# Eisenhower, Taft **Split Over Korea Cease-Fire Talks**

### By Joseph Hansen

The exact status of the negotiations for a truce in Korea are hidden at present behind a veil of secrecy. What concessions have been made by the two sides, what points of difference remain, how im-D-

portant the differences are, who imminent and consequently feel is to blame for the latest stalling it is time to register complaints - all the facts about these issues as emphatically as possible." involving the possibility of an Rhee's threats to continue fightarmistice or the resumption of ing and explode any truce that full-scale fighting remain un- might be reached were squelched known. The doors have been by a missive to the dictator from closed to public view at Pan- Eisenhower, again secret, which munjom in direct violation of the probably involved promises of right of the peoples of the world some kind of pay-off to the to know the truth and to see for blood-thirsty little puppet. themselves what answers the More serious than Rhee's froth-

representatives of the contend- ing at the mouth were the obing powers propose on questions jections voiced by Senator Robert involving the immediate fate of A. Taft. The head of the Republican power machine in Congress millions of human beings. The only revelations about the said May 26 that if a truce was

new secret offer made by the not secured — on the arbitrary, Eisenhower administration have one-sided terms thus far advanced come from the highly unreliable publicly by Eisenhower — then Syngman Rhee dictatorship. In the U.S. "might as well forget the this case there may be some United Nations as far as the truth to Rhee's reports since he Korean war is concerned."

is violently opposed to Eisen-In Taft's opinion "England and our other allies" should be told hower's proposals. He says they involve "concessions" to the North "that we are withdrawing from Korean and Chinese negotiators. all further peace negotiations in According to Henry S. Hay- Korea." He added: "I believe we ward, Chief Far Eastern Cor- might as well abandon any idea respondent of The Christian of working with the United Na-Science Monitor, Rhee's "dissa- tions in the East, and reserve to

tisfaction is at least partly due ourselves a completely free hand." to belief that the Communists These views express the line advocated by the "Pacific First" will accept the new truce over-(May 27). The South wing of the American capitalist tures." Koreans, he continues, "may have class. They want extension of the (Continued on page 2) reason to believe that success is

# **SWP Leadership Plans Program of Activities**

A rounded program of activities to guide its local branches was adopted by the National Committee of the Socialist Workers Party at its plenary session May 21-24. The program dealt with the type

of work to be carried on in the Communist Party on October 27. trade unions with special atten- 1928.

The meeting of the National tion given to the poorer-paid, less privileged and more combative Committee was preceded by a workers. It included directives hard-fought and thoroughgoing for activities in behalf of the discussion throughout the party colored people, and their organ- on a number of political and or izations, the youth, students and ganizational questions. Debate upon the internal situation oc

It outlined the record and cupied the greater part of the policy of the party in the fight plenum. Majority and minority for civil rights and in defense of positions were presented on the all victims of reactionary repres- major political developments since the unions as the central need ican Stalinism and the correct the American workers in tactical approach to it. Following three days of intense fighting war, McCarthyism and the threat of a depression. It debate, a solution of the party recommends running Socialist situation satisfactory to both candidates for office wherever sides was reached. The minority feasible. agreed to recognize the authority All these tasks are designed to of the National Committee promote the aim of building an plenum, abide by its decisions, independent party of revolution- and carry them out loyally in ary Socialists firmly rooted in the accord with the principle of demomain section of the organized cratic centralism. The majority working class of the United agreed to preserve and protect the democratic rights of the States. An \$18,000 fund campaign is minority and to ensure its full UN assignment was blocked for reasons, "in the ugly current while its government practices to be launched June 15 for party- integration in the work of the undisclosed "security" reasons. phrase," as Mrs. Davis described condemnation by poison - per building purposes and to facilitate party on all levels. Both factions the realization of this program agreed to concentrate for the the late Davis Cup donor, is a report on her. Afterwards, stories security on honorable indeof action. Plans were made for coming period upon the practical former President of the Women's about her "unreliability" appear- pendence of spirit. ... celebrating next fall the 25th tasks of building and strengthen- National Republican Club and a ed in the press. She had denounced origin to the expulsion of the proceeds in a regulated manner. Clusive interview in the May 31 examine Wellesley's social science what is most precious in the blows against labor. initial Trotskyist group from the (Continued on page 3)

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the senator's administrative as-

The Rev. Curran's defense of

the fascist-like McCarthy was sig-

fail in Korea and the UN allies

thy's own provocative proposals

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deserted the Communist Party in

sistant Ray Kiermas.

"GO IT ALONE"

hierarchy. For instance, public nificantly combined with a pro-

praise of McCarthy was spoken nouncement on Far Eastern poli-

on May 31 by the Rev. Edward cy. He urged the U.S. to "go it

Lodge Curran, president of the alone" in Korea if the truce moves

ciety and pastor of St. Joseph's of the U.S. decide to pull out.

Roman Catholic Church in Brook- This is along the lines of McCar-

Addressing a communion break- for spreading the war in the Far

fast of 1,800 firemen, the promin- East, even to bombing ships of all

ent priest boasted that, "out in countries carrying goods to China

the forefront of those ferreting | McCarthy's great initial publi-

out communism is that great city arose out of his smear cam-

American, great Marine and great Catholic, Senator Joe McCarthy." more in 1949 and 1950. Lattimore,

He claimed that McCarthy, who a Far Eastern expert, was an ad-

is detested even by many Eisen- viser to the State Department un-

hower Republicans, is a "contro-der the Truman administration.

of Communists and fellow trav- Lattimore was Louis Budenz, who

The Rev. Curran urged his aud- 1945 to rejoin the Catholic Church

This alleged "smear" campaign versity, a leading Catholic insti-

By Joseph Keller

Senator Joseph McCarthy, whose

methods remind us of the Spanish

Inquisition, is getting more and

more open backing from the pow-

erful and authoritarian Catholic

International Catholic Truth So-

elers that he has on the run."

includes the damning revelations tution.

of the Senate Subcommittee on

against Joe McCarthy."

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# **Demand Witch-Burners Halt** Legal Murder of Rosenbergs

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Stop This Political Witch-Burning

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WOMAN LEADER, METHODIST BISHOP sion. The program envisages the formation of a Labor Party by starts of the party and on Amer-

# **Electrocution of Couple Designed** To Terrorize Freedom of Thought

### By Harry Frankel

Political assassination under cover of "legal" mumbo-jumbo came closer to the Rosenbergs this week as last-minute moves by defense counsel failed to slow down the witch hunters' death drive. Thursday, June 18, is the date set for execution of the courageous couple, and world-wide protest has failed to secure a stay despite the fact that important new evidence indicates that government witnesses, upon whose testimony the hysterical death-sentence was obtained, had perjured themselves.



MILITANT

A terrible and irreversible injustice may soon take place in the Rosenberg case. Representatives of all sectors of the nation have railed to the defense of the Rosenbergs, but labor has not yet been heard from. And the labor movement is the only power strong enough to stay the hand Case announced a nationwide of the executioner.

The official leaders of the trade unions of America ington on Sunday, June 14, outmay feel that labor has no stake in this case. They may argue that only those who are sympathetic to "communism" or to the Soviet Union need be concerned about the tate of the Rosenbergs. They are wrong.

There is a very strong doubt that justice has been done in the case; strong enough to make the union lead- make them as large and forceful ers pause before dismissing it. Furthermore, the case as possible. is connected very closely with the McCarthylte method of trial by fury, in an atmosphere of hysteria.

If, in such a case, one which involves the first peace- on whose unsupported testimony If, in such a case, one which involves the first peace-time use of the death penalty for alleged "espionage," a "he Rosenbergs were convicted of "espionage," has been uncovered. miscarriage of justice were to occur, this would be an This document, from the files of

Throughout the world, delegations asking commutation of the death sentence are constantly visiting U.S. embassies. The Women's International Democratic Federation, on the eve of the World Congress of Women opening in Copenhagen on June 5, wired President Eisenhower a demand for clemency and that all new evidence be considered. The Federation represents 135 million women in 65 countries.

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### MASS RALLIES

In this country, the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg series of actions including a National Clemency Train to Washdoor meetings and floats in the nation's principal cities, and a mass meeting in Union Square, N. Y., on Thursday, June 11. Militant readers have indicated that they will participate in the demonstrations in an effort to

The biggest new development in the case is that a handwritten document by David Greenglass,

McCarthyism and its threat to vealed herself as "one of the) all but the most openly reac- angriest women in the United and where does this trend lead tionary elements in America is States" because of the current which makes it possible for such of even prominent Republicans. the left of Senator Joseph Mc- regarded as a poor security Mrs. Dwight F. Davis, a leading Carthy, J. Edgar Hoover and the risk?" asked Mrs. Davis. "There woman Republican, has been in- Gestapo-FBI.

spired to denunciation of the poli- Her anger is directed par- has gripped this country - a tical witch hunt by the case of ticularly at the smear of Mrs. sickness of fear, of mutual Mrs. Mildred McAfee Horton, Horton, whose nomination as U.S. suspicion, of unhealthy credulity. wartime commander of the Waves delegate to the United Nations Only a sick nation is willing to and former president of Wellesley Economic and Social Commission believe the worst of its best. Only College, whose appointment to a was held up for "security" a sick nation remains complacent Mrs. Davis, wealthy widow of it. The FBI snoopers had made a letter and pins the label of bad

**McCarthy Linked to Catholic Hierarchy** 

SEN. McCARTHY

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witness "as a teacher and as a

Christian gentleman" and assail-

ed Chavez's statement as "even

SOURCE OF MATERIAL

"professor" at Fordham Uni- columns of the Daily Worker."

N. Y. Herald-Tribune, she re- textbooks.

Coughlin.

more

Budenz had introduced as the

'first corroborative documents"

for his testimony against Latti-

more an article by Father James

article by a leading Jesuit was a

id the disintegrating Chiank Kai-

first published attack on Latti-

"What has happened to America enormous leap forward for McCarthyism.

By the same token, it would be a blow against the arousing the fears and protests witch hunt against everyone to a citizen as Mrs. Horton to be labor movement — a setback for labor in its impending testimony in the ten months fight to defeat American fascism.

is only one answer. A sickness Labor must recall the fact that Sacco and Vanzetti were adjudged innocent years after their execution by Felix Frankfurter, who now sits on the Supreme Court which refused to give the Rosenbergs a chance to present have been given a fair trial. new evidence. Labor must recall that Tom Mooney, also Further, Judge Kaufman who sentenced to death in a hysterical atmosphere, was saved presided gave unmistakeable by the protest of labor and also later found to be innocent.

Time is short! Labor must act at once. The top lead- bergs "traitors," when they were ership of the AFL, the CIO and the independent unions not on trial for treason. The "We do not gain security for have a clear duty to appeal for a stay of execution and government dared not risk a trial anniversary of the Socialist ing the party while objective dis-former member of the Republican the House Un-American Activities this nation by challenging a Mrs. for a new trial. If they fail in this duty, they may help Constitution, this requires the Workers Party which traces its cussion on all disputed matters National Committee. In an ex- Committee's demand in 1949 to Horton. And we lose, meanwhile, the witch hunters to strike one of the greatest possible testimony of two witnesses to an (Continued on Page 2)

Greenglass' own attorney, 0. John Rogge, shows that Greenglass substantially changed his preceding the trial in March 1951.

### "TRIAL" HYSTERIA

The trial itself was held in an atmosphere of hysteria in which the Rosenbergs could not possibly evidence of prejudice. Among other things, he called the Rosenovert act, and the government had only the word of stool-pigeon Greenglass, whose testimony is furthermore unreliable since he personally stood to gain from it. Further, the fantastic allegations in the trial that the Rosenbergs "gave" the atom bomb "secret" away has been exploded Condon, Lapp and Eistein. When the trial opened, the government promised to take three months to . If this judgment is carried tradictory case; did not call a single atom scientist. Many physicists whom the government

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### 4th Int'l Pleads For Doomed Pair

The executive committee of the Fourth International has made public the text of a telegram sent to President Eisenhower on May 27 branding, the impending execution of the Rosenbergs as a "preparatory act for World War III." The wire, dispatched from Paris by Pierre Frank, follows:

"President Eisenhower. Washington: We protest the projected execution of the Rosenberg couple which we consider a preparatory act for counter-revolutionary third world war. We demand clemency.

> 'Executive Committee, Fourth International'

The following are some of the outstanding voices representing the growing protest of millions in America and by top atomic scientists Urey,

Fortune publishing tycoon. An- tend Catholic power in America. of the Rosenbergs: Dr. Harold C. Urey, world-fa- counsel for the American Civil other source of McCarthy's mate- In the years of the depression it rial was William J. Goodwin, reg- had Father Coughlin. It would be mous atomic physicist and Nobel Liberties Union, wrote: "So far present its case, and offered to istered lobbyist and agent for in keeping with the hierarchy's prize winner declared, "Accepting as I know, there is no precedent call 118 witnesses including top Chiang Kai-shek. Goodwin was aims to get behind McCarthy. He the verdict as correct, I am out- for a death penalty in a case like once active in the fascist Christian has become the spearhead of the raged by the unequal punishment this. . It is the damnable death ernment took 8½ days to present Front organization of Father political witch hunt in America. which has been given." The Rosen-Coughlin. penalty that causes the uneasiness bergs "were convicted on testiarchy can attempt to discredit and

victimize the Protestant clergy and others who stand in the way doubt. . . I believe the Rosenof Catholic advances. bergs are or have been Communists or sympathetic to Communist parts of the world. . . F. Kearney, in the December 1948 It is this latter fact which Meth-

issue of Columbia, published by odist Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam ideas. I regard such people as unthe Knights of Columbus. This undoubtedly had in mind when he reliable generally, but I do not bedenounced the recent attacks on lieve in punishing people unless of the state of Utah declared: bitter denunciation of the U.S. the loyalty of President Bishop they commit crimes. State Department for refusing to Henry Knox Sherrill of the Pro-The renowned scientist, Albert

support intervention in China to testant Episcopal Church and for- Einstein, in a letter to the Presimer president of the National dent stated: "My conscience comshek dictatorship. It contains the Council of Churches. pels me to urge you to commute

military intervention in China is When Senator Dennis Chavez The material McCarthy and He wrote that the Chinese mis-

Booth Luce, prominent Catholic | The Catholic hierarchy has long

convert now ambassador to Italy been seeking a national political

Privileges and Elections about of New Mexico, himself a Roman Budenz used to smear Lattimore sions of the Vatican face "ruin." ed was the mysterious sources amist and self-confessed partici- American China Policy Associa- the Far East - including Indo- crease of 199 over the previous did not know and could not have ed in secret bank accounts from murder Leon Trotsky, the Very to be most closely interested. The it might lose if the colonial re-1948 through 1952 and the addi- Rev. Laurence J. McGinley, presi- ACPA president was Mrs. Clare volts continue to spread. when losses rose sharply. Arthur Ga when losses rose sharply.

**HEED THESE VOICES!** 

and wife of the Time, Life and figure through which it can ex- throughout the world against the barbaric death sentence

mony which I do not believe is through, we shall make martyrs conclusive beyond a reasonable of the Rosenbergs, perhaps not

to many people in the United States, but to millions in other

In a clemency letter, Chief Justice Wolf of, the Supreme Court "From the standpoint of justice, I think the conviction rests on too shaky a foundation. . . This conviction was obtained during a period of mounting hysteria by evidence of witnesses whom the law considers unreliable because

of the very hope of reward or mitigation. . . Some 2,300 clergymen in a petition to Eisenhower said: "...the Dr. Edward U. Condon, another death sentence is an indication of

leading scientist, punctured a our national weakness rather than chief prosecution point, Green- our national strength. It is a reglass' story of a "freehand draw- flection of our growing hysteria, A new total of 135,362 United ing" of a "lens." He said: "The fear and insecurity.... It further



U.S. Casualties Rise

ience to "stop the smear campaign and secure a well-paying job as lower than that reached in the that the American Catholic hierarchy's rabid campaign for U.S. based on vital material interests. To 135,362 Total

HIERARCHY'S HOLDINGS are under such vicious attack?" The Rev. Kearney indicated

reasons which were set forth so convincingly by my distinguished colleague, Harold C. Urey. . ."



### THE MILITANT

### Monday, June 8, 1953

The American

Way of Life

The Washroom Menace

The foundations of the Republic are cracking. A New

The court ruling involves 57-year-old Bonaventura

# Eisenhower, Taft Split Over Korea Cease-Fire Talks White Terror Against Africans Denounced by British Socialists Victim of Imperialism

(Continued from page 1) war in Korea. They insist on a has frequently proved reliable in major conflict with China in order | reporting views of the State Dereturn dictator Chiang Kai-shek their publicity hand-outs, in- ment to repress the people of to power and restore imperialist dicates that the White House is Kenya. Ed.) domination over the Chinese peo- even considering "an eventual ple. The belligerent, war-now accomodation "with Communist hungry, colonial-minded capital- down that road." ists.

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It is this wing of the Republican carrot proffered the Mao regime concern to the State Department. Eisenhower's arbitrary terms for Dulles' diplomacy has been design- a Korean truce. Actual recognied to meet their pressure even more than that of the European then be indefinitely delayed. appearing posture before the to achieve peace. His real aims small minority of white settlers masses of the world.

of war preparations from the areas and revolutionary move-Pacific to the Atlantic.

On May 28 the President de- they may occur. clared that a "go-it-alone" policy | But the preparations for this was excluded from the foreign- frightful conflict require a difpolicy planning of his administra- ferent course in the field of diplotion. This was taken by the press macy from that followed by Truto indicate a sharp break with man - perhaps even some partial Taft's views.

essentially a defense of isolation-policy and must make a public ism in a world where isolationism break with the Ohio senator. is impossible." Taft -"is striking at the heart of United States hower has no fundamental difpolicy." That policy comprehends ferences with the "Pacific First" and access to their productive Times could say editorially May materials.

Joseph C. Harsch of The in many ways supporter."

# Woman Leader, Methodist **Bishop Decry Smear Attacks**

(Continued from page 1) land Ministerial Alliance, the American tradition. A watchdog Bishop charged that the House body is required to raise the witch-hunt committee had not only especially in the areas south of fore guilty of putting into pracalarm when there are other cases rejected recommendations to re-like that of Mrs. Horton. An form its procedure to protect the notionalism beam of the ways. African been enouraging them to do ever It is Ireland all over again! energetic organization is needed to rights of witnesses before it, but tried to make it. hed more dif part of other victims of

the exemplary position which it indicates the revolutionary social Christian Science Monitor. ists in Great Britain have taken toward the efforts of the British to smash the Mao government, partment that do not jibe with capitalist class and its govern-

statements of the MacArthurs, China" if a truce goes through. raised school dais and at his side McCarthys and Knowlands voice "Recognition and admission to was a Sten gunner." (News the sentiments of these profit- the United Nations lie clearly Chronicle reporter at Kenyatta's trial.)

was "smuggled out of Kenya like"

tion of the New China might are just the contrary. Like Tru- are determined to wipe out every

gun to Eisenhower's head, forcing him to reveal the rift within Republican ranks over making a trues and shifting the amphasis truce and shifting the emphasis Soviet bloc countries, the colonial cans today. His sentence of sevenyears imprisonment and possible ments of the workers wherever deportation for life to the deserts of Northern Kenya will make him

The authoritative N. Y. Times, giant coalition into war in the which expresses the opinion of the most effective way, Eisenhower dominant section of the capitalist must don the deceptive appearance class, tore into Taft editorially of a peace-lover. That is one May 28, calling him a "confusing reason why he cannot afford to man." Taft's speech, it said, "is adopt Taft's views on foreign In the final analysis, Eisen-"global defense with free allies crowd. That is why the N. Y. capacity, manpower and raw 31 that Eisenhower "still looks on Senator Taft as his friend and

which has swept from Asia, through the Middle East into all well-organized nationalist move-

tionalism.

chiefly concerned.)

Coastism" caused the tiny white

population to abandon its previ-

ously semi-indulgent attitude to-

Suddenly and without warning liated and arrested.

without bitter struggle in which - in securing a large measure of self government and the possibility of achieving complete

future, CHAIN REACTION

by the alarmed white populations, tional independence is the primary they call for Templer to be has set up a chain reaction object of African nationalism. throughout all of Africa — The school teachers were the The school teachers were there- Kenya!

nationalism begins to reach ma- since the British went (uninvited) Even the "Black and Tans" are turity and white colonialism to Kenva! degenerates into the naked rule PEACEFUL ROAD CLOSED of the gun and the club.



A British overseer and a native policeman handcuff an African in Kenya accused of membership in the Mau Mau society. Hundreds of Africans have been killed while allegedly "resisting arrest" or by hanging after kangeroo trials. Thousands more have been thrown into concentration camps to break their resistance to British theft of natives' land.

for establishing the truth about persecution during which time the Kenya. It is generally admitted jails were filled with Indian that the massacres were the work that the Kikuyu are the most ad- "Kenyattas" and massacres like a symbol of African resistance. What took place at Kapenguria vanced and educated tribe in Cen- Amritsar fanned the flames of must be seen for what it really tral Africa - which explains, of nationalism. As for Ireland, course, their solid adherence to British terror was notorious. was - an incident in the war now raging between 25,000 whites, the cause of African independence. Sixteen men were summarily exretreats. For in order to lead his supported by 29,000 British troops. Their leaders are not witch doc- ecuted in 1916 and 101 were shot in the camp of the Kikuyu but it and armed police, and the three tors but people like Kenyatta, or hanged between 1921 and 1923 million almost unarmed and com- agricultural scientists educated in - quite apart from the thousands determine the nature of the movepletely disenfranchised Kikuyus. white universities and conversant of Irish patriots killed in battle. The revolt of the Kikuyu - for with and sympathetic to . . . But all this display of force did desire to be free of the white that is what it is - can only be socialism! (Kenyatta, for example, not succeed in Ireland, in India man's racial discrimination which understood as part of the great was once a member of the British or in America - and it will not, movement for national liberation Independent Labor Party.) in the long run, succeed in Kenya.

The Kikuyu long ago abandoned There are now 29,000 British the old tribal forms of organiza- troops and armed police in Kenya parts of Africa. The first impact tion. The so-called chiefs have in action against the Kikuyu peowas felt in the Gold Coast where been appointed and are paid by ple. Executions are now an everyin 1949, a highly developed and the British Government. They are day occurrence. Cattle have been in fact hirelings of the enemies confiscated in an effort to starve ment succeeded — although not of Kikuyu people — informers! the people into submission. Homes The closing of the schools be- have been burned down and thoumost of the leaders were jailed cause of their nationalist propo- sands of innocent people have ganda completely exposes the been arrested and confined in alleged purpose of British rule in rudely constructed concentration Kenya which is supposed to be camps where the gallows stand

national independence in the near solely for the purpose of "educat- threateningly in the center, of ing the natives up to the point the compound. Malan has lent of self-government." "Self-gov- police dogs to assist in the hunt. ernment" is meaningless without But "democrats" like Labor M. "Gold Coastism," as it is called national independence — and na- P. Paget are not satisfied. Loudly transferred from Malaya to

armed to the teeth and ready (and

York State Supreme Court Justice has just ruled that past

American colonies. membership in the Communist Party is not grounds for But the Mau Mau also kill dismissal of a public washroom attendant. The judge has innocent women and children. Do they? We have only got the word thus opened the way for subversive infiltration of one of of the Kenya Government for the most sensitive areas of the nation's security. that, the word of a Governmen

which represents the most brutal bunch of white killers in the Pinggera of 116 E. 120th St., Manhattan, a Swiss-Italian British Commonwealth. whole who became an American citizen in 1942. Pinggera, for The Kikuyu cannot refute these ten years a "temporary" New York City washroom atcharges because the Kikuyu have tendant, had carefully awaited the opportune moment to no press and all meetings are penetrate more deeply into the government apparatus. In banned. The whites can put about any story they like without any 1951, he felt the time was ripe for his next bold move; he fear of contradiction. Let us not took a civil service examination for "permanent" status. be too ready to believe them. His plot worked. In September 1952 he went on the payroll

ASSIST BRITISH

revolutionaries.

upholds his "right" to all the best

Those who want a revolution

made in accordance with rules

framed at Transport House will

want in vain. The Kikuyu have no

land stolen from the Kikuyu.

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as a full-fledged washroom attendant grade one - grade Why should revolutionary Afrione, no less - at \$2,110 a year. Then came the culmination cans want to murder their own of his cunning scheme. He was assigned to the St. Mary's people? Informers - yes, but not Park comfort station, St. Mary's Ave. and E. 149th - in nnocent women and children. But the Bronx! what is true is that these alleged

massacres are of the greatest Here he might have carried on his dirty work indefinoossible assistance to the whites! itely had fate not intervened in the form of a Municipal Fresh contingents of British Civil Service Commission investigation. Four months after troops are marched to the scene of the massacres, obviously to assuming his new status, Pinggera was called in by the ensure that these conscripted boys commission "for inquiry as to fitness." Under merciless from Kent and Lancashire do no interrogation, Pinggera broke down. To the horror of the feel any sympathy for the poor commissioners, he confessed he had belonged to the Compeople whom they are ordered munist Party from 1936 to 1939, when he was expelled to hunt and shoot down like dogs.

It is therefore entirely possible for criticizing the Stalin-Hitler pact. The commission fired him of government agents - not

Pinggera then applied all his craftiness. He appealed Mau Mau is not some kind of to the New York Civil Liberties Union which aided him reversion to barbarism. Certainly in obtaining a court hearing for reinstatement on his job. a few witch doctors will be found He found a dupe — if not worse — in the form of Justice Aron Steuer. On May 27, the judge ordered Pinggera reis not the witch doctors who instated, declaring in part: - it is the passionate

"It is a bit difficult to visualize how a washroom attendant in his official capacity can give aid to his country's enemies. To believe that the conspiracy involved in 'going underground' [the Civil Service Commission's claim] would be employed to obtain such a position borders on the fantastic.'

But do not think this ruling will go unchallenged. The ountry does not lack for vigilant patriots. The Wall Street Journal, for one, has not been taken in. It sternly enquires if Judge Steuer "knows all the facts about washrooms," adding that "as a Communist courier Whittaker Chambers used the subways, a dusty hole in the wall and even after he left the party he hid papers in a pumpkin. A washroom might fit quite as neatly into the twisted pattern of Comnunist schemings. . . . "

Why even J. Edgar Hoover will tell you that funny things can happen in washrooms and that even here we must practise patriotic vigilance to plug any leak that might endanger our national security.

- By Lewis Peterson



"The magistrate sat on the

This of course may only be a After the trial the magistrate party that has been of primary to induce them to concede to a conspirator." (Observer.)

The trial and conviction of Jomo Kenyatta the acknowledged capitalist powers, who are anxious Eisenhower's maneuvers -- even leader of three million Kikuyu for a slower pace toward another the small concessions he may be people has nothing to do with world war and highly concerned prepared to give - should not be justice or even with the mainabout achieving a more peaceful- taken as indicating he is trying tenance of "law and order." The

man, he is organizing America form of independent political or-Taft's declaration thus put the and the largest coalition of ganization of the African peo

the same brand of snide attack - ficult for an accused individual to and especially of the humbler answer charges against him by people who have nowhere to turn denying him access to the files. when agents of their own govern. The committee makes the pracment unjustly decide to destroy tice of preparing unverified files

There are indeed many "hum- dividuals. These files, to which bler people" who have been vic- the accused are denied access. are timized for years by the witch then used as the source of intrunt, when was launched officially formation leaked out to smear in 1947 by Truman through his anyone the committee wants to 'loyalty" purge order affecting injure or destroy. two million government employees. ATTACKS HOUSE GROUP "These files are released to the order has been the legless World War II veteran James Kutcher. who has been conducting an ungroups," said Bishop Oxnam, with ern Rhodesia and Nyasaland. remitting four-year fight, supported by hundreds of labor and reference to attacks on liberal Administration.

Mrs. Davis's appeal for ornever heard. ganized opposition to the witch "Falsehoods can be and are hunt should help arouse unified "Falsehoods can be and are action on the part of the labor filed — some of them planted movement and civil liberties there by renegade clergymen groups, as well as all other or. but no opportunity is given the ganizations concerned with the citizen to correct the falsehood by preservation of the Bill of Rights. filing the truth." Turning to the CIVIL WAR STARTS issue of the general assault on

### OXNAM'S DENUNCIATION

Another significant voice of op-

civil liberties in America, Bishop a scare campaign was launched Oxnam declared: "The nation is full of fear. The tion which was quite unheard of pressing our newspapers. But people. position to the campaign to intimidate, smear and silence even land that has never had a Gestapo up to last October). The body of you cannot suppress the voice of the most mildly liberal people is nor a Cheka secret police squad a murdered Kikuyu chief was the people. The brutality and sup-assiduously propagated against a nominated member of the Kenya that of Methodist Bishop G. is witnessing the growth of the discovered. Mau Mau was accused pression, the show of force and brave and oppressed people. Bromley Oxnam, long an out- number of 'investigators' of of the crime and from then on the rule of the gun will not stop spoken defender of liberal views private profiteering organizations the situation began rapidly to us from our goal..." and institutions in America. On May 28 he issued his sharpest for sale, and men who ought to war which exists in Kenya to-war will only any and the for the formation of the forma hunt, singling out for special all 'controversial persons,' un-

attack the House Un - American aware that to appease these conaware that to appease these con-temporary brothers of Stalin and closed down forcibily. Then, in shall retaliate in the method you Mau Mau, writes: Activities Committee. Addressing some 250 Protestant of Hitler is a prelude to the day October 1952 an attack was made have employed. We shall not "The Kikuyu who take no active We believe that every socialist the paper before, opened the ing for answers to the political



authorized) to shoot any Kikuyu With their leaders arrested, on sight. The Jan. 4 Observer Malan's answer was to intheir press and schools closed describes these "black and tans" tensify his campaign for "apartheid" -- the complete political, down, and the country under -- this so-called police reserve -them. I stand ready to join with which contain loose and unsub- economic and social subjugation martial law, it became clear to in the following terms: "In the other right-thinking citizens, if stantiated imputations of "sub- of the black people who, of all the Kikuyu that the white police reserve there were young such an organization is formed." versive" activities against in- course, constitute the vast ma- minority had shut the democratic, men of whom 'undisciplined jority of the total population. His peaceful road to national inde- sadists' would not be an unfair declared aim is to defend "white pendence. The majority had either description . . . boasting of the passively to submit to permanent way they had beaten prisoncivilization" against African napolitical, economic and social dis- ers. . . In Southern Rhodesia the whites

crimination - or resist with the The terror has been accurately only means available, by force. looked to Malan for leadership. described by the correspondent of They decided — as all oppressed the Economist on March 21: "It is Central African Federation for peoples faced with the same choice quite probable that ugly things them became a means of achievhave always decided - To resist. are now happening in Kenya. The ing permanent white domination members of Congress and through ever the bordering, and pre- The young men fled to the hills number of Kikuyu shot 'trying to them to the press and other dominantly black areas of North- and the forests and prepared, escape,' 'for refusing to halt,' or with their knives against British 'attempting to wrest a sten gun (There are, of course, solid Sten guns, to continue the fight from a guard whilst under liberal groups, to get restored to Protestant clergymen. "But the economic reasons for Federation until justice was won. And from arrest,' has suddenly risen. Yet. his job as clerk with the Veterans individual himself is never inter- from the point of view of British their forest camps the leaders of the Kikuyu are said by the whites viewed, his writings and speeches capitalism, but it is with the poli- the so-called Mau Mau (which is, to be inherently cowardly peonever studied, and he himself tical aspect that we are here in reality the revolutionary wing ple. It is either a brave or a very of Kenya African Nationalism) desperate man who will try with

In Kenya the impact of "Gold issued this manifesto whose pub- his bare hands to wrest a sten lication was forbiden in Kenya: |gun from his guard."

"You must feel very happy at The press of this country, all the outward success of your cruel the Government speakers and wards Kenya African nationalism. operation. Thousands of Africans be it admitted - most of Labor's leading a normal life have been main spokesmen paint Mau Mau

stopped. searched, beaten, humi- as some kind of "relapse into

barbarism," a sort of "wild blood "You destroyed our press by lust" which has unaccountably against Mau Mau (an organiza- arresting our editors and sup- swept over a normally peaceful

SUPPORTED BY PEOPLE

will murder us. We are not Kikuyu population. The same

Denounced as "hotbeds of na-tionalism," everyone of them was we will kill you like you are and supplying them with food, so-called Mau Mau. Walter Sisulu, Eisenhower regime and its antiwholesale arrests of leaders like issued by an unarmed people swift and terrible). There can be We regard Mau Mau as a months sub. Kenyatta who were jailed "on forced to flee before the guns little doubt that probably the legitimate organization of the

British cruiser anchored in Mom- Irish under similar circumstances. The leaders of African national- have no press to speak for them, bassa harbor. Emergency laws The American colonists waged ism have never disguised their their case is not put before the

began in earnest. The closing of the Kikuyu their independence. The Indian the "loyal Kikuyu." They have do if we are to maintain the honor offer gave me the confidence that for \$1.85 sent in with his renewal and billing these traitors of British Labor. schools is of great significance people suffered a century of never denied killing these traitors of British Labor.

THE MILLIANT ARMS

Although the campaign for sub-|first afternoon Janet and I had scriptions to The Militant was visited about six people and got concluded several weeks ago, the three subs.,

comrades who par-"The next Sunday brought one ticipated in the work six - months sub from a person have not forgotten who had never taken our paper their experiences, before, but who was interested Subgetting, as well in our program. We spoke to him as the regular sale for about a half hour answering of single copies, con- his questions and selling both tinues to be an im- him and his friend a copy of the portant task for members of the Socialist Workers Party, What It Militant Army, who Is and What It Stands For. Anrecognize the need to other year sub was sold to a vetspread the ideas of eran who had taken our paper for

socialism throughout the whole six months and just needed to be year. The experiences of the cam- visited to renew. paign have given fresh inspira-"In between that Sunday and

tion to veteran subgetters. And new comrades who were a little "In between that Sunday and the following one, I had gained hesitant at the beginning of the campaign found that it is easy to sell The Militant because the sub from each and sold two more sub from each and sold two more pamphlets.

One of these comrades is Renee, "A week later I received a call a New York member of the Mili- from one of them who was very "apartheid" which is supported a New 1018 memory of sold The enthusiastic about the Hansen Militant at meetings and on the pamphlet and confessed that while campus, but door-to-door sub- she was a liberal when I was still getting was a new experience for in elementary school she had not her. At the end of the campaign known of our ideas. She now she was in first place in the local wants to become better acquaintcontest, winning the prize of Du- ed with them. Bois' book Black Reconstruction.

"A young Compass Club mem-Here is her account of what the ber was my next contact. After several long discussions he took "Having never gone out on a a sub, a Hansen pamphlet going

Terror will only spread the fire Janet. I'll never forget how I felt tant to another office worker whom I had known for years. It "A middle - aged woman, who seemed to be just the right time, worked in a factory and had taken for the girl too seemed to be look-

ministers at a conference of the when the demagogue takes over on the Kikuyu schools which had forget the bad treatment we are part in Mau Mau attacks, but must place himself on the side of door. We told her who we were questions of today, remarking, the Kikuyu people themselves. When our time comes who give the Mau Mau gangs at the Kikuyu who are fighting in both pleasant and friendly. We tical nowadays?'

"On the last Sunday of the cam-Eisenhower regime and its anti-paign Janet and I sold another sub murdering us today. This is no are not just terrorized into doing secretary of the South' African labor nature. She agreed that this to The Militant after a ten-minute Protests from the Kenya threat. It is how we are feeling, so. The Mau Mau gets a degree National Congress, is reported by was certainly the time for a discussion with a person who had of sympathy which is not entirely the Observer as saying - "The workers to read a worker's paper never read the paper before. I'm wolltical organization of the No socialist can fail to be born of fear (although Mau Mau entire African people are bitter designed to give the news as it certainly proud that I was the top Kikuyu people - were met with moved by this brave declaration reprisals against informers are against the British Government. affects his life. She took a six- subgetter in New York, but more than what I did for the campaign

"Need I say that a minute after is what the campaign did for me." suspicion of organizing Man and dogs of an alien power. It majority of the Kikuyu believe Kenya Africans." With that we meeting her I had lost all shyness Our sincere thanks to S. R. of and fear? I began chiming in with New York for his contribution of

The embattled people of Kenya Janet as I realized this woman, as \$20 to help meet the printing costs the other people I later got subs of The Militant. Thanks also to from, was friendly because she the friend S. R. of New York for were introduced and . . . civil war a three-year war against British hatred of informers - the ap- British people. We must do it for felt the truth of our ideas. Under- \$10; to J. K. of San Francisco for

other methods but force to secure their freedom. It is not their paper fulfills a real need. choice - it has been imposed upon them by the brutal policy of

JOMO KENYATTA, leading

Kenya nationalist figure, has

been framed up and sentenced

by the British rulers to seven

years imprisonment at hard

labor, on the false charge he

organized and inspired the Mau

Mau movemet among Kikuyu

tribesmen who are in revolt to

win their international libera-

by whites throughout Africa.

tion.

OTHERS INVOLVED

And not only the Kikuyu are involved. All the tribes are await-

ing the outcome of the struggle.

The arrest of Odede who is not a Legislative Council is proof of campaign meant to her:

that. The battle for African inde-

First the entire independent afraid. . . We are six million and correspondent quoted above, who and guarantee a gigantic blood when she rang the first bell.



Another Witch-Hunt Victim

Through perjury trials, the witch hunters have been securing convictions in American courts on the basis of guilt by association. Flushed by success they are now moving to undermine the right of trial by jury. This is involved in the case of the young scientist William Perl who has been convicted "on two counts of perjury."

The Department of Justice has worked for years to link this former physics instructor at Columbia University, and one of the country's leading experts on jet propulsion, with the so-called "atomic spy ring." The jury exonerated Perl of any association with three members of this "spy ring.'

But the government did show at the trial that "Perl was in '38 City College class with Rosenberg and Sobell, each graduating with engineering degrees." The government further showed that Perl had "met" Rosenberg and Sobell "in 1944 and 1946" (N.Y. Herald-Tribune, May 23). On the basis of such evidence, every member of City College class of '38, with or without "engineering degrees," is henceforth suspect and under a threat of investigation or indictment; and the same thing goes for all who happened to have encountered members of the alleged "spy ring," including — the convicted Perl.

Not satisfied with establishing thereby one more precedent for conviction on the basis of guilt by association, the Department of Justice and the FBI have opened an attack on the right to trial by jury.

The government failed to produce a scrap of evidence concerning Perl's alleged participation in the "spy ring," a case which itself has been challenged by eminent authorities, including the world-famous atomic scientist Harold Urey. Yet the prosecutor had the gall to announce in court that the FBI had suddenly come into

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possession of "information 'directly' tying The situation has been passed over Perl with the Rosenberg spy ring. Mr. Martin (Ass't U.S. Attorney) said this secret data could not be made public but would sorship has become part of the be supplied to the judge in private before sentence is imposed June 5." (Same ties and intellectual freedom. source.)

The right to trial by jury is the product of centuries of struggle by the popular of obscenity have been extended masses to participate in the judicial process. Without it democratic rights and civil liberties are a fiction. Why? Because there is no safeguard whatever against the courts being used as instruments of oppression and tyranny if the power to judge what the facts are upon evidence laid before the courts is left to the presiding magistrate.

It is the juries — and no one else who must decide whether the evidence attack on freedom of publication ridicule any person or persons by way to patronize them, they were laid before the court is true. Such evidence has been spearheaded by the Namust be presented openly to the jury, with the defendant guaranteed a speedy and public trial. All this is guaranteed by the of Catholics. Bill of Rights. But Eisenhower's Department of Justice, particularly the FBI, are Catholic Church, whose prestige tional to ban objectionable litera-tional to ban objectionable litera-tional to ban objectionable litera-tional to ban objectionable litera-tional by E. C. the freedom of the press." now moving to violate all this. They propose, in fact, to prohibit the participation been engaged in a powerful and thing." of the people in the judicial process. They well - financed campaign against Star-Chamber procedures, back to the of separation of state and church, kind of book-hunting has taken that was believed to be subversive force publishers to impose selfpractices of totalitarian regimes.

The organized workers must sound the tee, active in the publication Chaucer. alarm. If such a precedent is allowed to be established in the Perl case, the unions will presently find themselves at the mercy of the courts - on the basis of "secret evidence" presented "in private" to the judge.

This legal thuggery must be denounced for what it is. If the FBI or Department of Justice has any "information" against Perl, let them present this "secret data" in court before a duly constituted jury Hands off the RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY!

and elsewhere have been banning books on the grounds of obscenity. humorously, because such a ban FAMOUS AUTHORS was a guarantee of increased sales. Today, however, book cengeneral attack against civil liber-The hand of the censor i

eaching into cities all over the country, and the original grounds Apuleius. to include any attitude considered bjectionable by the self-appointed

censors. This is all the more significant magazines, have long had a selfimposed censorship, and publishconformity was still possible.

Appropriately enough, this are obscene, immoral, or lewd, or from people who went out of their tional Organization of Decent Literature (NODL), backed by the Chicago Archdiosese Council

and many aspects of progressive place. The State of Georgia is of morals, allegiance or faith." education. The NODL Commit- now deciding whether to ban In Middlesex County, N. J., a field, is but one of many efforts

Literature has banned 26 titles. This committee circulates a na-In Youngstown, Ohio, Police

munist-inspired.' tional blacklist, and by applying Chief Edward J. Allen, Jr., has It objects to Cage of Darkness, the political pressure of the or- forced distributors to "remove by Rene Masson, because "the witch - hunting atmosphere wil ganized Church and enlisting the many pocket-sized books under

support of Congressmen Mc- threat of arrest. Carthy, Jenner, Velde, the Amer-Censorship has been active in officers.

mittee, has forced many police North Carolina and Oklahoma. The hunt has new reached even officials to use this list as a the large cities. Police in Clevebasis for local action. land have banned pocket - sized

editions of Freud's General In-

Among the authors banned re- troduction to Psychoanalysis becently by this and similar groups | cause "it contains a chapter on have been: Faulkner, Richard sex.'

Wright, Caldwell, Hemingway, Police censorship is in force in Dos Passos, Maupassant, D. H Detroit. Lawrence, Howard Fast, Anna

In Brooklyn the Catholic Decent Seghers, Maugham, Freud and Literature Committee has pres sured sixteen stores into stop-

The scope of this trend is exping the sale of 414 publications, emplified by an ordinance in St. under threat of economic boycott Cloud, Minnesota, which outlaws A local church committee made books and periodicals that "pro- the rounds of neighborhood candy when we consider that mass- minently feature an account of stores, urging them to remove communication media, such as horrors, robberies, murders, arson, from their shelves a number of radio, cinema, television and assault with caustic chemicals, books, including novels by some assault with a deadly weapon, of America's foremost authors. burglary, kidnapping, mayhem, Those stores which resisted found ing was virtually the only field rape, theft, voluntary man- that their sales dropped off in which some amount of non-slaughter, ridicule of law enfor- alarmingly. Although at first they cement or parental authority; or received sporadic encouragement

reason of race, creed, or color; finally forced to yield. or advocate un-American or sub-An ominous indication of the gress" versive activities."

Mrs. Elmer Barg, chairman of the board, commented: "It isn't a gressional investigating commit- tradition founded upon the con- protest. They usually decry For some time now, the matter of whether it is constitu- tee on "Current Pornographic stitutional provision guaranteeing attacks on books and the press, and influence have greatly in- ture. It's just that young people Gathings of Arkansas. The Gathcreased in the post-war years, has shouldn't be reading that kind of ings committee, although osten- ing that such legislation would be law and the general onslaught

sibly concerned only with porno- unconstitutional in the light of against radicals and the labor St. Cloud is but one of many graphic materials, nevertheless past court decisions, has used the propose to start turning the clock back to the traditional American concept smaller communities where this refers in its report to "content threat of federal legislation to

> It attacks The Haters, by John Wood asked colleges through-Theodore Strauss, because "the out the nation to submit their

author was obviously trying to textbooks to the Un-American to force an authoritarian pattern Committee on Objectionable cash in on the Scottsboro pro-Committee for approval. This Negro agitation which was comattempt failed, but the Gathings Committee has requested new ap-

> author does not seem to like the upper classes or law-enforcement

Rene Mayer (1.) shortly after he quit as French premier in internal crisis is shown talking to a reporter. Mayer's government fell the same day Eisenhower announced plans for a secret Big Three meeting in Bermuda. The unstable French capitalist government has had 17 changes of regime since the end of World War II.

The report implies that it | tionally organized basis. It has strongly favors federal censor- remained restricted mainly to ship. It urges an "effort by Con- small academic and other proagainst publishers and fessional groups which feel pernational scope of this movement favors new laws which will limit sonally threatened by the witch is the recent activity of a con- "the liberal conception of the hunt, and who have limited their The committee itself, as if fear-

while remaining strangely silent on the Smith Act, Taft-Hartley

movement as a whole. What is needed to halt the minous trend toward censorship censorship. Four years ago, Rep. in America is organization of a vigorous, militant protest movement. This should be coupled with political resistance to the witch hunt. This means building an independent Labor Party that can defeat both the Republicans and propriations and in the current Democrats, the two capitalist

parties responsible for the cur-Opposition to this movement rent drive to gut the book shelves has not crystallized on a na- of America.

**SWP Leadership Plans Activities** 

or the other - with the aim of he was addressing, had a world This settlement of the dif- clarifying the issues; with the historic importance. "The present situation in the

world shows the long-delayed "I think we are all aware that revolution marching with sevenhusiastically received by the we have participated in a historic league boots. The decline of whole body as providing a solid plenum. It will be regarded in capitalism seems to be symto ride to power in the United States just basis for comradely collabora- future times as a turning point, metrically matched by the rise an event of transcendent im- of tremendous revolutionary move-National Committee un-portance for the socialist revolu- ments and the strengthening of animously voted to exchange the tion in the United States. For the the revolutionary currents, posts now held by the principal revolution is not simply the especially now in the colonial officers of the Socialist Workers struggle for power, and the world.

"From all indications, a revival Monitor, the Russians have reof the American Trotskyist move-ment, was elected National Chair-insm. The revolution is also the preparatory powied the prior of the spirit and all of its spirit and all of its previous and food in recent of state control of the Russian many. Farrell Dobbs presidential Party. James P. Cannon, founder transformation of the social man; Farrell Dobbs, presidential the preparatory period, the period power, is germinating in the

World Events By Charles Hanley

weeks, "stripping East Germany 22 that the guilty officials, who

MOSCOW ANNOUNCED the for only a fraction of each lissolution of the Soviet Control year. . . Shipyards and other Commission in East Germany May heavy metal products plants of 28. Military administration is Italy as a whole are operating replaced by a civilian High Com- at only 50% to 60% of capacity... missioner, Vladimir Semenov. Much discontent again will be Military commander Vassily reflected in votes for the Com-Chuikov will be limited to commanding Soviet occupation troops | Nenni socialists" (in the coming in East Germany. According to | elections). the May 28 Christian Science

probably get them.

circles."

munists and their fellow-traveling

NIKOLAI VASILIEV, Minister

**McCarthy's Threat to Labor** McCarthy is while he's still just a When will the American labor movement become fully awakened to the menace Senator...

"McCarthy is using the Communist issue as Mussolini used the Red issue in Italy and Hitler used the Bolshevik menace in Germany.

"Does that sound ridiculous? Let's keep

it that way, and not turn it into prophecy. . .'

upon America.

tion.

The

The truth is that nothing less than a

(Continued from page 1) ferences and preparation of a aim of teaching each other and new stage of the discussion was learning from each other. inanimously passed and en-

who pointed out that it is hard to say whether McCarthy or Eisenhower has more power in the U.S. Another is Bertrand Russell who predicted in the N.Y. Times Magazine, that McCarthy would become the ruler of the U.S. in the not-toodistant future.

Already, large sections of public opinion,

educators, clergy, etc., have seen the

extent of the danger. Especially in foreign

countries, for example in Britain, the

meaning of the demagogue McCarthy and

his intentions have been widely explained.

One example is Labor Party leader Attlee,

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A good sign can be found in the May issue of the United Automobile Worker, published by the UAW-CIO. At the end of a long editorial on McCarthy, the paper says:

"You can't shun McCarthy any more than you-could shun Hitler and Mussolini. By the time the world woke up to the truth about Hitler and Mussolini, the blood bath was drawn and waiting. The time to get

determined stand by the labor movement candidate of the party in the in which we are living now. And Soviet Union again, promising to forces in the nation that oppose him today National Secretary. are weak and unreliable. They can capitulate to McCarthy in the same way that liberal opposition capitulated to Hitler and ceedings as follows: Mussolini. In any event, without the labor movement, no opposition can make a Hegel, that a party proves its

The conditions are present for a poweris now.

# Oil Trust's Welfare State

Five giant oil companies are charged by the federal government with conspiring to monopolize the country's domestic and foreign oil trade. They control 81.5% of the world's estimated oil reserves, 55% of the refining capacity of all capitalist countries, two-thirds of the world's privately owned tanker fleet and virtually all pipelines outside the United States.

This vast empire, / the government charges, is maintained through "a concert of action" among the five together with 33 jointly owned companies which they created. They curtail domestic production of petroleum to favor the importation of their foreign petroleum and to artificially fix domestic and world prices. They divide foreign producing and marketing territories and exclude other companies from the "opportunity" to engage in the lucrative foreign oil operations and importations. They pool their facilities, monopolize patents and processes, swallow up other companies engaged in foreign trade and jack up profits on government contracts by submitting non-competitive bids.

These marauding operations are criminal violations of a whole raft of "anti-trust" laws. Yet they are the characteristic, normal practices of modern Big Business in every major industry. The laws against monopolies have not retarded the growth of the giant monopolies and their rise to the commanding heights of the entire economy. They have not stood in the way of In his speech at its close Com-

successful stand against McCarthy.

spirit of concern over the high-riding demagogue is starting to find its way into

Big Money taking over the government seen the firm consolidation of a the party that creates the proitself lock, stock and barrel.

At first when the government filed looked like a serious attack upon monopoly. on for a few years. Then Big Business succeeded in installing the Eisenhower Administration. The criminal charge was minority. dropped. It was replaced merely by a civil suit. Finally, the government of Big Busi- have been secured and guaranteed great delays and needless defeats. ness, which appeared to be prosecuting its at the plenum by an agreement own flesh and blood like a benefactor of after a hard year-long struggle, tidelands.

growth of the monopolists.

oil scandal once again shows that the people are without a government of their own. They need a Workers and Farmers Government which would legislate Big Business billionaire thieves.

"Engels once said, quoting right to exist by the fact that it

Party has proved that it can stand to a great historic mission. a faction fight of the greatest "The most important question severity and intensity, and still of the workers' movement is the the labor press. The time to begin the fight preserve and even strengthen its question of the party - which is the question of the leadership

unity. "In my opinion, we have of the workers' movement. By the cemented here a real anl genuine same token, the most important unity, which has two antagonistic question of the party is the quesand yet supplementary aspects. tion of the party leadership. We On the one hand, the plenum has know, of course, that it is not

majority group, which can now gram. It is the program that lead the party with unchallenged creates the party, as well as its authority. On the other hand, the leading staff.

criminal charges against the oil empire it plenum has shown a strong "But this does not happen minority of qualified comrades, automatically. It requires human That was under Truman. The case dragged with many talents, who have not intervention at the right time. surrendered or been asked to sur- If this intervention comes at the render any of their opinions or right time, historical periods are any of their normal rights as a leaped over, and much time is gained. If the human interven-

"Party unity and party peace tion is not available, there are of the majority and the minority, THE SWP

"The most important party in the people, rewarded the oil bandits with on the basis of a definite and the entire world is the Socialist the fabulous gift of the black gold in the clearly established relation of Workers Party. It is the party forces. For that reason, I think with the greatest historical

we have a right to confidence mission ever given to a group of Trillions of dollars worth of public off- that the party unity and the party people on this planet. Trotsky shore oil resources are being transferred peace are firmly based and secure. wrote in 1929, in his first letter by Congress to the oil trust under guise of their allocation to the states. No matter And it will be a most beneficent analysis all the problems of this what the outcome of the government suit peace for the party, in two epoch will be solved on American against Big Oil will be, this latest robbery respects. First, the party work soil; that, although in order of of the people will still further speed the will be developed unitedly, and precedence it seemed that the with more spirit and energy than

for a long time. Second, the other countries than in the United That is the way the government of Big party patriotism of the members States, a change in the historical Business punishes Big Business crime. The of both factions will be stronger order was easily possible which than ever, and they will compete might put America in the first with each other in friendly rivalry rank; and that in any case, a to prove who are the best party social crisis could arise in this

country much sooner than anyone eral Motors president, recently builders and party doers. "The discussion of questions in assumed, and from the beginning told a Senate appropriations subout of existence and begin to utilize the dispute, whether fully developed have a, very feverish develop- committee hearing on the counor merely tentative and embryonic, ment. And Trotsky said that the try's tremendous manufacturing people instead of a profiteering gang of atmosphere, without factional is that it is necessary to prepare. sults or denigration on one side our founding conference, which war.'

can roll back McCarthyism. The other 1948 and 1952 elections, becomes the most important part of the bring into the arena as an indepreparation for the revolution is pendent factor the immeasurable the building of a Leninist party power of the new Soviet prolerade Cannon summarized the which alone can organize and lead tariat, which now matches the significance of the plenum pro- the struggle for power in this mighty proletariat of the United country and carry it through to States in numbers and social irreversible victory. weight.

"In the factional struggle which has culminated in the peace agree- moving in the world now con- drawal of the Soviet Army." In Minister, who is in London for splits and can stand a split. We ment at this plenum, the party front as their mortal enemy, the their opinion, the Soviets may be the coronation . . . has run into have seen that law demonstrated has demonstrated its right to live, great power of American im-cranking up a genuine German an embarrassment in the form of ful labor unity against the fascist from in the past history of our party and its ability, by its own inner perialism, with its program of unity drive, and are prepared to a song 'Don't Malign Malan' sung Wisconsin. The ranks of labor are begin- on several occasions. At this resources, to conquer the prob-war and counter-revolution, go through with it. But they nightly by an American Negro ning to show more awareness, and this plenum, the Socialist Workers lems which challenged its claim designed to arrest the development of the revolutionary process east zone. . ."

"As long as this power remains, with its capacity for military tentative, pending the outcome of the struggle with this monster development of an economy for use - the transitional development of China and all the colonial countries to a higher system of organized and planned economy unconstitutional. . . Prospects for

utilizing the most modern techniques — is threatened and arrested at every step by the necessity to defend the revolutionary gains against the aggression of this monstrous reac-

ionary power of American imperialism. "We are all convinced that the

course of the world revolution is now irreversible. But the speed at Brussels daily La Lanterne.

which it develops, and the time between the present and the eventual socialist transformation balance until the issue is settled in the United States. For the pendent" final decision of the issue of capitalism or socialism will be made, as Trotsky said, on American soil. It is from this circumstance that comes our great historical mission. It is from this comes our great destiny."

Capitalism's Dilemma

Charles E. Wilson, former Gen- haps demonstrations which could modifies from production to condisturb the peace."

of money." This admission belies "TWO MILLION of Italy's the Stalinist propaganda that soworkers are unemployed - one cialism has been achieved in the wealth of the country for the needs of the can now be conducted in a calm conclusion from this perspective capacity that one trouble is that out of every ten members of the Soviet Union and shows that labor force," the June 1 Wall vestiges of capitalism are still "nobody has thought what we're bias or exaggeration, without in- From that point of view, he said, going to do if we don't have a Street Journal declares. "An strong in the degenerated workestimated two million more work ers state.

bare in a manner that has started framed - up and tortured Jewish serious speculation in Allied doctors into making "confessions" They report that the of crimes they did not commit, tactics of recent weeks "have have been punished. Vasiliev did amounted to a take while the not announce the nature of the taking is good" and that this punishment. 'may be clearing the decks for a quick move in some political "DR. DANIEL F. MALAN,

"All the revolutionary forces direction" possibly "eventual with- South Africa's racialist Prime want to give the West a ruined singer, Marie Bryant, in the London Hippodrome's current revue," reports the May 30 N. Y.

ANGLO-AMERICAN EFFORTS Times. "Dr. Malan's Nationalist to speed the rearmament of Ger- followers here, and other whites, devastation, every revolution many in preparation for war on are fuming over the song, which throughout the world remains the Soviet bloc still faces many pokes fun at South Africa's hurdles. According to a Bonn color bar, with international imreport in the May 31 N. Y. Herald plications." The song, one of the of American imperialism. The Tribune, "Dr. Adenauer has been most popular items in the revue, advised that the (West German was OKd by the Lord Cham-Supreme) Court is virtually cer- berlain, official censor of theaters tain to hold that several features in the United Kingdom. One of the of the (remilitarization) pacts are verses goes:

> complete ratification . . . before Don't malign Malan because he the general election set for next dislikes our tan.

September in West Germany have We know that it's wrong to have almost vanished." a skin that's all brown.

And wrong to be born on the MAO TSE-TUNG has ordered wrong side of town. a reform of the Chinese type of It is quite right that our filthy

writing and alphabet in order to old homes be burned down. facilitate the struggle against Malan is a wonderful man widespread illiteracy, says the Don't malign Malan,

He's doing the best he can.

sumer is accomplished by means

THE FRENCH IMPERIALIST PRAVDA REBUKED certain despots devaluated the currencies propagandists in the Soviet press of the entire world, hangs in the of Viet - Nam and Laos without who have been concentrating their seriously consulting the "inde- chief attention on the problem of governments of these transition from a system of colonies which have both been "commodity exchange," which is solemnly recognized by the U.S. a fundamental characteristic of as sovereign states. The Prime capitalism, to a system of Minister of Viet-Nam addressed "product exchange." The rebuke, a letter of protest to the French delivered May 29, said that government May 12, stating that "Product exchange can take the his country's independence had place of trade only as the result been violated by the French. He of an ideal organization of Soviet warned that "the devaluation of trade. This is a matter of the the piastre will probably provoke future. . . The development of the dissatisfaction of the entire Soviet trade is inseparably conpeople and might set in motion a nected with monetary circulation, Worried Secretary of Defense violent social agitation and per- since the movement of com-

# The Negro Struggle ----**Capitalist Future and Jobs**

### By Jean Blake

We have made the point on many occasions that Negroes in the United States, as a group, because they are Jim Crowed into a lower caste within the working class, have less illusions about capitalism and its future than even the working class as a whole.

Few Negroes, for example, are as naive as many white workers who fall for and repeat unquestioningly the propaganda dinned into our ears on the radio, in the schools, and through every other medium of expression — the propaganda that we have democracy, freedom and equality in our society.

Particularly in a period like the present, of relatively full employment in the richest and most productive capitalist country in the world, it is difficult for many white workers to recognize how the capitalist system discriminates against them as a class. They are not constantly being "hit in the belly," to use an old expression, by the injustice of a class system that reserves for a small minority of the population the ownership and control of the means of production and all the "rights" and privileges that go with that ownership.

It is true that many white workers are no longer such rock-ribbed believers in the stability of the capitalist system as they once were. Many workers realize how superficial the present "prosperity" is. They fear that capitalism can no longer maintain full production and employment withcut war.

But lack of confidence in capitalism is even more widespread among Negroes. They are closer than most whites to the unpleasant realities of capitalism and lisher of the Cleveland Call and Post (and column of May 23 what is generally recognized among his readers:

"Let's not kid ourselves; the present era of plenty of jobs and easy money will not last always. Eventually peace will descend will come a cessation of squandering of our up fares to 15 cents. This will be tax money on guns, ammunition and handarrive, jobs will not be as plentiful and fare increases spell about a \$200 spending money not as free. . .

"We are only fooling ourselves if we think that, because employment in the in which they live, economic conditions among many of our people are alarming."

Mr. Walker reflects what the Negro workers know about the future which capi- fathers sought to conceal their 1953-54 interest will have risen to talism has in store for them. But he offers own guilt. They threatened that \$114,900,000. These enourmous no program and therefore no leadership unless the Transit Authority was sums are sheer tribute to big pointing to a better future.

be done to change things, how to end the They pleaded that the Transit system many times over. A inequalities and injustices of capitalism and substitute the socialist system of production to serve and advance the human Mayor Impellitteri pointed his financial problem. race.

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# therefore have less illusions about the economic facts of life. W. O. Walker, publisher of the Cleveland Call and Post (and a supporter of capitalism), expressed in his column of May 23 what is generally rec. PUT OVER IN NEW YORK

### By David Stevens

By an 11 to 5 vote of the Board of Estimate on June 1, New York City's \$1,700,000,000 transit system was upon this war-weary world, and with peace leased to a five-man Transit Authority empowered to jack

the second fare increase since the to do a good job, is applying to traditional five - cent fare was the United States Mint at Philaouts in a desperate effort to buy friends raised to 10 cents in 1948. For the delphia for an emergency supply and allies. When this peace era does finally average New York family the two of tokens for more immediate use.

Where will the new millions of yearly boost in the cost of living. Without a public hearing, and dollars milked from the people by basing themselves on the 1948 turnstile robbery go? The fare legislation under the old corrupt increase is being demanded to big cities is plentiful and easy, the same O'Dwyer administration which make up for a prospective transit condition exists in the hundreds of smaller repealed the law requiring the operating deficit of \$47,000,000 consent of the people for any yearly. This deficit, however, towns of the state. Conditions in many of fare rise, the city administration could be turned into a net profit these towns are deplorable. Isolated and rammed through this decision if it were not for what is termed left to themselves, new to the community under cover of lame excuses and "servicing the debt." blame-shifting.

Each year the city turns over By giving the power to raise to a group of Wall Street sharks the fare to the newly created the "normal" payment of interest Transit Authority the city of \$72,800,000. For the year accepted they would be forced to money interests that over the

slash public services by \$97,000,- last 60 years have realized their Real leadership will indicate what must 000 to balance the city budget, initial investment in the transit They pleaded that the Transit system many times over. A Authority is part of a package moratorium on the debt would Students Report that will enable them to place stop the daily steal from the peoadditional taxes on real estate. ple and help solve the city's

No sooner was the Transit ministration.

nounced its hired engineers are shows its true class face in its certain that the transit coin-refusal to meet with the heads collecting machines can be ad- of the Transport Workers Union justed for a higher fare by the "at this time." It is too busy with meanwhile the Authority, anxious the coin-collecting machines.

**On L.A. Forum** Mayor Impellitteri pointea his infancial production requires a finger at Albany, whining that the Transit Authority "was forced of the present Wall Street ad-

week's Friday Night Forum, which features Marxist lecturers. Their fellow-students and the in hearing a Trotskyist analysis in class.

Their report was followed by juestions and discussion in which one student said he had really enjoyed his first visit to the

orum. He had asked the speaker, Milton Alvin, how and when world revolution would occur and thought this amusing and the tion, but did he have any evidence, iny facts?

The other student answered: Yes, almost all of Asia is in evolution, likewise the Middle East and Africa, and it's begining in South America."

These students are among a of the government to push through STOP THE EXECUTION!

| cannot fail to arouse admiration for those low people who have hastened to turn stool-pigeon for the witch hunters when threaten.

The unprecedented eagerness ed only with loss of employment.

Authority established than it an-The new Transit Authority

MONDAY, JUNE 8, 1953



PRES. RUFUS E. CLEMENT

of Atlanta University is the

first Negro elected to the

Atlanta, Georgia, Board of

Education. In the recent elec-

tion, Clement defeated his

white opponent by a vote of

22,142 to 13,800. Two other

Atlanta Negro leaders won in

primaries assuring victory. In

North Carolina last month, five

Negroes won in local elections.

Growing militancy of Negroes

in the South is responsible for

Raid on Jobless Fund Approved By Ohio Senate By L. Cooper AKRON, May 31 - Labor in Ohio was stunned last

week as the State Senate in Columbus passed bills 173 and 174, raiding the unemployment insurance funds and forcing an unemployed worker to accept any job offered him by (legislators) responded quickly

the unemployment office. The men and obediently. in the shops here are particularly Governor Lausche, a Democrat, indignant at the slave-labor has spoken out against state provisions of bill 174, which com- senate bill 173, warning of the pels an unemployed worker to absence of funds in case of a 'investigate any referral" to a major depression. To date he has job or forfeit benefits. The made no statement about the present law states that the unem- slave - labor provisions of senate ployed worker must accept bill 174. Also, he is still "reflect-'suitable work." This has given ing," he says, as to whether the unemployed unionists and others proviso in bill 174 granting a \$2 some leeway in avoiding the weekly increase in benefits "would lowest-paid sweatshop jobs ofbe adequate." This in face of the fered them by the unemployment fact that organized labor has

HAND-OUT TO BOSSES Bill 173 cuts in half the annual

office.

LABOR CONFERENCE

tance increase!

severely condemned such a pit-

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Labor cannot rely on the contributions of Ohio employers Governor even though he may at to the state unemployment fund. This fund now has \$650 million in times wax eloquent against the it of which \$120 million is accrued Chamber of Commerce crowd. interest. Under the proposed bill, First, organized labor must this interest would be credited to have regular representatives at the present 85,000 Ohio employers the unemployment offices to as advance payments to the un- defend the rights of all workers. employment insurance fund and Secondly, labor must call a great they would henceforth pay only rank and file state conference to 57 cents per \$100 payroll instead plan the fight against bills 173 Two students from the University of their present payments of \$1.04 and 174 and the so-called anti-

per \$100 payroll. The State of subversive bills being sponsored in the Legislature, primarily the lion per year instead of the Devine bill 308, which would inpresent \$80 million. stitute a police state against free

The chief beneficiaries of this thought and militant labor in bonanza would be five Ohio em-Ohio. The latter bills are also professor were quite interested ployers who would be credited condemned by the state CIO. An Ohio Conference of Labor

with close to 50% of this \$120 of developments in the Soviet million. These "hardship" cases in Columbus to stay the hand of Union, as these were not covered are Goodyear, General Motors, Big Business could initiate great Youngstown Sheet and Tube, public actions and demonstrations Republic Steel and U.S. Steel, and plan a state labor party as an The bill was openly sponsored by answer to corporations which are the Ohio Chamber of Commerce now planning to raid the treasury and, of course, its puppets and enslave labor.

# had been answered: "You are Demand Witch-Burners Halt living in one now." The class thought this amusing and the professor said: "Yes, the Trot-skyists talk about world revolu-Legal Murder of Rosenbergs

(Continued from page 1) promised to produce at the trial for the Rosenbergs and contempt later spoke out against both verdict and "evidence."



ports has been to make it appear as though 'thirteen Britons," aided by a group of "servants," made this successful attempt on Everest, and that one mountain climber,

Just leave it to the capitalist racists to add their quota of bitterness to the thrill that ran through the world when the news



The scaling of Mount Everest, a magnificent personal achievement for the two men who stood at its summit for the first time in human history, is also a symbol of the striving of mankind for the highest peaks in every region of endeavor.

Capitalism could not permit this event to pass, however, without adding the taste of ashes to the draught. In a news account of the climb, the N.Y. Times inserted "the following paragraph:

"The twenty Sherpa guides belong to a caste of mountain dwellers on the southern slopes of the Himalayas, with their capital at Namche Bazar. They have been an indispensable part of this, as of every preceding Mount Everest expedition.

"Seven Sherpas died on the mountain in the 1922 expedition and many others have died since with later expeditions. But the supply of these good-humored, devoted and highly courageous men never fails."

One would think that the Times could, at least this once, restrain itself from introducing the note of condescending chauis stronger in such people than human solidarity, even on this occasion, when a deadline date of July 30. In the the pressing problem of adjusting Nepalese citizen stood together with a New Zealander on the tallest summit of the earth.

Another "slip" in the same story fails even to list the Indian, Tensing Norkay, one of the two who made it to the top, as a member of the expedition. Still elsewhere, it is reported that "the British climbers" had given Queen Elizabeth a "world-shaking coronation present." Again, it is reported that the expedition consisted of "thirteen Britons."

In general, the total effect of the reaccompanied by an inferior assistant whose achievement has naturally a lesser significance, reached the top.

**UAW** Thaws GM Contract

By Ernest Rief LOS ANGELES, May 30

these gains.

of Southern California have given Ohio would take in only \$40 mila report in their senior class in modern political thought on last

vinism which one feels in these words. Apparently, however, imperialist hauteur

of the conquest of Everest came across the wires.

# Notes from the News

THE TWO LARGEST UNIONS in this country, the CIO United Automobile Workers and Steel-, workers have advanced the guaranteed annual wage as one of their main demands. At his news conference last week President Eisenhower asserted that the demand was entirely up to the unions and management with the government disclaiming any intention to "interfere."

WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, 72-year-old National Chairman of the Communist Party, was judged too ill to stand trial on the five-year-old indictment charging violation of the Smith "Gag" Act and Judge Sylvester Ryan granted an indefinite continuance. The Stalinist chieftain has a bad heart condition and the court-appointed physicians admitted that bringing him to trial would lead to the "grave possibility of serious (perhaps fatal) consequences to the defendant or of permanent impairment to his health."

\* \* \* WALTER REUTHER "is in periodic communication with the White House, and his requests for appointments with President Eisenhower are honored with comparative alacrity," Marguerite Higgins reveals in the May 31 N. Y. Herald Tribune. The head of the CIO and the United Automobile Workers told the reporter that the CIO favored Adlai E. Stevenson in the last election and that "if the CIO had it to do over again, it would probably support Mr. Stevenson again." What labor got out of supporting Stevenson, Reuther did not say. Nor did he report any benefits from his social calls on Eisenhower.

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TEN MEMBERS of Local 222, CIO Oil Workers International Union won office in the recent elections in Lockport, Ill., according to Federated Press June 1. The offices won by union men include the top position of mayor, which was taken by Daniel T. Lambert, head of the Peoples Party. William J. Brown and Norman F. Solley were elected aldermen. Joseph Darin, a former Local 222 member, was also elected alderman. Other Oil Worker members won on the Democratic ticket. In nearby Joliet township another Local 222 member was elected assistant supervisor. In Rockford, four CIO members won office and Milton Lundstrom of the AFL International Typographical Union was elected mayor. William E. White, president of the American Newspaper Guild Local was named city clerk. Three other CIO members were elected aldermen.

STUART DENTON MORRIS, British clergyman and General Secretary of Great Britain's Peace Pledge Union, who was detained by immigration authorities at Ellis Island for two weeks on a finding he was an inadmissible alien, was released May 29. He came to the U.S. on a 60-day permit to lecture for the War Resisters League. The Board of Immigration Appeals suled that there was no evidence the 63-year-old

Quaker, spokesman would attempt to seduce troops from their allegiance or that his organization urged resistance to military conscription or illegal avoidance of conscription. Because o his detention, Mr. Morris lost 12 lecture engage ments but said that he had been treated cour teously. Courtesy of the witch hunt that is.

AMBASSADOR TO ITALY, Clare Boothe Luce, declared in Rome 10 days before the election that the Italians had better vote right or suffer the consequences of loss of aid from the United States. The State Department and the Vatican are backing the De Gasperi slate. Mrs. Luce, a prominent Catholic like McCarthy, motivated her opposition to letting the Italians make a free, democratic electoral choice by talking about the "wiles of totalitarianism" to which the Italian people might fall "unhappy victims."

NEW YORK DOCKERS can clean up waterfront gangsterism and corrupt union officials by following the example of the fur workers, Francis Worker. The fur workers were confronted with similar conditions, he says. "They had to fight the Lepke mob. They organized fighting squadrons. Whenever the gangsters beat up a union official or perpetrated other acts of violence, a signal was sounded in the fur district and fur workers came pouring out of the shops, converged on the trouble area, and DEFEATED the gangsters. Take a gun away from a gangster and inevitably he is a craven coward. The fur workers cleaned up the industry and built a powerful union."

IRVING FERMAN, Washington Director of the American Civil Liberties Union expressed his organization's opposition to all wiretapping in testimony before a Congressional committee. However, he cancelled out this position by saying that "if" national security "requires" the legalization of wiretapping then it should be used only in cases involving "treason, sabotage, espionage, kidnapping, or threatened kidnapping.' In McCarthy's dictionary militant union activities. including strikes, comes within the meaning of 'sabotage" and anyone who thinks differently from the Wisconsin senator can be considered committing "treason."

the Alsops, must be made "be-addition, it can tap rich veins of AN AVOWED ATHEIST won citizenship fore autumn" and they give three revenue simply by taxing unused papers when a federal Circuit Court of Appeals reasons "why such a grave poli- corporate capital and undistribureversed a lower court decision that an atheist tical risk must now be weighed ted profits; by putting a 100% cannot be granted citizenship. The case involved and perhaps accepted." tax on all incomes over \$25,000 a Wladyslaw Plywacki, a former citizen of Poland First, they point to the fact year; and by putting a 100% tax and inmate of Nazi concentration camps. A judge that the budget is not in balance on all war profits. in Hawaii refused him citizenship on the grounds and the prospects are for a still Oppose any form of direct or, he could not take the required oath since he did further imbalance next year. One indirect sales taxes and demand not believe in any deities. The San Francisco of the primary reasons for this no taxation of incomes under Court of Appeals state that it was legal enough is the expiration of the excess- \$7,500 a year. Let the rich pay if an alien simply affirmed his loyalty to the U.S. profits tax and the extra 11 per for their wars.

in GM's five-year contract with the CIO United Automobile Workers. Seated third from left is UAW President Walter P. Reuther. The union forced the reopening of the supposedly frozen contract. GM agreed to add 19 cents of 24 cents cost-of-living escalator wage increase to permanent basic wage.

General Motors official Harry Anderson announces change

# SALES TAX SEEN BACKED **BY EISENHOWER REGIME**

Signs are multiplying that the Eisenhower administration is preparing to foist the most infamous and unjust This and the increasing social dignation against the government form of taxation on the American people. The Big Business |weight of the workers are primary | and 'compassion for the Rosendemand for a national sales tax 9to "balance the budget" is re- cent personal income tax. In both portedly under favorable con- instances, the rich benefit at the sideration by White House ad- expense of federal revenues. The aim of a sales tax would be to visers. Joseph and Stewart Alsop, the shift this portion of the revenue

well - known Washington com- burden onto the poor. mentators for the Republican Secondly, "Administration lead-N. Y. Herald - Tribune, reported ers are increasingly recognizing P. M.

on May 31 that it is "an open that in the really critical budsecret that various forms of sales getary area - the defense protax are being considered." They gram - there are great gaps British Laborites Murnane maintains in the June Catholic add that it is a "fair bet" that that cannot be covered without the Treasury Department, headed additional expenditures." In short,

by Secretary of the Treasury the war program continues to be George Humphrey, "will end by the main concern of the White advising the President to take the House, as in Truman's time, and political risk of crossing this this is what makes the most inparticular Rubicon." satiable demands on the people. "Crossing the Rubicon" here Finally, the Alsops claim, means opposing the overwhelming "every other source of revenue popular sentiment against sales except the various forms of nataxes. They are an open form of tional sales tax has already been taxation which the consumer tapped up to and beyond the safe clearly observes every time he limits." They cite just two tax

makes a purchase. They eat sources, "personal or corporate directly into the purchasing income."

### power of the low-income con-BLOW AT WORKERS sumers. Sales taxes reach mainly

into the pockets of the wage-Sales taxes, of course, strike earners, who must spend most of at personal income - but chiefly their limited pay for living ex- at the income of the workers. The penses. Persons in the higher-personal income the Alsops refer to however is the income of the income brackets, save a large share of their money and thus millionaires and billionaires. If the Wall Street government do not contribute as great a share stopped its spending for imof their incomes in sales taxes. perialist war, such as the invasion of Korea, it would have no prob-

"BEFORE AUTUMN" The White House decision, state lem of balancing the budget. In

people who are being attracted weakness of the case. Since to the Friday Night Forum series sentence was passed the Appelate here on "Soviet Russia after Court has expressed the opinion of the American people. All the Stalin's Death." At the second that the defendants should have lecture of the series, an attentive 3 new trial, but found itself audience last night heard Milton unable to order one on the legal Alvin discuss the internal causes grounds offered. The Supreme for the present problems of the Court has never yet reviewed the Soviet Union. The stormy growth of Soviet Court Chief Justice onomy shows the new na-refused a stay of execution.

onalized property forms to be more powerful than expected, but BARBARIC OFFER the lack of economic coordination In the meantime, the Justice due to the mismanagement and Department is going through a parasitism of the bureaucracy series of barbaric maneuvers has left living standards low and with the Rosenbergs which cannot

created dissatisfaction, said Alvin. fail to arouse horror and incauses of the crisis facing the bergs. Through prison director regime. James V. Bennett, Ethel and

Many questions were asked and Julius Rosenberg are being answered. After the meeting in- offered their lives in exchange formal discussion took place for testimony against others. around the refreshment table. The Rosenbergs have answered:

The forums are held weekly at "We will not help purge the foul 1702 E. 4th St., beginning at 8 record of a fraudulent conviction and barbaric sentence. We

# Map Program

"If we are executed it will be The British Labor Party has murder of innocent people and mapped out a program of "drastic the shame will be on the govern-Socialist measures" for its campaign in the next general elec- ment of the Uited States. History tions, the party secretary Morgan will record, whether we live or Phillips said on June 3 in London. die, that we were the victims of No general election, however, has one of the most monstrous framebeen called although left laborites ups in our country's history." This courageous stand under headed by Aneurin Bevan are the most terrible circumstances demanding one.

rights as free Americans.

growing number of interested a hasty execution reflects the The Rosenberg case has become a major political case in the fight accused who have been found guilty of espionage during the past several years have received nothing more than jail terms, despite the fact that in each case evidence. Despite this, Supreme the evidence presented was far Vinson stronger than the inconclusive and patched-together case against

the Rosenbergs. The difference in the Rosenberg case is that, in this instance alone, the government tried to link the defendants to the Communist Party. Thus the death verdict is intended primarily as political intimidation. It is the high-point of bestiality in the witch hunt.

The Rosenbergs, must be saved! A great wave of public protest can save them and turn back the witch hunters. It is not yet too late. Rally to defend the Rosenbergs! Send your protests to Eisenhower. Join the clemency meetings in your city.

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