the persecuted Japanese-Americans.

For several years the white big alien Japanese parentage . . . landowners and farmers on the These men have been declared coast. organized in the Associat- indispensable under combat coned Farmers, had desired to be rid of their successful Japanese Douglas MacArthur: farming competitors. The war with Japan gave them their chance.

Always responsive to the interests of its masters, the press here immediately opened a barrage of anti-Japanese-American propaganda. Portraying the Nisei as spies planted here by Japan to sabotage the war effort, it cemanded their prompt removal from the coast.

Not a word was raised then by the War Department in defense of the Nisei.

#### LOOKED AWAY

In fact, the accommodating bridge between our Army and War Department herded the the eighty million people in Jap-Nisel into foul concentration camps. Moreover, when the intelligence operative can disbanker friends of the Associated guise himself as an Oriental. Farmers then began to foreclose on the Japanese farms, whose imprisoned owners could not continue payments, the War Department conveniently looked the other way.

At the end of the war, when the Nisei began returning to the coast, they were greeted with anonymous threats to stay away - or else. Several of their homes were shot into, and other houses burned to the ground by "unidentified" individuals.

Moore's document tells why the War Department has now suddenly decided to scold these anonymous vigilantes for their terrorization of this helpless minority.

#### CYNICAL REASON

tween the Army's successful per- the future. formance of current duties in These Nisei returning to the nasty barbarians. "The Army's and still eats the sheep.



Reproduction of the cover illustration on the pamphlet "Vigilante Terror in Fontana," just issued by the Los Angeles branch of the Socialist Workers Party.

coast are "parents, relatives and | most decorated unit in this war friends of our overseas Nisei," is an all-Japanese-American and . . . "home front hoodium- regimental combat team, and it mation which will assist commu- ism . . . and other manifestations | did its most heroic fighting when nity leaders in thinking the prob- of prejudice against a Japanese- | West Coast terrorism was at its lem out, and reaching decisions American soldier's family or height." along the line of enlightened friends, create disturbing newsself-interest. (I don't mean the paper stories, radio broadcasts

and letters from home" for the to men of business concerned overseas Nisei. Moreover, "Selective Service is armed forces around the world." still drafting the sons and husbands of resettling evacuee families for language and intelligence training at Fort Snelling," and sending them "immediately homes if they want to dominate on graduation, to the Orient."

the Orient, the Japanese-Americans will obtain no enduring as-In his cynical appeal to Big sistance from the War Depart-Business, Moore incidentally re- ment. For it has long since been "Specifically, I aim to point try to refrain from hounding the futes the vicious wartime propa- convincingly established, at least out the direct relationship be- Japanese-Americans so much in ganda depicting the Japanese- biologically, that a wolf in sheep's Americans as spies, traitors and clothing is nevertheless a wolf

have quotas of five each.

**On Local Issues** 

# **Brass Hats Scheme To Keep Control Of Atomic Energy**

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a summary of that paper had al- admitted, in a letter read on the South Broadway, Room 201) ready been published in the Senate floor March 19, that the and was written by the fightmeeting program — a perfect physicist had managed to learn ing organizer of this local. commentary on the futility of a great deal about the construc- Myra Tanner Weiss. The intrying to suppress such data. tion of the bomb. Others in a troduction is by Mrs. Carrie Ostensible justification of mil- position to know, such as Walter Stokes Morrison, sister of Mrs. tary control is to speed develop- Lippman, Chancellor Robert M. Short. The pamphlet is worth ment of militarily-important as- Hutchins of the University of many times the dime for which it pects of atomic energy and to Chicago, and most of the atomic sells. prevent "leaks" to other con- scientists, testify to the futility This is the first complete extrols. It is already clear, how- of attempts to guard the secrets pose of the tragic story of the ever, that neither one of these of the atomic bomb.

goals is reached by military conmilitary control are untenable. Urey, said what should be the result, more and more opposifinal word on the effects of mili- tion to military control. Last committee how much Maj. Gen. "military fascism" by Secretary Leslie Groves, head of the pro- of Commerce Wallace expressed ject, had contributed to advanc- this fact. The CIO is strongly on ing the atomic bomb, Urey made record against it. the devastating reply: "He didn't The CIO News of March 18 retard it more than 18 months." storms against military control.

Urey was particularly refer- Very good. But what alternative ring to the compartmentaliza- does it propose? tion whereby scientists working The civilian board it proposes on one aspect were not permit- would provide "full public inforted to learn what other scientists mation in the U.S. immediately were achieving on another sub- on all aspects of atomic energy, division of the project. This subject to the retention of milcompartmentalization, Gen. itary secrets . . ." This is simply Groves has boasted, enabled him another version of military conto prevent such people as Alan

trol all over again. Nunn May, British physicist now For the rest the CIO program arrested for giving atomic inforfor atomic energy would depend mation to the Russians, from on the "United Nations," which learning all aspects of the bomb. would "outlaw the use of atomic However, Gen. Groves himself energy for military purposes, and all production of atomic last night. They are a tough

bombs," This is pacifist claptrap. A civilian board under Presi-**Speeds Assault** dent Truman is no solution of the menace of the atom bomb. For the CIO to limit itself to demanding a civilian board as against a military board is, in (Continued from Page 1) reality, simply to line up with one capitalist faction as against Short was burned to the ground. smash all remaining price controls is an army of powerful lobanother capitalist faction. The byists, well-heeled with millions CIO's proposal does not contain given to a worker as compared of dollars. They have been rushone ounce of independent labor ed into Washington by the corpolitics.

porate interests to insure the de-What class shall control the brought out by Myra Weiss in feat of any legislation which atom bomb? That is the key this way: might curb the greedy industrialquestion of our epoch. ists. and to aid in the hatchet

The way to convert atomic job on the OPA. energy into the savior of man- and his family are threatened Among these lobbyists are agents from the National Retail kind instead of its executioner with violent and illegal action? Dry Goods Association and big is to take it away from the war- We might answer this question food monopolies such as Gen- makers-the defenders of privi- by imagining what would haperal Foods and Standard Brands. lege against the working people. pen if Henry J. Kaiser, owner of dlord lobbyists are demand- The CIO's answer should be the steel mill in Fontana were



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One of the most revealing and challenging pamphlets to come off the press in the last few weeks is entitled 'Vigilante Terror in Fontana." It is published by the Los Angeles Branch of the

Socialist Workers Party (145 to a criminal conspiracy and made to reveal the identity of his fellow-conspirators. The steel magnate would be furnished guards at government expense and probably before the day was over he would be safe, with all the conspirators behind bars.

"But Short was not Kaiser. He didn't make millions out of the blood, agony and tears of the

second world war. He was just an obscure member of the permurder of O'Day H. Short, his secuted Negro minority. So the So the main justifications for young wife and their two beauticapitalist press was silent. The ful children by vigilante gangs in deputy sheriffs continued in of-One of the most authoritative Indeed there is a growing Fontana, California. These citi-atomic scientists, Harold C. awareness of this fact and, as a zens of "the land of the free and ed. The vigilantes could proceed the home of the brave" were with their plans unhindered. The burned to death as the result of only aid Short was given. if we tary control. Asked by a Senate week's denunciation of it as an explosion and fire of mysteri- can call it that, was the advice ous origin which consumed their by the FBI to report any further new home on December 16, 1945. developments."

"Vigilante Terror in Fontaria" After buying a lot in Fontana, outlines the tasks to be accom-50 miles from Los Angeles, and building a house there, Short plished as threefold:

1. MASS PRESSURE TO brought his family out there to live. Comrade Weiss explains FORCE ACTION BY THE AUin the pamphlet how Short was THORITIES.

soon visited by two deputy sher-2. A BROAD LABOR COMiffs who told him that he was MITTEE TO CONDUCT ITS "out of bounds" and that to OWN INVESTIGATION IN ORavoid "disagreeableness" he DER TO PREVENT A WHITEshould move his family to the WASH. other side of Baseline, which is

3. DEFENSE ORGANIZ-ATION TO PREVENT ANY Subsequently, J. Sutherland, FURTHER VIGILANTE VIOthe real estate broker who sold LENCE. the lot to Short, visited the lat-

All in all, this is one of the most heartrending cases of persecution of the Negro minority in the whole recent string of such events. It has been criminally hushed up by the capitalist press and even by so-called working class organizations which claim to be in the forefront of the fight for Negro rights. The coroner's jury backed by the other officers of capitalist "law and order" have listed it officially as

an "accident." The organizer and the entire Los Angeles Local of the Socialist Workers Party are to be highly commended for the fight they have put up in this case both to expose the vigiliante gangs in that section and to mobilize the labor movement behind a concerted action to drive these fascist thugs back into their holes.

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Pointing out the advantage of world events, and the recent we had decided on a quota of tional instead of buying individ- workers question the capitalist- Philadelphia has also acceptual copies on newsstands, Cam- ruled society under which we ed their quota of 20. Herbert (Continued from Page 1) Newell is Philadelphia's cam- 15 cents an hour more in addi-

Fourth International presents paign director. New York has tion to the general 181/2 cents "Although our magazine is the Marxist viewpoint in its an- the largest quota of 100 subscrip- raise won in the national agree- led plunder of the American peosold on stands throughout the alyses of current events. It deals tions. Next comes Los Angeles ment. At Cadillac the vicious ple. some workers as much as 20 cents

Buffalo, Newark, Philadelphia, with all getting the top rates. have a quota of 10. Allentown-



Fisher Body plant in Cleveland he said. throats.

Reuther admitted that the intolerable local grievances had the constantly mounting cost of ership, had supported the no-

International Union for the local HIDDEN INCREASES GM strikes and assailed UAW President R. J. Thomas and other mates fail to take into account strike.

ing a flat 15 per cent increase the immediate launching of an threatened. First, all the daily on all rentals. One of the most Independent Labor Party.

smothered any government pro- extinction. gram for emergency large-scale

We would like to see cities with the same quota challenge each housing. This lobby is reported ready other officially, on the basis of to shell out \$5,000,000 to prevent

> The big industrialists' voracious appetite for profits has not been appeased by the huge subsidies already granted by the administration to the meat, clothing and textile, construction and real estate interests. The magnates who monopolize the production of these basic commodities are determined to smash every obstacle to their uncontrol-

So brazen is this assault upon the living standards of the consuming public that Stabilization It was revealed that at 10 of last week forced to blast out at Director Chester A. Bowles was the 12 plants still on strike, the these "irresponsible, reckless, chief unsettled local grievance greedy organizations" which are is the "incentive pay" piece-work pressuring Congress to "elimisystem which the Stalinists had nate or wreck the only controls foisted on some locals under their between our people and inflation. control during the war. A no- We are on the eve of a crisis torious example of this is the which cannot be exaggerated,"

where the workers are now fight- As a matter of fact, despite ing to get rid of the "incentive wage gains won by many workpay" system the Stalinist Local ers through bitter struggles on 45 leaders had shoved down their the picket lines, the majority of wage earners are already beset by intense anxiety arising from

been piled up during the war living. According to the conserwhen the workers were shackled vative Bureau of Labor Statistby the no-strike policy. Reuther ics, it takes a minimum of \$40 failed to recall the fact that he, along with the entire union leadwith nothing left over for savership, had supported the no-strike pledge and helped enforce when there was still full em-

ployment and overtime pay, However, he defended the pres- three out of five wage earners ent policy of full support by the earned less than \$33.70 a week. Moreover, these official esti-

UAW top officials who wanted the higher and illegal prices to end the strike without settling charged by the black market, the local grievances. In many the thousands of overcharges instances these are of extreme achieved by the upgrading of importance to the workers and lower-priced merchandise, a major issue in their bitter through shortweighting, and other price-boosting devices.

papers would publicize the powerful gangs ever to descend Only when Labor is the gov- threat, thus making perpetration on Washington is a combined ernmental leader of the nation of the crime hazardous and dif-Bethlehem, Connecticut, Mil- lobby of big builders, real-estate and the world-only then will ficult. The two deputy sheriffs waukee, Pittsburg, Reading, St. men and lumber and materials atomic energy serve humanity who delivered the threat would Louis, San Diego and Tacoma interests which has virtually instead of threatening it with be removed from office. Suther- 8 p.m.

> measures designed to relieve the housing crisis for the workers, veterans and their families.

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a segregated Negro area.

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ter and delivered the following

tee had a meeting on your case

bunch to deal with. If I were

you, I'd get my family off this

Short asked Sutherland if this

threat meant violence if he did

not comply. Sutherland answer-

ed "Yes." It was about two weeks

later that the home of O'Day

with a member of the upper

crust exploiting class is clearly

The type of protection that is

"What might one expect the

authorities to do when a man

DEATH FOLLOWS THREATS

property at once.'

"Short, the vigilante commit-

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and along the endless lines of people were young men in uniform carrying pistols strapped to their aldes.

Near and on the fifteenth, the lines of peo-

ple kept coming. In the morning they were there. At noon, others replaced them. In the long afternoons there were still others standing, waiting patiently and fearfully, moving slowly like a long caterpillar, a part at a time. toward the desks and the stern little officials behind them.

In our line we inched slowly forward, and an old man behind me, weary of the silent monotony, began to talk to me. "You got to pay something?" he asked me.

"The way I figure it," I answered, "I have to pay \$37."

"You got dependents?"

"My wife. The boy's grown up and in the army.'

"Me, I got to pay, I guess," the old man said ruefully. "They no take out enough money where I work so I got to pay now."

We moved forward another few inches toward the desk and the thin man behind it, who looked like a crabby arithmetic teacher.

The old man added in a rather bewildered tone, "I no got money to pay," and his eyes asked the question, what will they do to me, what do they do to old men who don't have money to pay taxes?

"You earn much last year?" I asked.

"Oh, no. About \$1900. My boy, Dominic, he earn lots more than that.'

"Maybe Dominic will lend you some money to pay your tax."

"Oh, no. Dominic, he'sa married. Got two babies. Dominic got to pay the doctor, no got monev."

"Let's go, buddy," said one of the uniformed men. "You're holding up the line."

I moved up a foot or two, the old man trailing after me, and the rest of the line dragging up into place. "They taka too much money," the old man muttered at the back of my head. "Ah, they taka too much money!"

I was very close to the desk now, and I could

"Why," he inquired in an offensive tenor. "haven't you got it? It seems to me that you made quite enough last year to have saved enough money to pay your obligations to the administration government." Only, he didn't say "government": he said, "Government," with a capital G.

got a wife and three little kids. It costs money to live nowadays. I didn't make hardly enough to set by as it was". His big brown bonds were the set of the big brown bonds were the big brown bon to get by as it was." His big, brown hands were rolled into fists, and his voice was strained. It was easy to see that he would have liked to strangle the tax collector, and that he was restraining himself with effort.

"I can't help how many wives and kids you have," the official said irritably. "Take this slip to Room 303. Next."

The Negro hesitated a moment, glaring, then snatched the slip and stalked away. The young man in uniform eyed him narrowly, his hands on his hips, just a few inches from where the gun hung.

The woman ahead of me was at the desk now, ning their hopes on a Congresspeaking in a low, apologetic one. "What? sional proposal to seek abandon-What?" the official barked. "I can't hear you, ment of universal military train-You'll have to speak louder!"

The woman reddened and began all over again But the Congressional proponents her flow of broken English, even more indistinct- threw this pacifist proposition ly than before.

"Give me that!" He snatched her form. "You owe the Government \$21.19. Have you got it?"

Once more the abashed stream of words. The woman hung her head and broke off suddenly, twisting a soiled handkerchief. "Here," his tone was flat with disgust and

"Take this slip to Room 303." She boredom. began to speak, but he interrupted her curtly, "I don't know, I don't know. Take it to Room 303. NEXT.

He took my form and the bills that had been so painstakingly saved for a better occasion than this.

"Well," he smiled up at me, "it's a relief to have somebody with sense enough to prepare." His tone was confidential, and so was his smile. "Those foreigners. Work all year, and when it's time to pay their taxes, they haven't a cent for them.'

I didn't smile back. It was good to get out into the air once again.

Diary Of A Steelworker By T. Kovalesky The room was large and gleamed with pol-shed stonework, modern columns, polished, sounters and smooth, shining floors. There were desks in the room, scattered here and there, and around them There was daround them There were desks in the room, scattered here and there, and around them There was not done. There was daround them There were desks in the room, scattered here and there, and around them There was not done. There was descended them There was not done. There was descended them There was not done. There was descended them There was not done. There was not done.

# The Negro's eyes glinted down at him. "I Urges Congress

THE MILITANT

(Continued from Page 1) extension of the draft seems t have melted away. Senator Elber D. Thomas, chairman of the Senate Military Affairs Committee. told the press on March 19: "I wouldn't be surprised to see the Senate committee favoring a year's extension."

Until recently pacifist opponents of draft extension were pining by all the "United Nations." overboard last week.

The voice of organized labor has yet to be heard in this critical situation. The top AFL and CIO leaders are lying low, taking no position while a Congressional majority for draft extension is rapidly being crystallized. The representatives of labor should be registering vigorous protest against extension of the draft and denouncing the aid to militarism given by Wall Street's Congress. Here is one more urgent reason for the immediate launching of a Labor Party.

But labor cannot limit its fight against capitalist conscription solely to the fact that the Brass Hats are conspiring to foist Prussian militarism on America.

neither peace nor disarmament

V-J Day the victorious powers issue and thereby augment the ples struggling for their emanci- weeks.

workers in America need a pro- power using force to gain its ob-

London brigands are coming to

ers for freedom.

being drafted into an army run remain in Egypt despite the vig- route to India with all-out armed garding Sgt. Lindsey's attitude I had been away from the States so long that by Brass Hats, young workers orous protest of the people. Brit- might.

supervision of the workers' own of Greece. The U.S. forces staof a very intricate Yankee system. Every estab- labor's own ranks which now drawing from that strategic small Labor's own military program States have troops stationed designation "Gold" was for the white man, and would serve to bar the use of a throughout the world. Both of conscripted army as strikebreak- these imperialists hold millions

Wall Street's Men

Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., ex-President of the U.S. Steel Corporation and permanent U. S. delegate to the United Nations Organization, shown above at the San Francisco Conference which set up the UNO. The man to whom Stettinius is listening so attentively is Nelson Rockefeller of the Standard Oil family.

# Iranian Issue Utilized In Anti-Soviet Drive

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ther of them has any more regard than the Kremlin for the independence of small nations and the welfare of oppressed

The imperialists of Wall Street and London are concerned, first and foremost, in welding together a bloc of nations in their diplomatic offensive against the Soviet Union. They are determined to prevent the Soviet Union from influence in surrounding countries.

However, the Wall Street and EMPIRE ROUTE INVOLVED

Secondly, the British consider the extension of Russian influence in the Middle East a threat to the commercial and naval lines of communication that are bind together the British Empire. Ever since construction of the Suez Canal, the British have

gainst any nation threat

The following letter to The Militant from an "ex-Navy GF exposes the hand-picked "board of inquiry" recently appointed by the War Department to investigate officer-privileges. The letter is typical of servicemen's reactions to the military caste system. Editor:

After months of heated protests from enlisted men of both the army and Navy against the notorious "caste system," the army "Brass" is making an all-out attempt to stop unfavorable publicity

toward their age-old "Prus- | toward the army's infamous rasian" military caste system once and for all.

would be impossible. The board of inquiry set up by top army officials to investigate nitely on the side of the army the long-standing complaints of big shots is clearly evidenced by thousands of GIs, is an artful attempt to whitewash the whole rotten situation in the eyes of the public.

To realize this, one has but to look at the background of the six members of the committee. The army loudly boasts that all, excepting General Doolittle, are ex-GIs. It has been long recognized by all enlisted men that in most cases it takes more than just military ability to advance from the ranks to a commission,

time.

situation.

battlefield commissions except-

APPLE POLISHERS The most hated man in the army or navy is the one who "lords it over" or threatens his subordinates merely to create a favorable impression in the eyes of his superior officers. He becomes known as an "apple-pol-

isher" in a surprisingly short The army boasts of Sgt. Jake Lindsey, 100th infantryman to a labor dispute. win the Congressional Medal of Honor, who was appointed to this board. It is also known that Congressional Medal of Honor win-

unfair barriers between officers and enlisted men. such barriers extending even into off-duty hours.

But until a committee is formed from the anonymous ranks of the GIs, the men who bore the brunt of the battle with no fancy medals or promotions as a reward, the men who were accorded no favors or privileges, then, and only then, will such a committee accomplish its true most out-dated and undemocratic

The army big-wigs with their board of inquiry aren't going to fool the average GI. Who then, is it attempting to fool? YOU. the public - the workers and their sons who will be drafted a breeding place of Jim Crowism. to form the army.

Harold Josephs Ex-Navy GI



Die?

the picture, we had a skipper who had only recently taken to deep water after thirty years in the Florida wamps

Notes Of A Seaman

Yet, despite the very poor conditions we had to put up with, the ship was quite

"happy." This was made possible by a harmonious crew of white and colored seamen.

We hit a number of very small ports in the Carribean. None of them offered much in the way of recreation aside from a few gin mills. And it was quickly apparent in the first port we hit that the color line of the great United States was something incomprehensible to the people in these ports.

And if there was a bit of hesitation at first among some members of the crew to go ashore together with colored members of the crew,

docked at the army docks in the Canal Zone and most of us were rushing ashore to spend the are arming to the teeth-against anti-Soviet propaganda that has evening in Panama's famed night clubs. I was each other and against the peo- deluged the country in recent with my drinking partner, a colored seaman. On the way out of the Canal Zone we came pation from imperialism and op-

to the American Commissary. Needing a haircut pression. I suggested going in. We entered the large airconditioned building that offered various services to the Canal Zone employes.

I was slightly puzzled by a sign over the Street militarism which will not entrance that read "Gold only!" I thought to leave them helpless and untrained myself that this was an unusual condition of in a militarized world. payment.

By Art Sharon

Once inside I immediately became aware of and The Militant advocate: something out of place. For a few minutes I Military training of workers, American-donated arms and with couldn't rid myself of the uncomfortable feeling financed by the government, but Washington's sanction, that something was wrong. Suddenly it came to under control of the trade shooting down Indonesian fightme. Here in a country where the whites are a unions! minority were several hundred exclusively white men and women sipping iced drinks.

I had almost forgetten the existence of Jim would be trained in the use of ish troops with Washington's

#### postponement of the Council the most cynical hypocrisy. Neimeeting until April 10, pending the Iranian government. On the other side is the stark reality that the conquest of Germany and Japan has brought a noisy fanfare in the capitalist

to the world. Six months after to focus attention on the Iranian

ists are trying to give the impres-Under these conditions the sion that the Kremlin is the only extending and consolidating its

gram of struggle against Wall jectives.

the meeting of the Security The Socialist Workers Party Council with equally bloody hands. British troops, using

This means that instead of British and American troops defended the Mediterranean

I had almost forgetten the existence of Jim would be trained in the use of arms in training camps, or dur-expect it along with Ford cars, Coca Cola, and ing working hours, under direct pro-monarchist regime in control It remained for the barber who refused to organizations. Military instruc- tioned in Iceland for over five Mildle East. Authoritative Wall cut my partner's hair to explain the workings tors could easily be chosen from years show no intention of with-Street spokesmen have made Both Britain and the United British in such a war. Thirdly, the Middle Eastern

the following quotation from an Association Press dispatch to the Toledo Blade. "GIs were promised a chance today to sound off on what they think is wrong with the army's officer system. But when they sound off it had better be good, for five of the six members of the inquiry board hearing their complaints will be prising sales resistance."

ex-GIs - and ex-GIs have sur-

cial discrimination policy. Un-

biased judgment on his part

That "Big Business" is defi-

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CAREFULLY SELECTED

Secretary of War Patterson and his Brass Hat cohorts were careful to select a board of inquiry that had every reason to be sympathetic in their attitude towards the "aristocratic tradi-

tion" of the armed forces. The remaining members of the board are in just as far-removed positions to give accurate criticism. They may be compared to a group of stool-pigeons, appointed by the boss, arbitrating

No one is protesting the idea of such an inquiry. Soldiers and sailors have long and loudly clamored for investigation of the

ners are given free trips to various localities in behalf of war bond drives, and in some instances are presented before Congress and other Washington bigshots to create an air of patriotism. Home town papers cash in heavily on such publicity. Such coddling is above and beyond any treatment accorded the non-

decorated men. In effect, they automatically vassume officers' privileges. Certainly such soft treatment could induce Lindsey purpose. That is, abolishing the not to criticize a system he knows is demoralizing and system imposed upon the Ameriunjust. Neither could Lindcan youth. sey afford to jeopardize his position with the Veterans' Admin-

istration by making critical observations of a much publicized Lindsey hails from Mississippi,

Certainly there is no question re-

By Jerry Kirk

(Special to The Militant)

## the outcome of negotiations with These actions accompanied by press, were obviously calculated peoples.

The Anglo-American imperial-

the very atmosphere soon overcame that.

The good will and warm hospitality of the natives to white and colored crew members alike had a beneficent effect upon the crew in turn.

Every port provided an occasion for a party. This lasted until we came to Panama, site of the Panama Canal, owned by the United States Government. And here in the midst of an entire hemisphere where the color line was unknown, stood a little lily-white oasis of madein-America Jim Crow.

Just as the British colonial administrators in the heart of their imperial empire maintain the ritual and taboos of upper class John Bull, so here in a small sector of Wall Street's Empire was preserved the sacred principle of "white supremacy."

It came to us with a sudden shock. We had

Must 17 Million

"Six months ago my wife was apparently one

of the healthiest and happiest women in our

community," wrote S. L. J. from Altoona, Pa.,

on March 15 to the N. Y. Times. Then the

terrible scourge of incurable cancer invaded his

home. "I took her to one of the largest hospitals,

where they cut part of her body away . . . I

watched her go blind. She has now a few hours,

or perhaps days, to live . . . now she is irrational,

can no longer tell me of her tortures and there

is nothing left for me but to await her death."

died as were killed on the World War II battle-

fields, remains a still unsolved medical enigma.

writes this agonized husband. "But there are

thousands of wives, husbands, fathers, mothers,

sons and daughters who may be the next victims

of this scourge. I, also, was most complacent

until cancer hit my happy home, but no man,

rich or poor, white or black, knows when cancer

"The cure for cancer is no more inconceivable

may strike next.

"My wife is no longer a part of this world,"

other world-famous United States products. lishment in the Zone, he informed us with include millions of ex-GIs and country. something like haughty condescension, had signs skilled officers.

indicating who was permitted entrance. The "Silver" was for the black man.

But not for every black man. It wouldn't do ers against the unions. It would of people in the most brutal ento discriminate against the upper class Pana- also enable labor to thwart Wall slavement. manians who were dark themselves. So "Silver" Street's drive to drag America was the exclusive label reserved for the black into a Third Imperialist World ington and London over the fate worker and no other. War.

By Larissa Reed

Thus in the heart of Central America, Yankee Jim Crow showed its ruling class purpose and class dividing line even more clearly than in the United States.

medical research. They have deliberately bar-

ricaded the progress of science along recent

sensational new paths of discovery leading toward

the cure of cancer and many other still un-

Command to conceal their crime from the public,

it was revealed by Albert Deutsch in the March

19 PM that the Army tops have dictatorially

shut off free use of the new development "Car-

bon 14"-the most hopeful avenue of cancer

what happens to living cells under different

Despite the conspiracy of the Army High

Thus, the "concern" of Wash-

of the Iranian people is clearly

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**Contract With Reservations** clear that the United States' armed forces will join with the

FLINT, Mich., March 19 - All GM locals here have overcountries, and particularly Iran whelmingly accepted the new contract negotiated between and Iraq, have vast stores of the CIO United Automobile Workers and General Motors natural wealth, principally oil. owerful American and British Corporation. companies control and exploit these tremendous resources. The **GM Fisher Body** U. S. High Command considers these oil supplies indispensable for its domination of the world. **Workers Vote** Russia is attempting to get oil concessions from Iran, and Wall **To Extend Strike** Street corporations are furiously resisting encroachment on what they consider their private By D. Lands reserve. These gangsters are urging a "get tough with Russia'

(Special to The Militant) policy. They are determined to CLEVELAND, March 21 --defend at all costs, even to the projecting of an Anglo-American war against Russia, their plundering and control of the Middle

These are the main reasons 20 to 1 to continue their 121-day | We want the elimination of the why British and American imstrike until their demands for reprimand system, reinstatement elimination of the company's of workers fired during the war piece-work system have been for union activity, elimination of met.

> ducted by the Fisher Body Lo- mands." cal 45 of the CIO United Auto Workers on the question of retinuance of strike action until 44 voted to go back. Day work

to support their brothers on piece-work. The Fisher Body workers are CHEVROLET RETURNS

determined never again to be subjected to the inhuman speedmorale is wonderful and they are fight against the corporation.

confident that they can win this cals here submitted resolutions One interesting aspect of the port of the immediate formation situation is that Stalinists, prin- of a Labor Party. cipal pushers for "incentive-pay"

local 599 voted 2,767 to 1,510 to continue the strike until local demands were settled. This demonstration of the fighting power and stamina of the GM workers was expressed at the largest mass meeting in the history of the Buick local. Over 9,000 of the 15,000 members attended Art Case, acting chairman of While ratifying the national tee, informed this reporter that the Buick Bargaining Commitagreement by an overwhelm- "the membership showed in this ing majority, the workers of meeting that they are solidly be-General Motors' huge Fisher hind us. We have a dozen de-Body plant here voted more than mands that have to be settled. piece-work in the foundry. These In a separate secret ballot con- are the most important de-

However, while accepting the

national contract by a 40 to 1

margin, the members of Buick

At the Buick membership meeting the local leadership came in turning to work, 941 favored con- unitedly with the proposal to continue the strike until agreement piece-work is abolished. Only had been reached. This has been backed up by the largest picket members voted overwhelmingly lines around the 15 gates of the Buick plant since the beginning

of the strike. Chevrolet local 659 voted to\* return to work despite the fact up, brow-beating and rate-cut- that some of the leaders of the ting which are among the out- local had asked the memberstanding features of the damn- ship to continue the strike on, able piece-work system. Their the basis of the local demands,

Both Chevrolet and Buick Loto the UAW convention in sup-

The GM workers are returning time and again during the 118

omen for the future.

atomic bomb . . . We can conquer cancer, but the public must be aroused . . . For the 17,000,000 Americans alive today that are destined to die of cancer there must be an answer."

There is an answer! But for S. L. J. and "the seventeen million Americans alive today that are destined to die of cancer," it is a shocking answer. A murderous answer.

The murderers are the brutish Army Caste who, since the discovery of atomic energy, have clamped down their Army-imposed secrecy on

The dozens of doctors who examined his wife research yet developed. and tried to help, he wrote, always gave him the Carbon 14 was discovered in 1940 at the same answer: "I am very sorry, just try to make Radiations Laboratory of the University of her comfortable." For the dread disease of California by two young bio-chemists, Drs. cancer, which ranks second as the cause of all Martin Makin and Samuel Rubin. This element deaths, and from which twice as many Americans permits science through "tracers" to find out

conquered human diseases.

conditions in the human body. Hundreds of laboratories in universities and other medical research centers throughout the country have been clamoring for Carbon 14 as an invaluable aid to help them solve the cure for cancer and other diseases. But the military autocrats decreed otherwise. The High Brass has thereby placed its own arbitrary sentence of death upon these seventeen million victims-to-come.

\$ \* \$ "Give our great doctors and scientists the means to study . . . " pleads S. L. J.

But Wall Street's Brass Hats remain deaf to these agonized pleas. They are depriving the scientists of these very means. They are withholding the marvelous achievements developed in the research of atomic energy which-can extend man's health and life span. They are utilizing this epochal discovery solely for the most horribly destructive military purposes.

freed from the monstrous prison which these militaristic barbarians are crecting around them.

than the discovery of the cure for other dreaded diseases," continues S. L. J. "Our nation has spent over two billion dollars to discover the

If the scientists are to obtain the means to find the cure for cancer, they must first be perialists are raising such a hue and cry about the continued presence of Russian troops in Iran. By bringing the issue before the Security Council, under the pretext that Russian moves in Iran are threatening world "peace," they hope to place moral responsibility for World War

III on the very country they themselves expect to attack. The overwhelming majority of the members of the United Nations Organization are under the thumb of American or British imperialism. They are being

East.

primed for the forthcoming hearing of the charges against .10 the Kremlin through which the Security Council can then point an accusing finger at the Soviet Union as the principal "aggres-

sor" against world peace. Through such maneuvers Anglo-American imperialists aim to whip the anti-Russian hysteria to new heights.

Stalin's brutal policy of arm- piece-work in the auto plants to work with renewed confidence ed aggression and violence during the war, are now trying in their power which was tested against Iran, his absolute disre- to repair their damaged reputagard for the independence of tions by opposing it. But the day strike. Hundreds of new this small nation plays into the militants have not forgotten the leaders rose up from the ranks hands of the imperialists in their | treacherous role of the Stalinists | and thousands of workers "pardiplomatic efforts to isolate the in helping to fasten the com- ticipated in union activities for Soviet Union and incite public pany-sponsored speed-up on the first time. This is a good feeling against the USSR. them.