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Revulsion Sweeps World At Murder of Rosenbergs

By Art Preis

A smell of the auto-da-fe -

Eisenhower and the Supreme the Rosenbergs. All the Italian Court themselves, in effect, pulled unions strongly voiced similar the electric-chair switch. A cold- demands. Some of the leading the burning of heretics — hangs over the land. With the legal murder on June 19 of Ethel and variable decision of the leading hastily reconvened Supreme Court hastily reconvened Supreme Court number of the legal leading the legal hastily reconvened Supreme Court most notably the huge Transport with the legal leading the leading the leading the leading hastily reconvened Supreme Court hastily r Julius Rosenberg, the modern In-Julius Rosenberg, the modern In-quisition has sent its first two victims to the stake.

Must We Die for Rhee? Ask Bitter Gls in Korea

Anti-Stalinist German Workers Light Shed Wage Independent Class Battle On Origins

By John F. Petrone

What was the nature of the great demonstrations and strikes that swept East Germany beginning June 16?

The first answer of the imperialist propagandists was that it was a spontaneous "anti-O communist" movement that had was an "error" and revoking it. been inspired by "the ideals of One interpretation given of the the West." June 16 events was that the

The Soviet authorities and the Stalinist rulers had themselves German Stalinists admitted that arranged or encouraged the demonstration as additional proof the workers had justified grievthat their "liberalization" proances, but they blamed the 'disorders" on the activities of gram was seriously meant. The spies and saboteurs paid and main argument adduced for this directed by the imperialists. Both these explanations are

false. It was an independent workers movement, which was both anti-capitalist and anti-Stalinist in character. All the available facts confirm this analyof sis, first stated in The Militant last week

POLITICAL BACKGROUND On June 16 a number of construction workers in East Berlin, estimated at 5,000, left their jobs and began to parade through the streets toward the main government buildings. They chanted slogans and carried banners ex-Six days before, the Stalinist government had announced a

liberalization" program. In line

with the new tactics of the Kremlin, this program was designed to show that the Stalinists are willing to make concessions to promote their bargainings with the West over the unification of The June 10 program offered to nmu Seamen Germany



interpretation was the fact that

In any case, it makes no difference how the thing started. The point is that the workers soon took things into their own hands. It certainly wasn't the rulers who told them to raise the call for free elections, the unification of the country - and a general strike. GENERAL DEBATE Late into the night debates

went on all over the city. "Will there actually be a general strike (Continued on page 4)

A four-day "no contract, no

work" tie-up of 125 Atlantic and

Gulf coast vessels which threaten-

ed to paralyze half the nation's

fleet of 1,500 merchant ships,

country



Battle-Weary GIs

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Of the War

By Joseph Keller Are American GIs to die in Korea because of Syngman Rhee's refusal to accept a truce? Will the South Korean dictator, with the connivance of his U.S. backers like Sen. McCarthy and Gen. Van Fleet, maneuver this country into a bigger and bloodier war in the Far East?

These are the questions burning in the minds of the U.S. troops in Korea and of their folks here at home. And there is a growing conviction that nothing less than the complete withdrawal of the American armed forces from Korea will prevent eventual involvement, regardless of any present cease-fire, in further warfare in the Far East.

Severe censorship prevents our knowing fully the ferment going on among the troops. But there has been more than one hint of the powerful tide of "bring us nome" sentiment sweeping the Hs. Rhee's efforts to blow up the imminent Korea truce has embittered them even more at the prospects of remaining in that ruined, blood-drenched land.

FRONT LINE REACTION

Some idea of their sentiments s indicated by Hanson W. Baldwin, N. Y. Times military analyst, in his June 23 column. He

". . . The front - line reaction,

even though undoubtedly muted

by censorship, has been bitter.

The fighting soldier wants the

victims to the stake.

the known the Rosenbergs' doom. Their inquisitors kept Rosenbergs on the wrack for weeks and months, offering the condemned couple their lives in return for "recantations" and "confessions." The Rosenbergs declared their innocence to the end. They refused to "abjure" themselves and spurned the role of stoolpigeons and perjurers as demanded by the Eisenhower administration, with its Department of Justice and FBI.

which the Rosenbergs were rush-Enraged that their odious com- ed to their death. pact was refused, the witch WORLD-WIDE PROTEST hunters in obscene haste shoved

aside a last-minute stay of ex-ecution granted by Justice spread and vocal precisely in Albert Einstein and Dr. Harold ORDERLY MARCH Douglas and claimed their blood- those countries of Western Europe C. Urey (who, incidentally, ridiculvictims.

where American influence is ed the notion that the accused The whole prestige and au- reputed to be greatest. All sec- and the informer against them thority of the U.S. government tions of the French union movecould have understood or conveyed was mobilized to give the odor ment — including the Catholic atomic information) denounced of legal sanctity to the burnings. right — called for clemency to . (Continued on page 2)

the entire world views it. This is

Methodist Church OHIO BILLS THREATEN Conference Hits **BASIC CIVIL LIBERTIES**

By Jean Simon

CLEVELAND, June 22 - The Ohio House of Representatives last Wednesday passed two bills providing for the subversion of the 150-year-old civil liberties of the citizens of this State.

Both measures were included tions is punishable by fines up in the recommendations of the to \$5,000 and imprisonment up to Ohio Un-American Activities Com- five years.

Witch hunting is put on a mission which, for two years, has been conducting a witch hunt to permanent basis, with a special lay the groundwork for passage assistant attorney general in

of police-state bills and studying charge and county grand juries "anti-subversive" bills of other assigned the responsibility for stated: "We record our opposition (the East German parliament), states in order to make this a indicting persons and organiza- to the Trucks Law as an attempt composite of all their most tions charged with any of the to control subversion, because of réactionary features.

The first measure, known as the the proposed law. Devine Bill, after its introducer TWO DARED VOTE NO

on the Federal statutes to control and chairman of the UnAmerican Indicative of the state of in- subversive activity. We urge our Activities Commission, provides a fine up to \$20,000 and 20 years timidation the Ohio McCarthyites ministers and laymen to give imprisonment for advocating or have already created here is the sober and considerate thought to strike tomorrow!" committing any act intended to fact that despite official opposi- what has happened in other overthrow, destroy or alter the tion to the bill by the State CIO countries when orderly democratic constitutional form of the gov- and the Ohio branches of the processes of protest and change ernment of the United States or American Civil Liberties Union, have been replaced by political Ohio by revolution, force or un- only two representatives, Joseph authoritarianism and hysterical lawful means. It also bans par- H. Avellone and Michael J. reaction to those who advocate ticipation in "subversive" organ- Crosser, of Cleveland, had the change in economic, political or izations, which are declared courage to vote against the social life." illegal, and prohibits destruction measure.

The Michigan Federation of The second bill would make the Labor at its May convention of books or records of "subversive" organizations or hiding refusal of a state employee to describes the law as "a totali- the German Stalinist (Socialist will get four per cent while the and pineapple plantations came to pendent class action. Here is an the phony issue of "voluntary their funds Membership in such organiza-(Continued on page 4) the ideals of democracy."

executive clemency, thus sealing In addition, the closest allies

men who had fled out of the of the American capitalists — Soviet zone, reach an amicable "fullest measure of justice and president of France — warned agreement with the churches, Eisenhower prated about the from the Pope himself to the due process of law" allegedly against carrying through the ex-etc. In the next six days the extended the Rosenbergs. Only ecution because of the blow it Stalinists released several thousthe most gullible really believe would deal Washington's already and people arrested for minor that. This was a political assas- shaky prestige among the masses violations of regulations, called sination. That is how virtually of Western Europe. off the purge of teachers and

Thousands among scientific, students in the schools, relaxed shown by the wave of outrage cultural, educational and religious travel rules, and promised to and revulsion that has swept the circles here and abroad addressed globe at the sadistic haste with appeals to Eisenhower for clem-that more soft-goods products modify their five-year plan so ency. Some 2,300 Protestant would be available. clergymen in America voiced

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These measures were widely intheir opposition to the death terpreted as moves to reverse the penalty for the Rosenbergs. "Sovietization of East Germany."

But apparently they were not what the workers of East Gerdown to two per cent instead of many wanted. Their demonstration on June 16 began with a demand to cancel a May 28 decree demand put forth by the union. requiring them to speed up their After postponing the June 15 work so that they produced 10% more — with no increase in pay.

terfere, although the workers tion Service, the union heads booed at them.

This unusual sight attracted a but that individual seamen were great deal of attention from people on the streets and at windows Mich. Trucks Law ple on the streets and at windows in houses along the way. Many of them cheered the demonstra-

The Detroit Conference of the tors, who shouted back: "Everymitted seamen to sign on Methodist Church, meeting at one out of your house." for coastwise and inter-coastal voyages.

Albion, Michigan, took a strong As they passed by, the people stand in defense of civil liberties. in the streets stopped and began Its resolution, passed with but to discuss and argue what they two dissenting votes in a gather- had seen. ing of over 300 ministers and In addition to the protest

laymen, singled out for specific against the speedup, the workers condemnation the Michigan began to chant other slogans: "We don't want a people's army, we need butter." Trucks Law.

- On this question the resolution "We don't want a Volkskammer we want free elections."

"Away with the interzonal and WIDENS DIFFERENTIAL new "crimes" established under its loose wording and definition intersectoral borders (dividing of terms, and because there are Germany) - let our mothers see already adequate legal safeguards their sons."

And most important of all: "General strike tomorrow! Everybody out for a general

When they reached the government buildings, an official tried to speak to them, but they end of the second world war by booed him down.

Finally, they left, and most of ments. them went back to their jobs.

WAS IT ENCOURAGED?

cent pay boost. The middle ratings Three hours after the demon-I nique admitting that the speedup I two per cent increase.

SWP CANDIDATE TO RUN Get New Contract FOR MAYOR IN DETROIT After 4-Day Strike

DETROIT, June 18 — Frank Lovell, Michigan State Chairman of the Socialist Workers Party, announced here today his candidacy for Mayor in the fall elections. He pledged to campaign for the defense of civil liberties in this |"communist front organizations"

As SWP mayoralty candidate, General has arbitrarily labeled

ended last Saturday with slight Lovell will also bring to the the SWP "subversive" and subwage gains for the seamen. The hundreds of thousands of Detroit ject to the Trucks law. Lovell settlement, signed by the CIO unionists the party's program pointed out yesterday in a press National Maritime Union leaders calling for the building of an statement that the SWP is in no independent labor party and with- way conected with the Comand the ship owners, gave pay in- drawal of American troops from munist Party. He declared that arbitrary rulcreases ranging from six per cent Korea.

Lovell will conduct a vigorous the original seven to five per cent campaign against the Trucks Party and actions taken against against the Socialist Workers police-state law, passed last year its members are a measure of the by the state legislature and used extent of the Big Business reacfirst against the SWP in an tion, which is preparing a broad deadline for a new contract for attempt to bar its candidates from attack on the union movement. The march was orderly. The 24 hours at the request of the the state ballot last November. "The most shocking action of German Stalinist cops did not in- Federal Mediation and Concilia- He will urge militant united ac- the government to date in its tion by all labor and liberal forces general attack upon civil liberties

to secure repeal of this repressive and its determination to strike declared that there was no strike legislation. fear into the hearts of all who

The SWP is now seeking action dare to criticize is the conviction declining to "sign on" in the in the Michigan courts to test and death sentence meted out to absence of a contract. During the the constitutionality of the Trucks Ethel and Julius Rosenberg," said four-day strike union leaders per- law, which bars "communist" or the SWP candidate.



In the greatest strike in Hawaii's history, 26,000 dock and plantation workers walked out in a four-day protest said of Rhee's move: "I don't think Rhee could have done anyagainst the witch hunt conviction of longshore union leader thing else." He likewise recalled

Jack Hall and six others under 9 the Smith "Gag" Act. The protest jobs, the union held an emergency strike started an hour after the Federal Court jury verdict becreated by the Smith Act Case" came known. The Honolulu and Hilo water- director. Union president Harry accompli."

ronts were almost completely Bridges, whose conviction on perference that was_taking place throughout the country after the across - the - board wage settlestevedores broke union precedent

Higher skilled seamen like on Korea-bound ships. electricians will get the six per

EXAMPLE FOR ALL LABOR stration began, the Politburo of which include able bodied seamen Work on the docks, the sugar the witch hunters through inde- U.S. command which first raised answer the question of an in- tagian measure . . . desecrating Unity) party issued a commu- lower ratings will receive only a a standstill for four days. After example for the rest of American repatriation" and forcibly sepaits members returned to their labor.

war to end and Dr. Rhee and the Koreans now bear the blame in his mind for its continuance. This hostile feeling is shared in the United States by the kinsmen of United States prisoners of war and by many of those with relatives in Korea who have been from the ballot. The Attorney hoping for months for the end of

the war." Rhee has been built up to his present position by Washington and some of the very elements who now express themselves as most "shocked" by his moves to

torpedo a Korean armistice and ings by government bodies to trigger a new explosion of warfare. Moreover, there are strong indications that Rhee's actions are being encouraged by influential elements among the military Big Brass and by the "Pacific Firsters" in Congress.

McCARTHY BACKS RHEE

Sen. Joseph McCarthy hailed Rhee's action in releasing 27,000 prisoners of war (most of whom are being impressed into the South Korean forces) in violation of the agreement reached between the U.S.-U.N. negotiators and the Chinese - North Korean representatives. The nation's No. 1 witch hunter urged the world to "applaud the action of Syngman Rhee.'

Similarly, Gen. James A. Van Fleet — former Eighth Army commander who complains he could have pushed the Chinese back to the Yalu at the cost of a mere 50,000 more casualties that Rhee was carrying out what the U.S. command itself had convention to consider its strategy threatened to do only a few in the light of "the situation week ago: "It had been considered . . . to release these prisoners and the conviction of its regional and present the Reds with a fait

This refers to the fact that on shut down by the stop-work ac- jury charges has just been ruled April 30, Lieut. Gen. William K. ion of the members of the In- out by the Supreme Court, flew to Harrison, head of the U.S. truce ternational Longshoremen's and Hawaii to consult with the 300 mission at Panmunjom, threaten-Warehousemen's Union. The delegates in their two-day session. ed to release inside South Korea, Through their mass walkout before any agreement, some 50, by refusing to load military cargo the Hawaiian workers have re- 000 North Korean prisoners of cognized that the witch hunt is war whom the Communist spokesaimed against organized labor men were insisting should be and have shown the way to resist returned. Moreover, it was the

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United States Lines, operating the superliner, kept its entire deck and engine crew on "stand by"

at time-and-a-half pay pending the settlement.

The six to two per cent wage increase finally agreed upon last Saturday further widens the gap in pay between skilled and un-

skilled seamen. This is another expression of the trend to reverse the process of narrowing the dif-

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knows there is just so much work,

and after a certain quota is mined he will be unemployed.

For John L. Lewis to try and

maintain the status quo, would

soon bring disaster to the miners

union. Therefore he is compelled

to wage a constant battle against

mine employers and the govern-

ment although he himself sup-

Walter Reuther as a leader of

the UAW has not become aware

of the trap he set for the union

while negotiating five-year agree-

ments. Reuther during the last

convention demonstrated his lack

of knowledge of over-production

and the effect it would have on

the UAW. How did the demon-

strate this? First, by scuttling the

demand for a 30-hour week at

40 hours' pay. Second, no provi-

sions made to negotiate the line

speed which is one of the primary

reasons for over-production

(speedup). And third, Reuther

continues to make every effort

to make possible five-year agree-

All this in the face of industry

stating very openly that car

production has for the present

The corporations will find the

mion a very easy target if

Reuther allows the membership

to dissipate its strength over

minor issues. Once the market

becomes saturated with cars, what

is to stop the corporations from

becoming the real agitators for

ports the system.

ments.

reached its apex.

AT ALL DISSENTERS

By David Stevens

The torch has been set to books all over the world by the U.S. State Department acting at the behest of the pyromaniac Senator from Wisconsin. McCarthy, like the Holy Office of the Church of Rome, has compiled an Index Librorum Prohibitorum of 30,000 books in 258 overseas backaches for the workers in the libraries of the U.S. Information Service. American diplo- form of speedups and sundry matic missions abroad, following "secret" State Depart- other problems. This year the ment directives, have already "purified" the libraries of several hundred books by more than 40 authors, accord- tively the workers in the plants by the local union and its leaders. The sporadic ing to a survey by N.Y. Times correspondents.

Two weeks ago Secretary of State Dulles admitted GM announced its intention of that eleven books have been literally burned although he capturing 50% of the total auto refused to tell where and when. This admission set off market in America? The hiring of women, the long wide-spread protests. The book burners thereupon claimed they never ordered the books to be burned, that only a few books have actually been burned, and that purged books are now being boxed and held pending further orders. Whether books are burned, boxed and buried in vaults, or ground back into pulp as was reported in Japan, is a nicety time had come to settle some accounts with the most ruthless of destruction by different methods. orporation in the country.

Besides, Senator McCarthy, before whom the State Department cringes, wants them burned and no nonsense about it. The Senator's position was relentlessly expressed union leaders would not aid them; agreement; but the corporation, when he questioned Dr. James Conant, U.S. High Commissionr to Germany, on book burning as follows:

McCarthy: Would you burn them?

Conant: I certainly wouldn't.

McCarthy: What would you do, pay for storing them?

Conant: I think I would be able to make a deal by which I could get rid of them as second-hand books for vantages are in your favor. Many one purpose or another.

McCarthy: In other words, you are trying to sell those is the five-year contract and the 30,000 books so that people in the U.S. could read them. philosophy of the leadership in

For one day Eisenhower appeared to challenge the accepting the long-term agreebook burners and champion freedom of thought. "Don't join the book burners," he told graduates at Dartmouth being, is dispelling many illu-College. "Do not try to conceal the thinking of our own sions that existed on the contract people." That was on Sunday. By Wednesday the General's and the union bureaucracy. A liberal stance had collapsed. He denied that his remarks few examples will demonstrate The issues were immediately were critical of McCarthy and upheld the right of the limited character of these strug- method of settling speedups be- their favorite formula they were State Department to burn "communist" books in foreign gles, whose leadership in many fore the union was encumbered dumbfounded by the outpouring countries.

In the White House as well as in Congress and the

One State Department directive banned the use of material by "controversial figures, Communists, fellow travelers, etcetera," causing several American diplomats the conviction of the Rosenbergs affirmed the fairness of the but with mere "conspiracy" abroad to cable for a definition of "etcetera." Among the as well as their sentence, hundreds already destroyed or removed are books by Nobel prize winner Pearl Buck and Pulitizer prize winner Upton Sinclair. Mission to Moscow by the former Ambassador Joseph E. Davies, which upholds the frame up Moscow trials of the thirties and was filmed by Hollywood during the heyday of the Stalin-Roosevelt alliance, is on the purge list.

The Maltese Falcon and The Thin Man, two entirely unpolitical mystery stories by Daniel Hammet which had Employees, not one leading Amerlikewise become Hollywood thrillers, were also removed.

Government by Bernhard J. Stern were purged because against the political killing of the they "unduly stressed Negro medical statistics." Also re- Rosenbergs. moved were An American Dilemma, the informative study of the Negro question by the Swedish economist, Gunnar Myrdal, and Rising Wind by Walter White, Secretary of the NAACP. The Alsops wrote in the N.Y. Herald Tribune: Rosenbergs and the atmosphere of "Presumably recognition of the existence of a race prob- the anti-communist witch hunt lem in the United States is evidence of the harboring of that made a fair trial for them

STATE DEPARTMENT'S BOOK-BURNING AIMED Speed-up -- Curse of GM Workers ofter the Assembly LETTERS FROM READERS By Emmett Moore respects is still inferior to the by a contract that is nine-tenths of workers ofter the Assembly Economic Problems when the coal is dug. For 1 when the coal is dug. For he

By Emmett Moore FLINT, Mich. — Since the respects is still inferior to the by a contract that is nine-tenths of workers after the Assembly leadership that grew up during in favor of the corporation, which plant erupted in wildcat strike Facing Auto Union change in model instituted around the first of the year a rash of saddled with the no-strike pledge. vicious no-strike clause, shackled employee by plant metation

wildcat strikes has swept the REST PERIODS

General Motors plants. Nothing like this has been witnessed in was the first to present manage-Flint since the war years. In the past every change-over the new model was on the lines. in production has brought with it a complement of headaches and

terrific labor shortage. Instincrealized the relationship of forces had tilted in their favor. Hadn't tion for the strike!

of wildcat strikes, fully conscious overtime hours each week, the that there would be victimizarepeated announcements of labor tions. However it was understood shortages, the combing of the that fired workers could quickly South for new hires fortified the find a job in a different plant; be far more hesitant.

As the wildcat strikes in Fisher #2 mounted, the union bureau-It wasn't long until the work- cracy remained steadfast in its ers realized that the International loyalty to its five-year no-strike but little did they realize that more interested in peak producany proposals to take even slight tory was paid for with imposed advantage of the corporation's penalties of a week to a month Flint. Three times the workers for a score of militants. It was veakness at the moment.

movement that you strive for rightfully so when the odds and maximum gains when the adobstacles are weighed in the balance. The corporation was sayworkers still do not realize that ing, in effect, we do not recognize

> take care of you at a later date; mobile bodies.

ment. The flurry of strikes, SITDOWN STRIKES

episodic as they are for the time At Fisher Body #1 plant, speedups were resisted in two instances by short sitdown strikes. problems, at the same time. the process at work and show the settled on the spot! This was the robbed, by the labor shortage, of

them by an infamous waiver clause which excludes bargain-The small Fisher Body #2 plant ing on any new point of issue during the five-year agreements ment with a list of demand before and was topped off by the foul umpire system which molds com-High on the agenda was the re- mitteemen in the die of Philaquest for the reinstitution of two delphia lawyers busily studying fiveminute rest periods which the each comma, period and exclamaunion had won years ago and lost tion point of the latest umpire corporation ran headlong into a when the new plant was built. ruling rather than relying on the All procedure was complied with mass strength of the workers Surprise of surprises, Reuther and nature of the victories is demon-

his henchmen refused authoriza- strated clearly by the fact that few months from now when labor Not to be foiled this time, the surpluses develop, the corporation workers responded with a series can, and will, again hoist production standards AT CHEVROLET

In the Chevrolet Assembly

plant - under the same roof as lasting nature. Above all, it gives thinking of the workers that the in previous years workers would Fisher Body #2 - the Chevrolet nothing that means much in workers can twice a day witness writing. the Fisher workers take their

> Chevrolet workers must suffer from whistle to whistle.

This plant has never been or officers hail the "agreement" as strike since it was organized in a big victory. The settlement was the union leaders would obstruct tion, capitulated. This partial vic- 1947. It has the notorious reputa- put over on a reluctant membertion of being the slave hole of ship which could not see how it was possible to overcome the denial of strike authorization by have voted to strike only to be It is axiomatic in the labor considered a partial victory and thwarted by chicken-feed deals by the International.

the International. In past years After this miserable settlethe union representatives clubbed ment, elections for local offices the workers over the head with came due. It would be expected the argument that a strike in this that all incumbents responsible

he greatest obstacle to overcome your right to strike but we will assembly plant would not hurt for the sell-out would be faced the corporation because it could with opposition. The contrary was right now we want the auto- shift the work schedule to the the case. All incumbents ran un- decline in mining hands, but also ten other assembly plants scat- opposed, due to the demoralizatered around the country. The tion and disgust of the workers.

idea never dawned on these union The union bureaucracy sows seeds leaders to strike all assembly of discord that will be harvested plants, which all have simila when the corporation decides the time is ripe to move against the Since the union leaders were union.

week.

Editor: Here are my ideas about the For the fourth time in six years ever-growing crisis which faces

the Chevrolet Assembly workers the auto industry and its effects voted to strike by the overwhelming vote of 870 in favor to upon the union movement in the ndustry. 23 against. It is common to hear and read

AUTHORIZATION REFUSED that the automotive industry has reached a point of saturation. Under pressure the Regional of-This year, as the U.S. News and icers undertook to lead the strike World Report magazine states. action. Surprise of surprises, the "there will be produced 7,000,000 International, which hypocritically units for which there are only boasts of its strike authoriza-5.500.000 buyers." So we can tions, refused to authorize this readily see that at the end of strike! It was their contention 1953 there will be a surplus of that a strike could only take place 1½ million cars. over speedups. As fast as speedup This is reminiscent of the pregrievances were written, the

World War II days when the corporation settled by adding a man here and there on the line. auto industry used to lay off a That is, it grants all kind of majority of the workers for

periods of two to three months. minor concessions but adamantly Today industry through techrefuses any thing of a principled, nological improvements no longer finds it necessary to shut down the factories for charges in the car model. In addition, the industry After two solid months of

five minute rest periods while stalling, the union officers settled has been unable since the end of the war to produce a sufficient for exactly nothing. In the meantime the Regional office and local quantity of cars to satisfy the market which had been created

because no cars were produced for civilian use during the war Industry today will once again find it necessary to close its factories for long periods of time because of their ability to produce faster than they are able to sell their product. This is true of most industries engaged in production

strike action? Will this not give for civilian use. them the desired respite of The coal miners have been production? Will this not also faced with this dilemma for years give greater impetus in asking so that today there is a steady legislation against, the labor

shorter work weeks due to immovement?If the union movement is to proved mining techniques. This is one of the chief factors for the survive and progress, it must militancy of the miners which in take heed of the present economic situation and come forth with a the main causes John L. Lewis to raise his demands far above the program designed to safeguard rest of American labor leaders. the interests of the workers. A miner who is asked to strike regardless of the impending war. (Another article on Flint next can see no reason for not doing

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State Department, it is McCarthy and the most extreme capitalist reactionaries who decide these matters. One State Department directive banned the use of

(Continued from page 1) But the one progressive force on a number of occasions to No tangible evidence was put conquest.

shamefully silent. The 17.000.000member American trade union movement uttered no word of the AFL Hotel and Restaurant ample?

The Eisenhower administration ACT OF CLASS HATE ican trade-union figure had the simple human decency and poli-feared to wait any longer the test This was a deed of class hate and cost thousands their jobs. It would

| revieved this record and has never | not with committing espionage, | impediments raised by the revolutionary masses on all the contrial. . ." Indeed, the court refused agreement to commit - such acts. tinents to its schemes of world

that might have prevented the review the central question: Did forward even for this nebulous The murder of the Rosenbergs murder of the Rosenbergs was the Rosenbergs get a fair trial? charge except the claims of a shows how far the witch hunters Could a fair trial have been single informer who feared his are prepared to go to suppress possible in the witch-hunt at own neck was at stake if he did free thought and political freemosphere and with the whole not testify as demanded by the dom in America. It is the extreme protest or indignation at the capitalist government lined up to FBI. They rushed to kill the expression of a system of witch-burning. With the notable of their mill and the Rosenbergs, regardless Rosenbergs precisely because the terrorism that has already put a exception of Hugo Ernst, head of of their guilt or innocence, to case could not stand up under gag over education, literature, make of them a terrifying ex- further close public examination. the arts and sciences and public service that has sent hundreds to

American Medical Practice and Medical Services by simple human decency and poli-tical intelligence to speak out of public opinion. It feared that and class vengeance. The brutal has placed shackles of fear on



Cathy Dee reports a good Calvin, Milton, Pete K., Ruth T. esponse in New York to recent Ethel P., Beezie. Ethel B., Jeff, ssues of The Militant on the Bob D., Ann, Tom, Harold R., Rosenberg Case. Renee, Janice and Lenny.

Comrades sold 68 papers and distributleaflets at union on the streets in working-class neighborhoods. The leaflet

so; for him it matters little as to

Literature Agent Kay Kean reports a project in Akron to insix, thousand troduce The Militant to workers in several of the main plants. meetings, rallies, and Distributions of several thousand Militants will be followed by weekly sales. Other activity in the past few weeks includes a sale of contained a reprint The Road to Peace at a World of the editorial in the Federalist peace ' meeting ad-June 8 Militant en- dressed by Nehru's cousin.

titled "Labor Must | Literature Agent Paul Richards Injustice Cathy reports that Calvin sold waukee. He writes, "Here is eight papers in his shop. In the heartening news from Wisconsin. garment center 17 copies were Charlotte, a young worker comsold in two afternoons, and at a rade recruited recently to the Union Square rally 33 copies were Militant Army, has obtained six sold. Additional Militants were new subscriptions from workers sold at a street meeting of the on the job. This would have given Rosenberg Committee, at the her 234 points in the sub drive. American Safety Razor plant, at She recognizes the need to sell meeting of the Painters Local The Militant and shows how it 1011, at a District 65 meeting, can be done. Charlotte first beand in Eastside, Bedford Stuy- came acquainted with The Milivesant, 14th Street and Wash- tant in a recent election camington Square Park areas of the paign.' city. Many thanks to S. R. of New Comrades participating in the York for a \$20 contribution to sales and distributions were help pay the printing costs of were Bertha, Cathy, Pete M., The Militant. Thanks also to L. Earl, Walter, Dorothy J., Ruth N., S. of New York for \$2 and to Mike B., Sam R., Janet, John, E.V.D. of Seattle for 25c.

dangerous thoughts." cowardly, too opportunist, too Even books of "anti-communists" ended up on the eager to demonstrate their sub Nixon in the conviction of Alger Hiss. Another was Whit- communism to demand justice and clemency for the Rosenbergs taker Chambers' Witness, a violent denunciation of "Com-For their blind treachery they munists." At this point, a new and unexpected voice joins themselves may yet pay a terrible the list of protesters. It is Joseph McCarthy himself. The banning of Chambers' book, he said on June 23, "means hunters, whose ultimate objective that someone has tried to sabotage efforts to clean up the is nothing less than the crushing of the American labor movelibraries. It means someone is trying to make the State ment. The smell of the blood of Department look silly in the handling of this program. And the Rosenbergs will undoubtedly Rhee. it shows the need to speed up the housecleaning there." excite the appetites of the Mc

The book purge will therefore be extended into a purge Carthyites and embolden them to LIGHT ON WAR'S START seek bigger and juicier prey of State Department personnel who are either guilty of including and especially the tradeoverlooking a "dangerous thoughts" book or go too far in union leaders. applying the term "etcetera." That is indeed a tight rope to walk.

Throughout the ages despots have set aglow the twilight of outlived social systems with the flames of burning finds room to express itself? Why fare that began on June 25. 1950. books. Today the last stronghold of an expiring world capitalism signals its demise before history in the same manner but on a vaster scale.

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capitalist class nas the American mind. And it will and indignation grow, not only sadistically vented on the helpless not be halted until the American

abroad but at home. The juridical bodies of the Rosenberg's its rage labor movement - ultimate target It is inconceivable that the case against the Rosenbergs was and frustration at the setbacks of the witch hunters - stands labor leaders did not know the coming apart at the seams. It it has received abroad from the forth with a mighty fist in the tissue-paper flimsiness of the was becoming known that the forces of the colonial and so- face of the witch hunters and government's case against the Rosenbergs were actually charged cialist revolutions and for the declares: "Not another step!"

MUST WE DIE FOR DICTATOR RHEE? impossible. Yet they were to pyre. One was Washington Witch Hunt by Bert Andrews of the Herald Tribune, who worked closely with Richard

Korea

(Continued from page 1)

Rhee's present attempted sabotage of a truce not only shows his back." responsibility for continued war-

Why has the case of the like provocations now, but sheds Rosenbergs raised such an outcry light on the immediate events

everywhere that free opinion still precipitating the full-scale wardo many who remained silent just three years ago. while U.S. imperialism burned Here and there in the capitalist alive several million Koreans or press, where Rhee's opposition to annihilated two whole Japanese a truce has been bringing criticcities with atom bombs now cry ism in the past few months, there out at the spectacle of two obscure have been veiled admissions of man Rhee. But the record reveals his American backers - count on Americans being killed after what Rhee's provocations, before June

appear to be exhaustive legal 25, 1950, which sparked the all- repeated threats to invade North proceedings? out civil war and invited U.S. in-

tervention on his side. Deaths in war seem impersonal and are frequently excused as On May 29, in the N. Y. Worldthe regrettable but unavoidable Telegram's international column, hazards of military struggle. But editor C. E. Fisher, commenting on Rhee as a "high-handed dicthe Rosenberg case spotlights the nature of U.S. capitalism in all tator" who is "once more throw-

its brutality and vindictiveness. ing a monkey wrench into United This was deliberate, premeditated Nations machinery," recalled that murder intended to intimidate "Rhee's truculence caused trouble into silence all who would oppose in 1949. . . Then he proclaimed American imperialism in any publicly his intent to invade

North Korea and win unification way. It is a symbol of all that by force if necessary. . .? the world has come to hate of the The Wall Street Journal of June

ruthless arrogance and aggressive drive of the American ruling 8 published some suggestive obclass. servations on Rhee's attempts to block a truce which indicate what Their pretense that the Rosenbergs got all the benefits of the his course of action might have been before the start of the law makes the actions of Eisenhower and the Supreme Court Korean war. This authoritative seem all the more hypocritical. Wall Street voice said that the As Justice Black pointed out in Rhee elements might undertake his strong dissenting opinion, not to continue the war alone knowonly is "judicial haste . . . ing that "we would almost cer-peculiarly out of place where the tainly be forced into war if they death penalty is imposed," but did try for unification by arms the Supreme Court "has never and then had the ill luck to be

pushed back below the 38th the side of the capitalist-landlord rated the POWs into "Communist parallel. . . The South Koreans oppressors, in a civil war against and "anti-Communist." It had ac- couldn't last very long in a fight, the North Korean regime, which price at the hands of the witch tually withheld from negotiations of course, without additional U.S. had the backing of the workers some 46,000 POWs by changing ammunition, supplies and re- and poor peasants. And there is their status to "civilians" and placement arms. But knowledge every likelihood that the all - out

releasing most of them last year of that fact might not deter showdown struggle in 1950 was to the military forces of Syngman them. They might base their deliberately precipitated by Rhee whole enterprise on the premise after he got assurances from that the U.S. would be dragged in, powerful elements in this counwillynilly, if the going got rough try that the U.S. would come to his support. and they were being thrown

At any rate, the Wall Street Journal strongly suggests this is WHAT HAPPENED THEN Rhee's game now. And even if a

That is precisely the course truce were signed tomorrow with that events took three years ago. Rhee's assurances of support, The only information on which there is nothing that guarantees Truman and the United Nations that he will live up to it or that based their charge of "unprovoked the U.S. leaders will not come to aggression" by the North Korean his rescue once more with military regime and dragged us into war forces when Rhee provokes active was the unverified claims of Syng- hostilities. In fact, Rhee - and that Rhee and his officials made that.

The possibility for any kind of Korea prior to June 25, 1950. In real peace in Korea requires first border warfare during 1949 Rhee's of all that American troops be forces had inflicted more than withdrawn. We have no right to 31,000 casualties on the North be in there holding up a dictator Koreans to 3,500 South Korean like Syngman Rhee. We don't losses, according to the official want our boys to die for him. report of the UN Commission in Bring the U.S. troops back home and let the Korean people deal The American people were with Rhee - as they had started

coerced into support of Dictator to do when Washington inter-Syngman Rhee, who represented vened.



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Impact of the East German Uprising

The resurgence of the East German workers is a colossal event. Despite fearful defeats and betrayals - the hell of Nazism and of war, the partition of their country, a fresh disillusionment with Stalinism — these workers have displayed a heroism, initiative and militancy unmatched in recent years.

Their example will surely inspire their fellow workers in West Germany who have already begun to assert their power through their trade union organizations and protests against re-armament. This key section of European labor is becoming a dynamo of the European revolution.

Chancellor Adenauer hastened to Berlin in an effort to utilize the uprising to further his design of chaining Germany to the imperialist war machine. But the German workers, both East and West, know that Adenauer will not give them unity and freedom; they know him as the representative of clerical-capitalist reaction. By revealing the instability of Stalinist rule and their own independent power, the East German workers have undercut the fake capitalist contention that rearmament is needed against the threat of "aggression from the East." This may well bring about Adenauer's defeat and a Socialist victory in the September elections.

But the profoundest repercussions will be felt in the Stalinist world. The sight of Soviet troops and tanks shooting down unarmed workers with justifiable grievances will provoke deep disquiet among Communist workers of France and Italy. Their questions will not easily be shrugged off nor their criticisms stilled by the apologists for the Kremlin. Intelligent workers can hardly be sold the story that so strong and stubborn an uprising is the reactionary work of imperialist hirelings. Fuel will be added to the discontent with Stalinist policies already observable in West European Communist ranks.

The strikes, meetings and demonstrations have proved so persistent and widespread in East Germany that the Stalinist rulers couldn't crush them by force alone. They have had to combine concessions with repressions in an attempt to appease the masses and allay their anger. Premier. Grotewohl, visibly shaken, confessed serious errors, promised to correct them and begged the people to wait two weeks for fundamental changes.

This is the first significant retreat before the onset of the masses by the Stalinist overlords in the satellite countries. This vacillation will be noted in the rest of the East European zone and the workers there will seize upon opportune occasions to press their own demands for reforms and concessions. The development of these moods and movements will unsettle and undermine the totalitarian regimes in these states, affect the Communist parties, and facilitate the anti-bureaucratic struggles of the masses.

Regardless of what is happening behind the Kremlin walls, the defiance of the German workers has gravely damaged the prestige of the post-Stalin directorate and path, Deutscher points to steps tends to inflame the frictions within the it took in its first weeks - releading circles. There are increasing signs organization of the party and of difference among them on how to deal government machinery, the not only with the nettlesome German the penal code, reversal of the trends in other satellite countries and in icism of one-man autocracy, apthe Soviet Union itself.

The uprising which has exploded in East

dominated territories, especially since Stalin's death. This opposition movement has produced the most acute crisis Stalinism has ever experienced.

Up to now there have been two notable instances of resistance to Kremlin domination stemming from the pressure of the revolutionary masses in countries within the Soviet orbit. In Yugoslavia, this process culminated in an open break of 'an entire Communist government with the Kremlin. In China, the revolutionary upsurge enables Peiking to fend off dictation and deal with Moscow on more or less equal terms. In these cases the changes in the relations between the revolutionary masses and the Kremlin have been expressed through a differentiation or a rupture within the structure of international Stalinism itself.

The East German workers have gone a step further. For the first time the workers have undertaken direct nation-wide mass actions deliberately aimed against the Kremlin and its satraps, including the native Communist party leadership. This marks a more advanced phase in the disintegration of Stalinism under the impact of the growing forces of the revolutionary workingclass within the Kremlin's own domain.

engaged in subduing the insurgent workers are also defaming them as "agents of im-perialism." But the East German workers AFRICAN perialism." But the East German workers are anti-war and anti-capitalist to the core. By relying on their own independent class forces and methods of combat, they are of western capitalism or imperil na- network of grass-roots schools D tionalization in East Germany. It is the Stalinists' brutal attempt to crush the now brutally suppressed by the own people. masses in East Germany which disheartens British imperialists, endeavored and disorients the anti-imperialist struggle

his new book, Russia: What the government was more or less with intrigues of rival cliques in Moscow. likely, except with regard to reasons explained in our article economic-social policy (planning, Soviet people with measures to change and the regime has a desnationalization, etc.). As evidence that the new regime has struck out on a non-Stalinist and to keep them hoping for more concessions. He even writes:

"As one analyzes Malenkov's first moves, one can almost hear him pleading in the inner circle amnesty, the promise to reform of the Kremlin: Better to abolish the worst features of Stalinism problem but with similar troublesome doctors' frameup, price cuts, crit- from above than to wait until they are abolished from below.' peals for collective leadership, In other words, one of the basic

motivations for the new measures Now these acts do represent is a fear that the Soviet people Germany is part of a vaster working class departures from some of the rigid may move to overthrow the dicmovement against Stalinist monolithism bureaucratic practices associated tatorship, and a desire to head it and despotism which has been gather- with Stalin, and they are so off. But when these measures ing momentum throughout the Kremlin- viewed by the Soviet people. But are viewed in this light, doesn't do they mean that the Malenkov it become clear that they are

Celebrate Bridges Victory

Wearing victory grins, three west coast longshore union leaders congratulate each other on U.S. Supreme Court decision throwing out perjury conviction against them. Shown, l. to r., are Pres. Harry Bridges of Intl. Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, central figure in case, and his co-defendants, Henry Schmidt and J. R. Robertson. Witch-hunters still vow to "get" Bridges.



By Robert Vernon

One of the greatest accomplishments of the Kikuyu showing how to conduct a fight against people, now defending their right to live and govern them-Stalinism that does not play into the hands selves against British terror in Kenya, has been the wide

> founded and maintained by the in South Africa against the Kikuyu themselves. These schools, Africans' right to educate their

"REAL MENACE" combat illiteracy, teach im-

A dictatorship cleansed of some easy possibility, even probability, when Trotsky thought it was still of its more repressive and irra- that Deutscher airily assumes it possible to reform the Comintern; policies. But Isaac Deutscher (in cautiously. He recognizes that tional features might secure a to be. The bureaucrats are not it was not until the mid-30's that broader base of support or going to relinquish their caste Trotsky rounded out his analysis Next?) does not believe this is forced, after Stalin's death - for tolerance than it did under Stalin, privileges until they have been of Soviet Bonapartism and the especially during the first stages, defeated decisively by the workmeasures required to get rid of it. last week - to conciliate the when the people are hopeful of ing class.

A POLITICAL REVOLUTION This is not to deny that the But Deutscher knows that tosatisfy some of their aspirations perate need to consolidate its downfall of the Soviet bureaucracy position. But it would remain a may be preceded by a split in its ward the end of Trotsky's life, and dictatorship just the same, ranks, with one section perhaps especially after the Moscow Trial wouldn't it? going over to the people. But that purges, he never tired of advocating an "unlimited" political

Deutscher, however, tends to is not the same thing as expecting stress only one side of the a reform of the bureaucracy to revolution against Stalinism. The lead to "an orderly winding up revolution Trotsky advocated was reasons for the new measures. That is because it is convenient of Stalinism and a gradual of course not directed against the democratic evolution.' for his theory, which amounts roughly to something like this:

SEES TUG OF WAR A tug of war has been going form in the Soviet Union as a

on inside the bureaucracy for Bonapartist dictatorship. Alsome years. One section wants to though Deutscher is acquainted Soviet democracy and the legaliza-"liberalize" and "rationalize" with this analysis, first worked Stalinism; at home it wants to out by Trotsky, he acts as if he offer some concessions to the peo- isn't, and he doesn't counterpose ple to keep them from getting out any other analysis. But he shows of hand; abroad, it wants to offer that he rejects it by defining some limited concessions to the Bonapartism almost exclusively imperialists in order to avert war, as a purely military dictatorship, which it thinks can be postponed and talks about it only as a future danger. for a relatively long time.

Their opponents, Deutscher con This makes it easier for him to spin his theory about the apcontinues, are the die-hard Stalinsts, who draw their strength proaching metamorphosis of the rom the political police (bitterly dictatorship into its opposite. But against any changes in the status the Malenkov regime's concessions to the people don't change its quo at home) and from the army whose leaders think war is inevitable and refuse to yield any torship; they only indicate that adapting himself to Soviet Bonaconcessions that might be of stra- the dictatorship has been weaken- partism. In neither case can he tegic value to the imperialists in the coming war). He views the tatorship, even when it waves the for Soviet democracy. doctor's frameup as a plot by the banner of "liberalization," is still police, perhaps in collusion with a Bonapartist dictatorship. And the army, to weaken the reform Bonapartist dictatorships generalforces. ly have to be overthrown.

Deutscher thinks the "liberaliz-WHAT TROTSKY SOUGHT ers," in the form of the Malenkov Deutscher's illusions and runregimes now have the upper hand. He admits that Malenkov, beaway speculations even lead him cause of his Stalinist training, to write:

"In the 1930's Trotsky admay not want to go too far; that he does not want to destroy the vocated a 'limited political revolution' against Stalinism. He saw police, but only to tame and control them; that he may reverse it not as a full-filedged social tical strike was a preview of what his path, or be overthrown by the upheaval but as an 'administrative is going to happen in the Soviet die-hards, if the masses get out operation' directed against the bloc as a whole). The crisis will of hand or if there is a war, etc. chiefs of the political police and produce further divisions and con-But on the whole he suggests that a small clique terrorizing the na-flicts among the bureaucracy the Malenkov regime represents the beginning of the reform of the Soviet bureaucracy.

THREE VARIANTS In his view, there are three ciates would act in accordance predicted it would be doomed, by variants:

1. A "relapse into Stalinism," with the police back in the saddle. is precisely the 'limited revolu- democratic power of the Soviet If this happens, he doesn't think tion' envisaged by Trotsky." it would last long because the same factors that have been work-| Trotsky's views on the regenera-| revolution against the Kremlin ing to undermine Stalinism in tion of the Soviet Union. We don't regime, not through its reform. recent years would operate to end know which article of Trotsky There is no other way to the its revival. Even if the police Deutscher is citing, or when it socialist regeneration of the should unite with the generals to was written. The Stalin regime Soviet Union. take over power, he believes this

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would mean a military dictator ship rather than the traditional Stainnism

2. Military dictatorship. Deut

scher thinks this is possible be-

cause of the generals' demand for

a tough policy in foreign affairs.

He does not consider it probable

unless the Malenkov regime

proves unable to keep the people

Another thing Deutscher doesn't which he defended to the end. understand or accept is the Marx-What he worked for was a poli ist analysis of the present state tical revolution - against social inequality and political repression, for the regeneration of tion of Soviet parties. In fact Trotsky went so far,

in the 1938 Transitional Program, as to call on the workers "to drive the bureaucracy and the new aristocracy out of the Soviets" in the same sense that capitalist representatives were excluded from the original Soviets.

social system in the Soviet Union.

Anybody who equates such a revolution, which the bureaucracy would fight tooth and nail, with "liberalization" the measures taken by Malenkov and Co., is character as a Bonapartist dicta- losing touch with reality or ed. A weakened Bonapartist dic- render any service to the fight

SOCIALIST REGENERATION The reality is this: The Soviet dictatorship is in the throes of a leep crisis. As a result, the bureaucracy has offered certain concessions to the workers to keep them from moving on their own. Instead of satisfying the workers for long, these concessions will encourage them to press for new demands (the East German polition. As so often, Trotsky was which the workers will be able to tragically ahead of his time and use for their own purposes. War prophetic in his vision of the may delay the process, but cannot future, although he could not abolish it. The Soviet Bonapartist imagine that Stalin's closest asso- dictatorship is doomed, as Trotsky with his scheme. What Malenkov's the spread of world revolution. government is carrying out now and it will be replaced by the working class. The change will This is a flagrant distortion of take place through a political

Speculations have been published tying up the beginning of the East Berlin events

Nothing about the current witch hunt is more repugnant than its system of informers and extorted "confessions." Most Americans are antipathetic to anything that smacks of a secret political police and Gestapo methods. That is why so many undoubtedly feel a growing uneasiness, if not alarm, at the evermore flagrant manifestations by the FBI of its activities as a secret political police using methods not different in kind from the Gestapo or GPU.

The whole case of the Department of Justice against the Rosenbergs was built on the testimony of informers and "confessions" extorted either with threats of dire penalties or promises of favors. We have come to look on such "evidence" so easily manufactured — with the utmost suspicion. The stoolpigeon is not worthy of credence.

The Rosenbergs were first convicted on the unsupported testimony of a single stoolpigeon acting under extreme compulsion. The FBI then attempted to get the couple to "name names" on penalty of their lives. A merciless, inhuman cat-and-mouse game was played with the doomed pair to force them to "confess" and "inform" on others.

It is to their everlasting glory that they did not play this vile game as their tor-



and gives aid and comfort to the imperialists.

To mobilize their forces for a definitive settlement with their oppressors, the German workers need our help. American labor right here in the United States. Union of South Africa) and has the duty to demand that Washington keep its hands off East Germany, withdraw all U.S. troops from Germany, and allow the German people to handle their the racist Malan regime as well own affairs.

They Would Not Turn Stoolpigeon

turers demanded. They were offered their lives if they would only name some "accomplices." They insisted undeviatingly on their innocence; it was impossible for them People of Kenya to name any real accomplices to any real crime. But the FBI wouldn't have minded that. The Rosenbergs would only have had to "confess" and implicate others, however innocent, and the FBI would have had a tions or a mass lynching bee in new set of victims, new prosecutions, new southern United States. death penalties, new extortion of "confessions" and a new round of victims in an endless chain. Denouncing such conduct, Kikuyu Home Guards tearing the Rosenbergs chose death and broke the their way through a large section evil chain.

Millions of people watched with anxiety native independence fighters have the terrible pressure upon the Rosenbergs and wondered if they would "squeal." When they died without the blemish of the word "informer" on their souls, even some capi- has been misrepresented as a their blood were constrained to yield a newspapers, is in actuality an be stoolpigeons or bear false witness.

sneaking FBI agent or the cowardly, venal lands and subjected them to ruthinformer. The Louis Budenzes and the less exploitation for many years. Whittaker Chamberses, with their lust for publicity, gain and personal vengeance, are the ideal set before us. Even those wretched weaklings who "confess" against others legal considerations observed." on threat of losing their jobs or being That is, the British are slaughtersmeared are lauded as "patriots" and ing the people at random. The "good citizens." But they are loathsome dispatch describes how "Patrols creatures fit only for a totalitarian slave society.

The Rosenbergs who went to their deaths because they refused to defile them- get food." These ferocious measselves by turning informer for the Gestapo-

proved farming methods and The Tablet, American official Catholic weekly, June 6, reported bring to the people an awareness of their social problems.

with approval the chauvinistic statements of Archbishops Owen An attack on the schools has now come from another quarter, McCann of Capetown (Malan's The Catholic hierarchy, which Teodosio Gouveia of Mozambique (Portuguese East Africa). Both never misses an opportunity to expressed the identical view that undermine the public education

system here, joined hands with there would not be the "real menace" of nationalism and the as fascist Portugal's colonialism Mau Mau if all education had been kept under missionary con-

British Commit Atrocities Against

The latest reports of the Britisl "white supremacy" war in Kenya reveal a pattern of terror reminiscent of the Nazi extermina-

The N. Y. Times reports that during one week "125 Mau Mau were killed by British troops and of the Aberdare Forest" where

taken refuge."The British troops feeling does not exist." have been "killing everyone they met.'

MISSIONARIES FAIL The Mau Mau movement, which McCann deplored the fact that years of intense missionary work has begun (but not, as Deutscher thanks" the NATO offer to sta- Lusanka. talist papers which had been howling for British and American capitalist superstitions on more than a few Stalinism is now a thing of the during peacetime. had failed to impress Western implies in some places, that tion air forces in their country million South Africans, and even past). We also agree that the grudging admiration for their refusal to expression of a mass revolu- that much amounts to only "a only real alternative to Stalinism tionary uprising of the people of minimum of Christian ethics, in the Soviet Union is workers' The reactionaries and witch hunters of Kenya against the rule of for- which safeguards society." Even democracy. But we emphatically The reactionaries and witch nunters of eign landlords and capitalists Malan's apartheid (segregation) disagree with the contention that a Christian Democratic meeting in policies, moaned McCann, will not the end of Stalinism is going to Bielefeld when he pleaded for ple without God and without Commenting on the mass belief in tribal traditions." slaughter the Times says, "This The spontaneous efforts of the NATURE OF BUREAUCRACY

no longer is a police action in African peoples to raise their which questions are asked, and standards of culture is the best slander that the "poor, benighten- special social stratum, a caste, themselves or their allies, the lefted heathen" are not fit to govern whose interests clash with those wing Socialist Party led by themselves and would lapse into of the workers and peasants. The Pietro Nenni. The Stalinists stated land split recently and announced roam the inhabited side of the primitive savagery but for the bureaucracy did not usurp its that they "understand that Italy formation of a strip of scorched earth and shoot "white Christian privileges merely to enhance its needs a stable government and Protection Party," advocating a guidance of down anyone who comes from the

American labor to throw its huge at stake which it will fight to the account." forest to try to steal cattle or weight in support of the colonial death to preserve against the peoples' right to shape their own workers and peasants who want a manifested by the British in the future without interference from reduction of inequality in the registering strong protests, one Atlantic Pact powers. They FBI were real heroes. Decent Americans face of the popular uprising Washington, London or the sphere of consumption. Vatican. against them.

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EAST GERMAN strikes were villages as firing ranges for the reported as early as May 31 by U.S. Army. Demonstrators comthe French Press Agency (three plained about the noise, the in line, and does not believe it days after the 10% speedup danger and the "moral problem" would mean the restoration of decree). FPA reported work arising from presence of U.S. stoppages in Finsterwalde, Drestroops in villages from which 3. "Democratic regeneration." den, Leipzig and Brandenburg in able-bodied Japanese men are He sees this, on balance, as the protest against higher work norms absent on fishing trips for long periods.

most likely variant. He assumes without higher pay. In May a trol and "secularization of the that Malenkov wants to go at mutiny was also reported among native schools" suppressed. They least part of the way in this the Stalinist People's Police in undoubtedly see in an enlightened direction, and that the masses Prenzlau, where 52 officers and Africa a "real menace" to the would support his moves and give 500 policemen were arrested by Vatican's extensive property his regime the necessary stability the security forces. holdings in Africa and other within which it could initiate a colonial areas, holdings which 20,000 STEEL WORKERS went return to proletarian democracy constitute a source of considerable on strike in Budapest, beating up

HOW WILL IT END? Stalinist foremen who tried evenues. "The independent schools." ac-Some of Deutscher's arguments stop the walkouts, according to a cording to Archbishop McCann, in support of this view are based June 19 AP dispatch quoting on speculation pure and simple, Yugoslav informants who live sadors for the first time since are "sheer hotbeds of Communistic doctrine, unsound patriot- which we can neither accept nor near the Hungarian border. Six ism, and ugly gangsterism." reject at this time. But we must hundred Hungarian workers were Soviet war vessels pass through (What twisted mind could expect reject his major conclusion, which reported arrested for participating Africans to be soundly "patriotic" flows from fatal defects in his in the strike movement. to the "ugly gangsterism" of analysis of Stalinism. their imperialist overlords?) "The THE BELGIAN Socialist Party

capitalism.

We agree that even while terroristic Mau Mau movement," Stalin was alive the base of has once again come out against said Cardinal Gouveia, "is the Stalinism was being undermined the European Army Pact, calling fruit of the secular schools. . . by Soviet economic and cultural it unconstitutional and opposing Wherever there are Christian progress and the spread of revo- its ratification.

schools . . . the intense anti-white jution throughout the world. We THE DANISH Social Demoagree that the new regime, what-

ever its wishes, cannot rule in cratic leader and former Premier,

the same way that Stalin did. We Hans Hedtoft, told his party agree that the end of Stalinism Denmark "should decline with the bank and the post office at

WEST GERMAN Defense Minister. Theodor Blank was interrupted with jeers and catcalls a

'restrain the avalanche of a peo- come about as a result of a self- Germans to take up arms with the reform of the Soviet bureaucracy. West "in their own defense."

THE ITALIAN Stalinist lead-What Deutscher doesn't under- ers have formally made a bid to of tin, depending on the price it stand and slurs over is the nature Premier De Gasperi for repre- brings. refutation of the imperialist of the Soviet bureaucracy as a sentation in his cabinet of either

A SECTION of the relatively strong Communist Party of Icegentlemen." It is the duty of prestige; it has material interests they will take this necessity into reformist program. The former

Stalinist leaders heading the new party call for independence from Moscow as well as from the

JAPANESE fishermen are in the form of a sitdown, against describe themselves as Consequently a harmonious re- continued use of land near their democratic."

MALAYA has now entered its sixth year of active struggle to win freedom from British im-

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CIVIL WAR casualties in Kenya

now include 1,000 natives killed by

the British and their auxiliaries,

while the rebels have killed 411

Africans, 17 Europeans and four

YUGOSLAVIA has accepted a

Soviet offer to exchange ambas-

1949. It also agreed to let 26

the Yugoslav section of the

Danube River on their way to

Marshal Tito says his country

Soviet Union 100%.

the Black Sea for repairs. But

"will never be able to trust the

COLOR BAR defiance is

spreading in British - dominated

Northern Rhodesia, Africa, where

Negroes are beginning to demand

that they be served in the stores,

Asians. These figures are all from

white ruling-class sources.

perialism.

BOLIVIA signed an agreement with Patino Company, former owner of several nationalized tin mines in that country, granting Patino stockholders a certain percentage of revenues from the sale

"Nationality

The Negro Struggle — **Unionists and NAACP**

By Jean Blake

An important new feature was scheduled for the annual conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People this year — a national trade-union conference to be held in conjunction with the 44th annual convention of the NAACP in St. Louis, Mo., June 23-

The program planned for the union conference, according to an NAACP news release, would include "discussions of trade union programs to eliminate racial restrictions in the hiring, training, and promotion of Negro workers, securing trade union support for the NAACP's civil rights program, and a presentation of the services the Association is prepared to render to democratic non-Communist trade unions." Fraternal delegates to the conference were expected from AFL and CIO unions

with large Negro memberships. In addition, after the labor conference, Patrick Gorman, secretary-treasurer of the AFL Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America, was slated to address a mass meeting in the St. Louis Municipal Auditorium June 25.

To the extent that the new labor-conference feature of this year's NAACP convention indicates a growing consciousness of the need to cement the alliance of the labor and Negro movements in this country, it is a development to be applauded.

The program outlined for the conference, with one exception, is aimed at filling the widely-recognized need for close cooperation of Negro and labor organizations in wiping out the second-class status of colored people as workers and citizens. But

I'm always pleased — and a little sur-

prised — to read the truth about a prob-

lem like the rise of drug addiction among

teen-agers. I've seen so many reports that

characterize the juvenile addict as a "ma-

ladjusted" personality and seem to think

they've explained something. The cause of

maladjustment is always obscure. Then

there's the tough approach that considers

all so-called "delinquents" badly spoiled

hoodlums who need to be taught a good

So I studied with great interest a report

by the Committee on Public Health Relations of the New York Academy of Medi-

cine. This report was based on two confer-

ences attended by 52 experts in such fields

as medicine, psychiatry, child guidance,

say, "is a symptom of serious deprivations

suffered by many children living in large

and overcrowded cities. Juvenile addicts

must be seen as a result of deprivation

"Narcotic addiction in adolescents," they

lesson, preferably in jail.

penology, law and education.

the program of the National Negro Labor Council, organized less than two years ago and condemned as a Communist Party front by CIO and AFL officials, had substantially the same worthy objectives.

Two things have prevented the National Described at Negro Labor Council from carrying out those aims to any significant extent: the reactionary factionalism of the CIO and **Detroit Forum** AFL leaders who boycotted the movement from the start, leaving it to the mercies of those primarily interested in using it Drake, popular speaker on Negro simply to further Communist Party poli- rights, gave a stirring account of cies; and the narrow opportunism of Stalinist supporters determined to keep control of the organization at any cost.

Labor Forum. The trade-union conference sponsored by To counteract the falsehoods in the NAACP, by limiting its program to the capitalist press, Drake pre-"democratic non-Communist trade unions," sented a detailed Marxist analysis unfortunately promises to be as factional of the Kenya uprising, and the a tool of the labor bureaucracy as the conditions that produced it. He NLC has been for the Stalinists. The reported the development of tribal life, the misery and want among NAACP leadership knows very well that the Negroes who are restricted to there is no more "democracy" in some of the poorest soil, the brutal workthe CIO and AFL unions sending fraternal ing conditions of the miners, the delegates than in completely Stalinist-dom- banning of all labor unions by inated unions and in many that are incor- the white ruling class. rectly labeled "Communist."

Drake related the present uprising in Kenva to the American The only way the NAACP union confer-Revolution of 1776, the Russian ence can achieve any more fruitful results Revolution of 1917 and the than the Negro Labor Council has done Chinese Revolution of recent to date is by the intervention of rank and years. He explained the changed file Negro and white workers determined conditions of the world, producing to cut through the opportunist politics of the system, and the forces which the near-sighted Negro and white leader- drive the working people in the ship and put into effect a program of strug- capitalist countries toward a higher form of government. He gle based on the needs of the colored workurged the workers the world over ers as a doubly-exploited segment of the

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DETROIT, June 14 - Ernest

under the auspices of the Detroit

the current uprising in Kenya, KRICANS

Africa, at a meeting held here REARMS

to support the Mau Mau in their fight for equality and justice. The speaker also reported how the British authorities in Kenya have jailed Jomo Kenyatta for seven years on suspicion of being the leader of Mau Mau, and have branded him a "subversive." The

DEMAND CLEMENCY

To conclude the meeting a brief description of the witch hunt at vital conditions as double pay for home was given by the chairman, Frieda Kalb. The audience voted unanimously to demand clemency

problem in every large city has reached bergs, and sent a telegram to President Eisenhower.

be undertaken in the near future. The present administration is economizing on "luxuries" of this type.

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Gold star mothers, above, are among 800 workers on strike against Hearn's Department stores in New York City. The owners provoked the walkout by mass layoffs and refusal to negotiate a new contract with Dist. 65, CIO Distributive **Processing & Office Workers.**

NORTHERN CALIF. LABORERS **STRIKE FOR 20-CENT RAISE**

The AFL building trades laborers 10-cent ceiling set by the emthe unconditional release of Jomo ing for a 20-cents an hour in- and Warehouse Union has acceptthe big contractors are holding carpenters have always had a dif- J. G. Bradley. Bradley owns to a 10-cent an hour maximum. This offer is made on condition and this was wiped out in the houses to the prosecuting atlatest settlement. that the workers give up such

overtime and jurisdiction over foremen. The laborers have rightly unions in the same field they are rejected this offer and are pro- all bound to lose in the long run. construction jobs.

The speeches were followed by

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Mine Strikers At Widen Fight Legal Terrorism HEARNS DON'T SHOP Fis UN AMERICAN

Three of the 48 coal miners picked up at random and jailed in connection with the gun-shot slaying of a company strikebreaker at Widen, W. Va., were indicted on June 4 by a Clay County Grand

the line," was shot down in his Jury on a charge of murder. own pasture lot on June 7, ex-The dead man, Charles Frame, actly one month after the clash employed by the notorious nonunion Elk River Coal and Lumber been one of the 48 arrested in Company, which has been under picket-siege since last September, was part of a gang of company men and county deputies which opened fire on pickets meeting on the private property of a striker. In the ensuing exchange of gunfire, Frame was killed. The other 45 men who had been

in which Frame died. Nichols had connection with Frame's death. John Floyd Johnson, who lived alone on the property of Nichols, has been arrested and is said to have confessed he killed Nichols in the course of an argument. The union men point out that Johnson's two sons have scabbed in Bradley's mine.

Meanwhile, the "conspiracy"

trial of one of the eleven strikers

indicted under the infamous Red

Man Act, a law going back to

colonial times, has resulted in a

hung jury. Virgil Nelson, who

had been in an altercation with

Scott Wilhelms, a 'special deputy,"

involving an exchange of punches,

pickets who allegedly were on the

scene. They were charged with

HUNG JURY

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held were freed. They had been released originally on a bond totaling the staggering sum of \$118,000 on May 15 after spending a week in the cramped Clay County jail, which they described as "the filthiest, dirtiest, most foul smelling place imaginable." The indictment of the three union men is the climax of one of the bitterest and most heroic was arrested with ten other

American labor struggles of many years. The Widen miners have fought for nine months on the picket line for the right to a union of their own choosing, the United Mine Workers. The comface of rising living costs. No pany, which refuses to recognize union in the area has cracked the the legitimate union, fosters a company union called the "League

Widen is one of the old-time ferential over the rest of the state everything from the miners' torney and county deputies.

So long as negotiations are carried through by separate PICKET KILLED the strikebreaker was killed, one ceeding to shut down all the big The various unions ought to get of the leading union pickets has

The pattern of settlements here mands to the employers on an in- by a shotgun at close range. made public by Labor's Daily, in the past few months has hurt dustry-wide basis with the un- Delbert Richard Nichols, described America's only daily labor newsly needed by millions of working people a lively question and discussion the laborers in their effort to derstanding that no union will by his fellow unionists as "one paper, published by the Interna-crowded into the filth and misery of slum period.

"conspiracy." The jury could not agree, seven of the twelve holding for acquittal. The Red Man Act was enacted in Virginia in the early days of the Republic and incorporated into West Virginia law when that state was formed during the Civil War. Its purpose was to provide agreements to pay this raise but 10-cent an hour figure. These Coal and Lumber Co., headed by colonial settlements. It provided that all persons participating in such a raid were equally guilty of any violence committed in the course of the raid. It has been

> used primarily against coal miners during strikes.

Since the armed clash in which The facts about the Widen struggle have been buried by the capitalist papers. Most of the available information has been

together and present their de- been murdered, blasted to death I maintain living standards in the sign until all are satisfied.

It's fairly obvious that a constructive program of better housing, schools, play-grounds and other youth facilities will not Independent Class Battle in E. Germany

utter a single slogan on behalf charges about "American agents" | into the regime and put pressure the future when the opportunities comorrow? Would it be a good of the West German Republic, a precisely because this "authentic on it for concessions. thing? Should we join it if it West German politician or party workers' underground (is) beyond From that standpoint the strikes or a Western ally."

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If they were really fighting services of the Western Powers cessful, despite the brutal repres-"for us" (meaning capitalism) and immune to the political or- sions and mass arrests. The its class character and

the reach of the intelligence must be termed eminently suc-

WILL CONTINUE As Handler wrote: "In view of

one end of the country to the East German underground prob-

solve the problem because only a small percentage of the teen-age population used Kenyatta, leader of the Kenya crease. 20% of the smaller con- ed 61/2 cents. The Bay Area company towns, completely owned penalties for persons masking as narcotics as a compensating factor."

American working class.

The Teen-Age Addicts

By Joyce Cowley

I don't get this. Wouldn't the housing, playgrounds and clubs help this small percentage? Or are they afraid of wasting such improvements on the majority of teen-agers who manage to get by without them and still don't resort to narcotics?

And what do they mean by the "mere" provision of better housing? The housing and a new trial for the Rosena state of crisis and a solution is desperateareas.

The report goes a long way when it admits that narcotic addiction is not so much

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takes place?" It was raining the next

Africa Union. A telegram con- tractors have signed interim carpenters have settled for the and dominated by the Elk River Indians and making raids on taining this demand was sent to the British government.

By R. Gale SAN FRANCISCO, June 17 meeting went on record to demand of Northern California are strik- ployers. The powerful Longshore of Widen Miners."

rather than as a problem of moral degeneracy or failure of law enforcement. Adolescents use narcotics to compensate for lacks of recreation, adequate social contacts, suitable employment and satisfactory living conditions."

So far so good. But when they come to a solution, they falter. "It was the judgment of the conference," the Times reports, "that no simple solution existed for the problem of addiction, that the matter was enormously complex and had to be approached from every known angle. . . The mere provision of better housing, more * diction, but so many other social disorders playgrounds and teen-age clubs would not of a sick society.

an illness of the individual as a symptom ing, but neither the weather nor they surely didn't show it by ganizations of the middle - class Stalinist regime was shaken from anonymity of its leadership, the of social conditions. But it fails to draw the cancellation of the 10% what they demanded. Judging by Bonn Government." the necessary conclusion — that the only speedup kept the workers from what they said and did, we must real solution is to change the social condi- turning out by the tens of thoustions and the only way to do that is to kick which again converged on the out the representatives of Big Business government buildings, this time who control Washington. Send men and from several directions, and which "SPONTANEOUS"?

women there who represent American again raised demands, this time workers and farmers, who will take over of an exclusively political charand run things in the interests of all the acter:

"Free elections." people. Then we'll get action. Then we'll "Ivan go home." "Withdraw the eliminate the wretchedness of big-city Soviet occupation forces.' slums which breed not only narcotic ad-"Re-unite Germany."

"Down with the government."

spontaneous outburst." Five days

Because by then even the bers of the Social Democratic Stalinist authorities had admitted Party, the country's chief working-This time the German Stalinist what at first was only rumored - class party, whose East German cops attacked, trying to break up that the demonstrations had section was merged with the CP mrt. SPRING CAMP PLANS BIG the demonstration before it reachspread out of Berlin into every in the Socialist Unity Party. ed the government buildings. large and medium-sized city in all They may include past or present

the workers fought back bitterly, of East Germany. The general members of the Communist DOINGS JULY 4th WEEK-END though they were unarmed. They strike hit every industry in the Party, disillusioned by Stalinism attacked police headquarters, country, and apparently closed after eight postwar years. turned over and burned police down most plants and mines. It is significant that on June vehicles, destroyed propaganda Police were beaten to death; in 22 the CP Central Committee

booths and both Soviet and U.S. at least one city the workers castigated "tens of thousands" of of July weekend. zonal-boundary markers. Fight- stormed the prison and released its members for having "done Friday night there will be a political prisoners; in most cities nothing" to suppress the strikes, camp-fire weenie roast and songing became general. Unable to keep control with the the radio and Stalinist "activists" On the same day it was reported fest. On Saturday there will be

police, the authorities then called were still pleading with the that the mayor Doebernitz in pingpong and badminton tournain Soviet troops and armor. After workers to return to their jobs Saxony - Anhalt, himself a mem- ments, athletic events and a big some hours they were able to clear several days after June 17. ber of the CP, had been executed social. On Sunday William F. the streets. More than a dozen Of course there is an element for knocking down a Stalinist cop Warde will deliver the traditional were killed, more than 100 were of spontaneity in every mass ac-, who fired into a crowd of de- Fourth of July oration. The talk vestigating body as to whether he njured in Berlin alone on June 17. tion. That is, an action can be monstrators. Some police were Martial law was declared, and planned carefully and yet surprise executed for refusing to carry out American History." In the after- he was. a worker was quickly executed its organizers by assuming a orders to disperse the workers. noon there will be a New York

a worker was quickly executed its organizers of account of the soviet authorities as a magnitude greater than even they WAS IT A DEFEAT? warning to the others. But the dared expect. Perhaps that hapdemonstration had turned into a pened this time too.

The Times' editors asserted that But there can be no doubt that the German workers were fighting biggest fish out of the pond over transport was stopped, no papers this was an organized action -"blindly, . hopelessly." This ac-

the weekend. appeared, most of the workers splendidly organized. Handler cords with the sinister capitalist A delicious and king-sized menu cited many things to show this. propaganda theme that Stalinist designed to please both gourmets domination can be ended only by In Berlin one man who had and chowhounds has been worked brought a big group from his imperialist war, which the Times out.

expecting the arrival of several can rise to overthrow a totalitarian Accommodations consist of editors of the N. Y. Times (June thousand more men. Shortly after government. Such regimes can double rooms in the new lodge 18) hastened to assure its readers this conversation took place only be destroyed by conquest limited empirication and difference on the destroyed by conquest limited empirication and the destroyed empi the demonstrators were "fighting several thousand reinforcements from outside." (June 18). limited amount of dormitory space is available. It is imperative

But were the great strikes in East Germany unsuccessful? This that reservations be made at once as an overflow crowd is expected. can be maintained only if one be-

lieves that their aim was the Daily rates — including meals Moreover, "the rapidity and immediate overthrow of the gov- and lodging - are \$6.50 and \$6 simultaneity of the strike ernment, that is, if they were for adults, and \$4 for children. this year because of a shortage of storage bins But they could not point to a throughout East Germany" not intended as an insurrection to These rates will prevail for the summer season. Weekly rates are ganization, but leadership and The evidence points the other \$40 and \$37.50 for adults, and

organization of a superior type. way. The workers who participat. \$25 for children. Far from having "no leader. ed were all unarmed; the or-The Mountain Spring Children's articles on the situation that ap- ship," Handler concludes from ganizers knew they had armed Camp still has room for a few liberties.

the House Un-American Activities Committee, (N. Y. Times, June 20 and 21), "to the existence of a nameless tend with. The signs all lead to week. The Children's Camp will pendent unions recognizing the A number of CIO and indeand faceless workers' underground the conclusion that the strikes open July 1. danger to the labor movement "Not one of a half dozen re- organization in East Germany," were organized as a protest Inquiries and reservations are supporting the campaign of porters who circulated among the led and directed "by men of vast demonstration with limited though should be addressed to: Mountain the ACLU, as well as taking

vestigate race relations in South Africa. He once rioters in East Berlin could experience in conspiracy and crucial aims — to show the work-refused a job in the State Department because affirm on being questioned that direct action." Bill.

Notes from the News!

THE ASSASSIN OF LEON TROTSKY, the GPU agent called Frank Jackson, who has spent the last 13 years in a Mexican prison, will be eligible for parole in six months. He was given a 20year sentence after killing the exiled Bolshevik leader on Stalin's orders in August 1940.

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THE CREWS who take 500,000 sightseers each year to the Statue of Lliberty in New York harbor conducted a successful forty-four-hour strike last week. Their dispute had to be taken directly to the Federal Department of the Interior. The boatmen won 35 cents an hour wage increase, extra overtime pay, a shorter work week, and a pension and welfare fund.

FIVE RAILROAD UNION heads told the Association of American railroads that further negotiations on grievances will be futile unless the employers retract threats to obtain a no-strike pledge from them with the aid of a "Congressional blackjack." A log-jam of more than 5,000 worker grievances has piled up while railroad executives have been seeking government legislation to aid their stalling. * * *

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THREE CIO UNIONS are reported to be discussing merger with AFL unions. The 65,000 member CIO International Brewery Workers, with 329 locals throughout the country, was said to be conferring with the huge AFL Teamsters Union. The executive officers of the CIO's 78,500 member Utility Workers were reported meeting with the head of the AFL's International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. It has previously been rumored that similar talks were taking place between Ralph Helstein, head of the CIO United Packinghouse Workers, and Patrick Gorman, secretary-treasurer of the AFL Amalgamated Meat Cutters & Butcher Workmen.

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YOUNGSTOWN'S POLICE CHIEF claims ogling is indecent - even on the covers of a book. Looking at a paper-backed edition of James

T. Farrell's "Young Lonigan," which he banned, the chief said in court its cover shows "the kind of ogling that goes on at many street corners and which our police officers would break up if they saw it." When the defense lawyer for the publishers said he wanted to learn what an ogle was "before I ever go back to Youngstown," the police chief snapped back: "You'll find out if you try one on the street.'

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OFFERING A FIVE-POINT program to main tain full employment, CIO President Reuther said June 20th that two million more jobs had to be created each year to avoid a serious sag in the economy. An accompanying CIO study reported that "rising man-hour ouput tends to displace from 1,000,000 to 1,750,000 working people each

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THE WITCH-HUNTING PACK is now howling for the scalp of Emanuel Block, attorney for WHOM THEY FOUGHT FOR Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. Led by American Legion posts, they are calling upon the New York Bar Association to disbar Block because he said: "I feel ashamed I am an American today" shortly before the Rosenbergs were electrocuted and branded Eisenhower as a murderer at their funeral. * * *

NATIONAL FARMERS UNION president, Patton wrote President Eisenhower that grain farmers face a possible two-billion dollar loss for the 1953 bumper wheat crop. He said farmers single concrete fact to support only indicated leadership and or- take power. were being forced to sell wheat at from 40 to 75 them. cents below parity prices for lack of storage space.

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according to Congressman Adam Clayton Powell reported: Jr. Dr. Bunche, a winner of the Nobel peace prize,

is now a member of the UN committee to inof Jim Orow in Washington.

The Stalinists denounced the factory told an observer "he was stated explicitly: ". . . no people "foreign hirelings" and the

and dying for all of us." Was it did arrive at the street intersecactually then a pro-capitalist tion specified." demonstration?

general political strike. All

stayed away from the plants.

Both sides searched carefully WORKERS' UNDERGROUND for any evidence that could be twisted to confirm their claims.

A few days later M. S. Handler, who wrote the most searching

DR. RALPH BUNCHE is being investigated by peared in the capitalist press the evidence, the uprising points police and Soviet armor to con- more children. Rates are \$30 per

they heard the demonstrators Handler dismissed the Stalinist their grievances, to strike fear ington 1352.

The imperialist "intelligence" other; its prestige was dealt a ably will continue to function as conclude that they were fighting forces could never have organized blow from which it may never an independent organization prefor themselves, for their own in- the East German uprising, he recover. In addition to repressions, ferring to follow its own line in

and no leadership, for this was a populace such as occurred."

words.

terests, for their own aspirations. continues, "for the simple reason the rulers had to make a long pursuit of its own aims." that these services are not series of concessions to the living When the East German workequipped by intellectual forma- standards of the workers, and to ers are linked up with their West

The Times' editors confidently tion, training or the personal promise many more. Most im- German brothers, together followasserted the morning after June tastes of their operatives to portant, the workers were able to ing their own line in pursuit of 17 that "there was no planning engineer mass movements of the see for themselves their own their own aims, then both the strength, militancy and solidarity imperialist and Stalinist schemes Just who these leaders are - qualities which they know they for Germany will be defeated, and later they had to eat these remains still to be determined, retain and will be able to Germany will be re-unified on a They may include former mem- translate into effective action in socialist basis.

Preparations at Mountain Spring Camp are underway for an extra-special program of fun over the Fourth



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Even the Cleveland Plain versus Newark-and-Philadelphia Dealer reporter, Alvin Silverman, baseball game. A prize will be noted in his article on passage of given to the angler who pulls the the measure:

> "Reversing the traditional American view that a man is innocent until proved guilty, the legislation would force a state employee to prove his innocence f he refused to answer, even on the grounds that it might incriminate him."

The vote on this bill was 13 against, 108 for.

Both measures have been reerred to the Senate.

BILLS' OPPONENTS The Cleveland Civil Liberties Union, which has been outstanding in leading the opposition to the Devine Bill, is winning wide-

spread support for its campaign

to alert the citizens of the state to the danger to their civil