The Atrocities In Egypt

The methods used by the British and French imperial ists in their military attack on the Suez canal show that | Vol. XX - No. 49 they considered their primary enemy to be the Egyptian working people. A careful reading of the battle reports from the Suez city of Port Said reveals the following atrocities: On Nov. 6, the imperialist commanders carried out a deliberate punitive expedition against the civilian working class population of Port Said, destroying the entire working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of AidedbyGov't Lungary Working class district, and killing thousands of Moreign Working class district, and killing thousands of Working class district, and killing thousands of Moreign Working class district, and killing thousands of Moreign Working Class district, and killing thousands of Working Class district, and killing Class district dist working people. A careful reading of the battle reports

"According to a Port Said dispatch by Hanson W. Injunctions "According to a Port Said dispatch by Hanson W. Baldwin in the Nov. 1 New York Times, "The British advanced supported by tanks and guns of the fleet, and the Forty-Fitth Commando probed into the narrow congested streets of the old part of town." "Port Said suffered streets of the old part of town." "Port Said suffered the longshoremen to temporarily the longshoremen to temporarily and their solid tierum of all heaviny," says Baldwin, "and many civilians — the exact end their solid tie-up of all number may never be known - were killed or wounded. . Atlantic and Gulf ports, the The old part of town suffered especially heavily. Whole shoremen's Association goes to blocks were burned out or reduced to rubble or tottering court today to fight a National walls." Baldwin reports that the British commander Labor Relations Board injunction praised the performance of United States Artillery pieces against their most prominent used in the attack.

"Nobody knows," said Howard Handleman in an In- Friday morning the ILA will ternational News Service dispatch in the Nov. 17 Chicago Hartly injunction, which the defender, "how many died in Tuesday's British naval and shippers want extended from its air bombarument of the Arab shanty town section of Port present 10-day period to the full Said. . . The Egyptian general hospital's eight wards are 80-day "cooling off period" overflowing with wounded. Most are men, women and provided for in the anti-labor children, hacked down by strafing bullets in Tuesday's battle for Medina, the poor Arab quarter. . . At least a had warned when threatened by square mile of houses had been raised to the ground."

In "the shanty town area that is now a fire blackened strikes on their hands the original scar . . . the death toll is a matter for conjecture," says one which started Nov. 15, and Robert C. Doty in the Nov. 21 N. Y. Times. The official another one after the injunction British estimate was 500 killed and wounded, while Egyptians in the slum area "insisted" that 7,000 had been face of an injunction against the killed, Doty reports.

The imperialists and their political and military agents caused the retreat of the antihate the Arab working people, because the workers are labor Commission. the most militant force in the struggle for Egyptian na- II.A DEMANDS tional independence. In an attempt to crush the Arab The New York Shippers Assorevolution, imperialism resorts to massacres of the work- ciation resists the demand of the ing class.

The United Nations, under the domination of the in New York. The facts, as set capitalist government of the U.S., has filled the air of its forth in a report of the ILA Research Department are that assembly halls with hypocritical outcries against Kremlin the New York Shippers operate barbarity toward the Hungarian workers.

But true to its role as an agency of imperialism, the the industry in both the Atlantic UN has been completely silent about the equally barbarous and Gulf Coasts. conduct of the British and French imperialist armies ainst the Egyptian workers.

Stalinist Oppressors



Former Soviet Premier Malenkov (right), who was deposed by Party boss Khrushchev (left), is now in Budapest directing the puppet Kadar government. According to a Nov. 28 Associated Press dispatch, Malenkov is responsible for Kadar's recent switch from promises to renewed threats of reprisals against the striking Hungarian workers.

THE MULITIAN I.

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strike demand - a coastwide contract.

Taft-Hartly Law.

The East Coast longshoremen the injunction that if applied the shippers would have two ended. Last year the ILA conducted an eight-day strike in the New York-New Jersey Bi-State Waterfront Commission and

ILA for coastwide bargaining, claiming its jurisdiction is only along the entire East Coast, and its offices and agents dominate

In addition to a coastwide con tract, the ILA strike demands include limited cargo slingloads, no reduction in work gangs, and a two-year contract, with a 32 cent wage increase over the present basic \$2.48 an hour.

Although the injunction weapon was enacted into the T-H law by weakening strike militancy, the eriod could be used by the strik-

never forgotten the bitter strug- selves.

Militant Editor To Participate in I. F. Stone's Weekly is spon-

soring a symposium in New York on "The Meaning of the Bill of Rights: Socialism and Democracy - East and West." Participating in the discussion will be spokesmen for The Militant, Monthly Review, Labor Action, Socialist Call, American Socialist and Liberation. I. F. Stone will serve as moderator. Full opportunity will be given for discussion from the audience.

The following speakers have een announced so far: "The Militant — Dan Roberts, Labor Action - Hal Draper, American Socialist - Harry Braverman, Liberation — A. J. Muste.

to the basic freedoms and safeguards embodied in it. How can zine (Nov. 15). these be carried over into Socialist society?" It is with a view to contributing to the clarification of these problems, Stone said, that he had made the invitations to participate in the discussion.

Left-Wing Forum To Break Spirit of

By George Lavan NOV. 29 — Continuance of the general strike in Hungary, the fact that even those workers who have reentered the factories are not working but, under the leadership of their councils, are holding meet-D

ings, shows the dominance of the 26 bitterly assailing Nagy. The industrial working class in Hungary's struggle against the Kremlin. That the workers have played against this speech deducing

the dominant role since the very beginning of the uprising is freely acknowledged by a member of the committee of Budathe eve of Bill of Rights Day, pest University students which work was done in Budapest than Friday, Dec. 14, at 8 p. m. at Community Church, 40 E. 35th St. The shooting down of these In announcing the meeting, I. demonstrators set off the upris-ing. The student leader, Istvan Europe have given new meaning B., was interviewed by a foreign correspondent of Reporter maga-

WE JOINED WORKERS'

started the actual armed insurrection," the student fighter admitted. "They called us cowards and opportunists because we hesitated at first before joining them on the barricades. But it was our moral duty to reflect on whether we really had the right to use violence. As educated men we must be sure we are guided by reason and not simply by emotion. When we satisfied ourselves that reason and justice were on the side of the revolution, we got arms and joined up with the workers. They fought! ing union to further strengthen "sedition" case won dismissal of ing a Negro's home in June, bombing of the house were part magnificently, but I think we students did all right too."

ticularly in winning over support and bombing charges which had Negro leader and chief counsel racial strife and bring about a When the Russian army with cracy of the USSR and that of from other sections of the labor been brought against them by for Bown, had objected to the political revolution that would its overwhelming military su- Yugoslavia and last but not least was able to carry on the struggle. the Kremlin. It has put a quesfamily moved in their home was indicted in September, 1954.) after the Supreme Court ruled iliary role in the uprising, were cow and Belgrade. While Pravda,

As they had fought magnif- against the Yugoslav ruler, the ers, continue to struggle magnifbeing carried on in the midst of terrible destruction, hunger and cold - and under the very guns of the occupying army.

At this writing Kremlin-installed Premier Kadar is once hurled at Paul Robeson) to be the concessions previously pro- the same time he tried to salvage the 'defenders' of Hungary, we mised the workers in the attempt moral leadership of the moveto coax them back into the plants. ments in East Europe by blaming Letters to the Daily Worker He has bitterly denounced former Kremlin misrule for the condiare expressing support for the Piemier Nagy, whom the work- tions which caused the Hungarian a question of fascism taking over 28 a "Boston Workingman" cabinet and whom the Soviet Yugoslav embassy in Budapest Nov. 20 issue: "These facts (of link the whole Hungarian peo- Kadar's tough line has been Nagy and members of his govattributed in unconfirmed rumors ernment. to the presence of a top Kremlin TITO SPEECH

comes after the failure of a gary and bitterly criticizing the back-to-work movement that was rulers of the USSR. Among the included in their conditions for the Soviet Communist Party as the fruit of several weeks of points Tito made were the folwell. Instead of handing the negotiations with the leaders of lowing: Hungarian workers arms to help the Budapest Workers' Council. ". . . Certain people who are Rodney asks: "What happens them police their land, together After several false starts, the today again beginning to slander leaders of the council ordered a our country and who are at the one-day "test" return to the head of the Communist Parties lacked confidence in the workers factories (Nov. 26), during which in the Eastern countries and also that all Hungary was treated day it would be seen whether in certain Western countries . . . Kadar would carry out his want to throw the blame for the The Soviet Union, he declares, promises. These included an in- events in Poland and Hungary terview of the council leaders on our shoulders. . . This perwith deported Premier Nagy and fidious tendency originates from ing class of a given country union members and then get out the beginning of withdrawal of those obdurate Stalinist elements

> little work was done. Continuance of the back-to-work movement the Soviet Communist Party they Kadar's speech the night of Nov.

Latest Threats Fail The Revolutionists

Central Committee of Budapest Factory Workers on Nov. 27 placarded the city with protests from it Kadar's return to Stalinism and a permanent Soviet occupation of Hungary. On Nov. 28, the N. Y. Times reports less

In the provinces the general strike appears even more solid than in Budapest where workers seem confused by the contradictory policies of their leaders. United Press correspondent Russell Jones, the only American reporter still in Hungary, wrote "It was the workers who on Nov. 28, after completing a

(Continued on page 2)

In Structure Of Stalinism

By John Thayer

The Hungarian Revolution is

ly tempered its first harsh words tions is not yet clear.

The chronology of that clash is as follows. Tito had aspired to the role of patron saint of the movements for de-Stalinization and national independence in the East European countries. But when events in Hungary far outdistanced those in Poland and the masses took up arms, formed workers' councils, etc. Tito became alarmed. He justified the use of Russian troops to end "chaos" and "anarchy" there. At

On Nov. 16 the Yugoslav radio broadcast a long speech made by Tito defining the Yugoslav Com-In any event Kadar's new line munist Party's position on Hun-

that have succeeded in various

". . . At the 20th Congress of (Continued on page 3)

Case Squashed by Kentucky Court NOV. 20 - An important vic- | him to introduce allegedly sub- | them in Milwaukee when the the employers as a means of tory for civil liberties was scored versive books against Vernon house blew up. today when Carl Braden and six Bown, who was scheduled to be "Hamilton [the o-defendants in the Louisville tried on the charge of dynamit- charged that the purchase and

Frame-Up Charges in Louisville

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THE CUSTOMERS!

captures the spirit of militant solidarity that has prevailed in

the bus protest movement in both Montgomery and Tallahassee,

Fla. See page 4 for interviews with the Tallahassee freedom

This cartoon which appeared in the labor press last April

the strike organization, part the sedition, conspiracy, contempt 1954. Harry S. McAlpin, local of a Communist plot to stir up ternational Longshoremen's and charges against the seven came connected with the explosion." Warehousemen's union, which after Carl and Anne Braden had The militancy of the ILA is bombed by racist elements. The

Judge Curtis refused to allow sons who said Bown was with \$5,500.

warehousemen's union, which purchased a house in an all- who moved in with the Wade state sedition law was used for ers' councils and general strike between Tito of Yugoslavia and sympathy strike, and the Na- white neighborhood for resale to family to protect them against the first time." tional Maritime Union are al. Andrew Wade IV, a young Negro violence. He and six other white Last June, Carl Braden's con- All other elements in the populaready giving their support to veteran. After Wade and his supporters of the Wades were spiracy conviction was reversed tion, which had played an aux- achieved reconciliation of Mos-

search warrants. The prosecutor a result of high bail bonds.

movement. The West Coast In- the State of Kentucky. The use of any evidence not directly lead to the overthrow of the gov- periority crushed the Hungarian within the Kremlin leadership iternment of the U.S. and Kentucky people's armed resistance, only self. (Bown is a white truck driver by force and violence. An old the working class with its work- The most open clash has been

"The prosecutor had admitted in the Steve Nelson case that without organization or weapons the Kremlin mouthpiece, recentindicated by the Nov. 25 New state of Kentucky tried to frame he couldn't convict Bown unless such statutes were invalid. for further struggle. York Times, in an article dealing those who had come forward to he was allowed to use books and Braden and I. O. Ford, a cowith U.S. Maritime labor: "The protect the Wade home as having papers seized in two raids on defendant, spent eight and five cently against the Russian tanks, exact temperature of their rela-American sea-going unions have committed the bombing them- Bown's home, both without months respectively in prison as so in military defeat the workgles of a generation ago when In a statement issued today, said he didn't have enough Andrew Wade is still engaged icently by means of strike

they began to win real bargain- the Louisville defendants report: evidence to convict Bown of the in a court fight over the owner- action, picket lines, sit-down ing power. . . The concept that "The prosecutor asked for bombing. McAlpin had filed ship of his house which still lies strikes, mass meetings and employers are enemies is ac- dismissal of all charges after sworn statements of three per- in ruins. Damage amounted to protest delegations. All this is

Voices in CP's Begin to Speak Up on Hungary Perhaps the most dramatic ex- troops in Hungary. The leftward have been many very different Lester Rodney, who has tried to as picketed Pythian Temple again talking tough to the strik-

By Herman Chauka

the Communist parties through- Peter Fryer, Hungarian corre- writings of Leon Trotsky are cists . . . perhaps some who out the world since the Khrushchev relations at the 20th Worker. Fryer resigned from of the British Communist Party. Yet, by and large, it seems to Congress of the CPSU has entered the Daily Worker after it re- In Poland, despite Gomulka's me as I've read the news, the tered a qualitative new stage fused to print two of his dis- unprincipled declaration against majority of the 'rebels' are work- justified because it had become Hungarian revolution. On Nov. ers demand be restored to the uprising. To dramatize this, the with the Kremlin intervention in patches from Hungary.

lin cult at the 20th Congress the clared: "The great mass of the cause is being manifested. Writflood gates of long suppressed Hungarian people have no desire ing in the government newspaper rank-and-file criticisms of the to return to capitalism and want Zycie Warsawi Nov. 23, Roman policies and bureaucratic meth- to retain all the positive social Jurys draws the analogy between it can be that workers can rise by smothered centrifugal tenden- 4 fight fascists; they fought agents, he declared, is utterly become what is called 'pie card.' party every basic point of past and they could find no Hungar- he said, "is a mutiny . . . against crisis has become complete, Mass terviews. No honest Communist of socialism.' defections, including those of can now ignore the truth about prominent leaders, are now tak- Hungary." ing place in virtually all of the Communist parties.

Hungarian revolution. There is determination of nations.

With the demolition of the Sta- after his resignation, Fryer de- sympathy for the Hungarian ods of the leaderships in the achievements of the past twelve the Hungarian events and the various parties was opened. At years. Nor did the Soviet troops Poznan uprising of last June. the same time all the previous- which entered Budapest on Nov. To blame either on foreign cies came into play. In each workers, soldiers and students false. "Hungary, in my view," program and tradition was challians to fight alongside of them. lenged. Since the outbreak of These are the conclusions I jective rights of development in the Hungarian revolution the reached after hundreds of in- the process of its construction

Fryer made clear that he in-But an important new element munist Party to "fight for a re- of the Communist Party are also these same leaders start to use the right to bar fascism, defend to a blood bath." has been added to the crisis by the turn to socialist principles." Ac- beginning to be heard in sup- secret police, oppressive laws socialism, change governments, now the beginning of breaks with land, he will not be alone in tion. The Nov. 25 issue of the to maintain their power. Work-Stalinist policies from the left. the fight. Rank-and-file opposi- Worker publishes the views of ers can fight with passion Individuals and groups within tion to the Daily Worker's white- Sidney Roger, a California radio against unequal treatment-parvarious Communist parties are wash of the intervention is wide- commentator sympathetic to the ticularly at the hands of leadtaking a stand of solidarity with spread. According to figures in Soviet Union. Roger takes his ers who prate socialism while the Hungarian revolution and are the Worker itself, one quarter stand with the Hungarian work- they live high." speaking out for the Leninist of those attending nine area ers. He writes: "It's hard to de- On the staff of the Daily Rodney concludes with this solid new regime. . . Hungary would principle of the right of self- meetings on this question were termine who all the 'rebels' in Worker itself there has been point: "So long as we permit then go on to new democratic was certainly not helped by [the new Soviet leaders] con-

In a public statement issued sake of Soviet concessions, open cialism continued." the Stalinist violation of the ob-

WHO ARE 'REBELS'?

In the U.S., voices from withtended to remain in the Com- in the ranks and the periphery the fat of the land, and when derogates to the Soviet Union cording to all reports from Eng- port of the Hungarian revolu- and rigid censorship in order in other countries? Regardless,

came with the declaration of underscored by the fact that the isolated pockets of former fas- in Hungary. spondent for the London Daily now being studied by members wanted to return to capitalism. the Hungarian revolution for the ers and students who wanted so-

Drawing an effective analogy to the trade union movement, Roger writes: "Maybe we should those who hate fascism. But there try to understand why and how up against a workers government. In trade unions here at home entrenched leadership can They are the self-perpetuating leaders who like their piece of easy pie so much they do everything to stay in power."

"Workers can rise in fury against their own leaders, even

opposed to the use of Soviet Hungary have been. There must thus far one writer, sports editor the type of fascist-minded crowd achievements."

The crisis which has gripped came with the declaration of underscored by the fact that the insulation are presented by the fact that the insulation are presented by the fact that the insulation are presented by the fact that the insulation of this development character of this development came with the declaration of underscored by the fact that the insulation are presented by the insulation are pre

CRUCIAL QUESTIONS Answering the contention that

the Kremlin intervention was Hungary, Rodney writes in the the activity of fascist elements) is another body of facts that disturb me too. If a counterrevolutionary fascist government was certain to prevail, how is it that the most tenacious fight. ing mass of workers, at Csepel, but for the Soviet people and laying down arms elections participated in by all parties which

support socialism." to the class struggle, the role with the Hungarian army, it so their own emancipators, when of a working class of a country these leaders start to live off against its own enemies, if one mind you, of whether the work-WANTS the intervention."

lation to the Hungarian events,

are abdicating."

ple with Horthy fascists.

"Sure the fascists and their buddies came pouring in," he personage, supposedly Malenkov, writes, "and the way this was in Budapest. answered showed the utter contempt the Soviet leaders felt not only for all things Hungarian

should "arm the masses of trade of Budapest and Hungary. The Soviet troops. Discussing the role of the Revolutionary Councils would While an increased number parties in still maintaining their American Communist Party in remeet in Budapest and set up a of workers reentered the plants, positions.

Issue of Hungary

By Harry Ring

One of the results of the Hungarian revolution has been a sharpening of the struggle within the Communist Party in this country. The faction in the CP leadership class in the U.S., I can agree Pope in Rome, which one might advantage of the situation. In garian revolutionists. After the unions militant and democratic gram include unconditional op-

headed by Party Chairman Wil-9liam Z. Foster defends the Soviet Soviet intervention to the verdict intervention in Hungary while of history, why then his aggresthe opposing faction, led by Daily sive attack on the Fosterites? He Worker editor John Gates, is explains, "If we succumb to this critical of Soviet policy in the again [i.e., to blind apologetics situation, although it, too, op- for the Kremlin] we are finish- some of the old practices that would tear away the foundations outside of Hungary than within whole nation is the result of imposes the legitimate struggle of ed as an effective organization have hindered the working-class the Hungarian workers. National among the American people, for Secretary Eugene Dennis who now and for the future." had been trying to function as a Flinching at the charge levelbalance of power between the led at the Gates tendency that it for condemnation of the existing them in bondage. two conflicting tendencies has is trying to cultivate "respectalined up on the Hungarian ques-bility" with the American ruling tion with Foster.

Nov. 21 Daily Worker, Foster problem fundamental to our exconcedes that it is a "world tragedy" that it has been "neces- bility," or legitimacy among the sary to conduct an armed struggle against a mass movement which undoubtedly had the backing of the bulk of the Hungarian reople."

However, he asserts, "Fascistlike reaction . . . was able to seize upon the just grievances of the people, especially their milicant demonstrative demand workers. for national independence, and to misdirect them into reactionary and fascist channels."

'HOW DO YOU KNOW'

"It was in this situation," Foster continues. "Upon the request of the Hungarian Kadar government, that the Soviet Union . . . stepped in to restore order in Hungary and to prevent a Actentially highly dangerous victory for ultra-reaction."

Max Gordon takes issue with the Fosterites in the Nov. 23 Daily Worker and defends its editorial line. He correctly characterizes the Fosterite stand as a "platform of the old, blind apologetics" for the Kremlin and disputes the thesis that the Hungarian revolution was fascistinspired or fascist-led.

"Unquestionably counter-revolutionary elements were extremely active in the rebellion," they had taken over the rebellion until the lies were dispelled. and could have imposed their own regime?'

"the reports from Hungary empaper did not print, that at all times the Hungarian workers could have checked the counterrevolutionary elements.'

Thus Gordon agrees that the sive force in the situation, and he sees merit in Fryer's report that the workers were fully this revolution and refuses to counterrevolutionists. One would defend it against the Kremin therefore assume that Gordon is opposed to the Kremlin intervention, the sole justification for which has been the claimed imminent danger of capitalist restoration. But there is a limit to Gordon's criticism of the Kremlin's actions. His stand on the intervention boils down to a weaseling "yes, no, maybe."

"I believe," says Gordon despite the very facts he has just workers to understand the cited, that, "the verdict of history will be that this intervention was necessary," But, he Hastily adds, "I do not think it impossible that history may record it as a great blunder."

Since Gordon is quite willing to leave the crucial issue of

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istence, in cultivating "respectawe have no reason for existence."

concern for the fate of the Hungarian working class but solely up what I mean. whether the Kremlin intervention should be defended or

It is true that servile apologists workers. But neither can op- and not just to Stalinism. portunists who seek "legitimacy" istence."

against a fascist counter-revolu- V. P. Nixon, over TV. . . . tion that was overwhelming the A cloud of suspicion is thrown Hungarian workers — then it over the Hungarian disturbances,

"Even today," he continues, garian working class is leading tion laws and quotas have been phasize that it is the organized national independence against by popular subscription (\$11,000 workers who are in the lead of the Kremlin overlords. This, and locally), etc. This would never the struggle. And London Daily not considerations of expediency, have been done for bona-fide so-Worker correspondent Peter dictates to genuine Marxists that cialist workers. Nor would Rep-Fryer, who was on the spot, they support the Hungarian resentative Walter, co-author of reported in a dispatch, which his workers against their oppres-

the efforts of the State Depart-Thus Gordon agrees that the revolution for Wall Street's eastern and southern borders: "In pression of these nationalities, war. Wall Street's machinations, either.

The American workers are sympathetic to the Hungarian revolution. There is only one effective way to prevent that entirely legitimate sympathy from being exploited by the State Department and the labor fakers. That is to help the American decisive fact that the aims of the Hungarian workers are in direct conflict with those of the

State Department. The State Department works for the restoration of capitalist reaction in Hungary. The Hungarian workers fight for a national freedom based on socialist foundations. To rally support for Hungarian labor explicitly on the basis of their wholly progressive aspirations is the only way to mobilize opposition to the reactinary schemes of U.S. imperialism. For this task, the full truth

is indispensable. To dodge the facts and wind up with shamefaced "critical" endorsement of the Kremlin intervention, as Gordon does, contributes no more to the struggle against Wall Street's aims in Hungary then does the "blind apologetics" of the Fosters.

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Gates Group Ducks Reader Questions Line on Hungary

For the last several months I have been receiving your publication, and on certain points I to see it furthered, but-I would first like to have the

kind of political party spelled out. Are we going to continue political parties in the past? Is this new party to be a vehicle socialist governments?

I raise this issue and feel that class, Gordon declares, "This is it is of importance in the founda-Writing on the issue in the false. But we do have a real tion of such a workers party. I also feel that the moving ion. forces in establishing such a American workers. Without this, party should have the facts on issues before they endeavor to interpret events and advance In short, Gordon's difference policy. In an effort to be brief EDITOR'S REPLY with the Foster tendency is not I will confine myself to the present Hungarian situation, to point Dear G. F.

I think your publication has been swayed by past differ-"criticized" before the American ences and has made a hasty decision in your support to the pose of our letter column is to truth. His only concern is with know, from the past, you have points of view. what is "respectable" in America. no love for Stalinism and thus, no doubt, are overlooking the for the Kremlin bureaucracy facts that a successful counter the events in Hungary and your cannot win a following for so- revolution in Hungary would be suggestion that our opposition clialism among the American a blow to socialism as a whole

I fail to find in your paper without concern for socialist prin- a concrete analysis of the events ciples. The highest obligation of in Hungary and of how the sogenuine Marxists is to first called "socialist workers" got ascertain and then to tell the the arms to stage their revolt. truth. Failing this, they as- Nor is there mention of the role suredly "have no reason for ex- of the U.S. State Department in Eastern Europe and I would like For example, if in fact, the to get my information from a Soviet Army had intervened workers paper instead of from sector as well. Accordingly, we,

would be the duty of revolu- in the light of the welcome aftionary socialists in all lands to forded the Hungarian "refudefend that action, no matter how gees." When, in history, has a much the capitalist class lied capitalist government, equipped Gordon writes. "But how can about the action and how un- with such a law as the McCaranyone here be so certain that popular such a stand might be ran-Walter Act, ever let down its immigration bars to welcome in But the crushing weight of the very workers the law was evidence shows that the Hun- designed to exclude? Immigraa revolutionary movement for suddenly waived, moneys raised

Gordon expresses concern over ... Hungary Defiance

(Continued from page 1)

reactionary ends. This is a valid the dozens of towns and villages concern. But anybody who we passed through . . . nobody equivocates on the character of was working . . . in each town a revolutionary council, mainis in no position to aid it against in Budapest, was in operation. taining contacts with the council He also reported guerrilla activity around Tokay. Unconfirmed reports say guerrilla warfare is also going on in the mountains around Miskole

(John MacCormack, writing) from Vienna in the Nov. 30 N.Y.

Times, reports: "The only authority in Hungary accepted by the people is other kinds of delinquency. Authe Workers Council of Buda- thorities on teen-age problems pest. This will meet tomorrow with delegates from other workers councils from all over Hun- obvious conclusion that in a neggary to discuss the results of a ative way, it does make sense. meeting it had today with Mr. Kadar.

"At today's meeting the Work-

ers Council demanded from Mr. them no hope for a future of se-Kadar a final answer to its three curity and peace. This essentially principal demands. These are destructive protest of today's (1) the creation of workers councils to lead factories and offices; (2) an explanation of what has happened to former Premier Imre Nagy and (3) permission been similar reports of teen-age to publish its own newspaper.") crime and violence. The leaders of the Budapest Workers' Council had issued a back-to-work call on Nov. 17. This was protested by other sections of the council who demanded that a "Workers Parliament" elect representatives to negotiate with the government. Delegates to this parliament were prevented from meeting on Nov. 21 in the Budapest Sports Palace by Russian troops. They hurriedly assembled in another building and before they could be dispersed by the troops voted a three-day and heating of the mine works, protest general strike and proclaimed that a "democratically and 20 tons donated to relief elected workers' council" alone committees. "Miners say they are was entitled to negotiate for the prepared to continue indefinitely

Hungarian working class. MINERS' RESISTANCE

take them over." (N. Y. Times, The only production in the Nov. 24). provinces appears to be in the coal mines. But here the workers' the heavy industry area near died with us." councils are restricting produc- Budapest, warned Kadar that tion. An example comes from he immediately prevent further that we get reports of teen-cialist society in America, and the mining center of Dorog. deportations of workers' council agers in arms, fighting for a all of us will be inspired—as the There workers have limited them- members in Western Hungary or future in which they will have Hungarian workers are todayselves to 80 tons a day. Of this they would cease maintaining a better kind of life. The World- by their determination and 40 tons are used for maintenance their machines.

you. Since you state that you are Mindszenty's Secretary coming living. for a third party of the working to see Cardinal Spellman in New

proper destination. shed a tear for a bunch of coun-Catholic elements, to again place

Please understand I am only

Yours, Truly, G. F. Seattle, Wash.

We welcome your letter of Nov. 22 and do not at all consider the questions raised as "sharpshooting." The main pur-However, we do disagree

strongly with your estimate of to Stalinism has led us to overlook the danger of the restoration of capitalism there. Indeed the origin of our long opposition to Stalinism was that its policies not only hindered and betrayed the socialist revolutions in the capitalist sector of the world but that it endangered the existence of nationalized economy and planning in the Soviet ment for capitalist restoration in Eastern Europe.

What happened in Hungary? As we see it a national revolution broke out. The whole population rose up in the hope of mination. This desire of a people keys to the victory of the Oc- national independence.

tober revolution. This alliance Had the pro-capitalist ele-

By Joyce Cowley

headlines for several years, usual-

ly, when they engaged in gang

wars, muggings, car theft and

have described this behavior as

It is one form of protest

against a society that has no real

place for youth, which offers

youth has become a world-wide

phenomenon - from the United

States, Europe, the Soviet Union,

Asia and Australia, there have

In recent weeks, young people

have been in the headlines again

in a very different role. Every

correspondent in Hungary has

told how "the kids of Budapest"

were the most courageous fight-

ers in the revolutionary struggle

New York Post wrote on Oct. 28,

"university students and work-

the mines if the Russians try to

The Workers Council of Csepel,

"Young boys and girls," the

against the Soviet troops.

A YOUNG HERO

"senseless violence," avoiding the pest hospital.

Teen-agers have ben making

The whole mess has an odor played a part in the revolt. No- Hungarian soldiers who refused ployers to smash them. But at of the world triumph of socialof counter-revolutionarism, sup-tably mass hatred for the brutal to fire on the masses and passed the same time we carry on an ism. ported by U.S. capitalism, espe- bureaucratic-police regime and guns to them and then came over unremitting fight inside such In the labor party that we hope cially in the light of today's grievances of the workers against to the insurgents' side. Moreover, unions to throw out the corrupt, to see built in this country we find I am in agreement with news, which tells of Cardinal the abysmally low standard of there is now considerable evi- reactionary bureaucracy, whose would be for the right of mem-

In the revolution reactionary

with that and would be willing reasonably expect would be his cluded among them were the initial gaining of weapons they should be halted because the bu- position to U.S. imperialism's war I'm sorry to say that I can't tied classes and Horthyite fas- ists have got them-raiding po- ing weakens the union and that against the USSR, China and the ter-revolutionaries, even if they these last two categories play a ly you do not mean to imply that ganda out of the revelations, etc. the same time we would urge include misguided workers, who much larger role in exile circles the tremendous uprising of a of socialism in Hungary, to al- the country. The capitalist press perialism sending secret agents degenerated and deformed work- of those countries against the low a bureaucratic clique, in of the U.S. tried to draw as much and weapons into the country. conjunction with reactionary comfort and hope as possible from the presence of such elements in Hungary. But their lopsided news dispatches do not trying to fish in the turbulent workers' states for therein lies trying to express an opinion affect the real relationship of Hungarian waters. Of course, it

gary itself. the working class. It aimed for Kaiser. complete national independence

WE LOOK TO WORKERS

ing the primary demand of withdrawal of all Russian troops Hungarian development has been to rule themselves is a historic nation and forging an alliance strike, and the mass meetings shevism outside Russia. to rule themselves is a historic nation and forging an alliance ally legitimate one and one that with the peasantry and those and picket lines. They would It shows that American radicals combined index for the ISR Marxists have always supported, lower middle-class sections of have to be crushed before U.S. cannot build a successful move- its predecessor, the Fourth in-The support of the Bolsheviks the population which likewise do imperialism and capitalist res- ment without making use of the ternational, for the editions of for the national aspirations of not want the factory owners and toration could get the upper accumulated storehouse of in- Winter 1954 through Spring the many oppressed people of the great landed proprietors hand. And that, as the experience ternational revolutionary ex- 1956. It sells for 35 cents. Czarist Russia was one of the brought back - but who do want

was a bulwark against white ments proved strong enough in counter-revolution and foreign an independent Hungary to ntervention in the days of threaten the socialized property this should show all class-con- the Communist Party now that Lenin and Trotsky. A measure relations we feel sure that the scious workers throughout the of the degeneration of the Soviet working class would have been world where their support should explaining to American workers Union under Stalinism was the alert to the danger and strong go. ment to exploit the Hungarian tour of Hungary almost to its Great Russian chauvinist op- enough to defeat them in a civil

Army soldiers also gave guns union itself. Nor do we believe programs and views. We for our elements, of course, tried to take and even came over to the Hun- that the battle to make such part would urge that its pro-Catholic clergy, former proper- got guns the way all revolution- reaucrats cry that internal fight- plans and diplomatic intrigues cists. But it should be noted that lice stations, arsenals, etc. Sure-

IMPERIALIST AGENTS?

Of course, U.S. imperialism is

ask some questions with hope of forces. Cardinal Mindszenty, for is making as much hypocritical getting answers for them - not example, played a great role in propaganda and diplomatic hay sharpshoot your paper or opin- the U.S. newspaper accounts of in the cold war as it can from the Hungarian uprising but he the Kremlin's brutal action. The played a very minor role in Hun- best aid radical workers in this country can render the Hung-We realize correct information arians is to expose Wall Street's is very hard to come by in the game. But U.S. imperialism has Big Business press. But a careful been unable to intervene milireading of the capitalist press tarily in Hungary or in any other of New York and of Western way affect the course of the Europe plus those working-class revolution there. We know that in papers that can afford foreign 1917 secret agents of German correspondents (including the in- imperialism were active in Mosdependent socialist France-Ob- cow and Petrograd. But before servateur of Paris and the dis- the mighty tidal wave of revolu-This is the rankest opportunism. "revolt in Hungary" and your afford an open forum for critipatches from Budapest of Peter tion their efforts were piddling, Gordon is not concerned with the denunciation of the USSR. I cisms and the expression of other Fryer, the British Daily Worker even though the enemies of the correspondent, which were sup- October Revolution tried to picpressed by his newspaper) shows ture the whole thing as a Ger- and contains an editorial on the all basic questions arising from that the main power and leader- man-inspired coup and the Bol- events in Poland and Hungary. | the 20th Congress. ship in the Hungarian revolt was sheviks as paid agents of the

So it is in Hungary, Granted Eastern European countries, granted that it has secret agents there. Nonetheless these count for In the early days of the upris- practically nothing in a mass uprising. The locomotive of the is no easy task.

In the U.S. we defend corrupt

Youth of All Lands Join

to budge from their makeshift house fighting in Port Said, Egypt: "Oh, we have a bloody Another article on Oct. 30 by awful time in these street per-Endre Marton tells about Michael formances. They arm these Misi-"A Hero of the Revolution wretched children from 12 to 14 at 13." Marton interviewed him with rifles and they join in the in the children's ward of a Buda- | whangings."

"You see, we were going to an unexampled demonstration of play with the others when a car courage on the part of Negro with a flag on it came by. The youth in the South. Day after young gentlemen in it were day as they went to school, in shouting that anybody who Kentucky and Tennessee, these wanted to fight for a free Hunga- teen-agers faced the racist mobs ry should join. So we did-who unflinchingly. They, too, had wouldn't? I got a submachine something to fight for that made gun at first but Lajas, who al- sense. ready is 16, took it away and I In the recent election cam-

much.' Marton asked how Michael had and an awakening interest in soearned to use a rifle. "All us kids were trained in sters of high-school age wrote the Communist Party."

houses," Marton continues, "the came from the Deep South. youths were able to withstand the tank unit assaults because EAGER ANSWERS they were in action on their home ground. Familiar with every inch simply ask for our campaign of the slum district, they could platform, but wrote at considvanish into the maze of streets erable length, raising pertinent too narrow for tanks when things questions on all the political isgot hot. Armed only with out- sues of the campaign. They dated rifles, submachine guns showed eagerness to find a soluand improvised gasoline bombs, tion to these problems. 20 tons are bartered for food, they battle at least 100 tanks and This proves that a growing

armored vehicles." how Budapest street fighters as the experts so frequently on this basis and to blow up "proudly brought forward a 15 claim. When they see the possiyear old girl, a tommygun cra- bility of a life that has meaning, dled in her arms. 'She is only of a future free from capitalist one of many of our girls and anarchy and violence, they are women who fought with us and ready to fight for it. I am con-

Telegram quotes General Sir bravery.

ers, mostly unarmed . . . refused | Hugh Stockwell on the house-to-

In this country we have seen

was very angry. Then I got only paign, The Socialist Workers a rifle which I did not like so Party found abundant evidence of a new spirit in young people cialist ideas. Scores of youngletters in response to the TV and "Fighting among the small, radio broadcasts of our candishabby buildings and tenement dates. Many of these letters

In most cases they did not

number of American young peo-An AP dispatch on Oct. 31 tells ple are not "silent" or "beat" fident they will be in the front It is not only from Hungary lines of the struggle for a so-

dence in many cases that Red policies really undermine the bers to struggle for differing the bosses are making propa- countries of Eastern Europe. At whole Soviet sector. We see there with the struggle of the workers ers' states. We defend these bureaucratic-police regimes that against imperialism but we are oppress them and hinder their sofor a political revolution to make cialist development. them democratic, progressive

the McCarran-Walter Act, be in In Hungary, other factors be- How did the Hungarians get longshoremen's, for example, not only the true hope of their Europe to help socialist workers, sides the overriding national one guns? They got them from the from the attempts of the em- survival as workers' states but

So with Hungary and the LABOR support and solidarity Comradely Yours,

The Editor

Int'l Socialist Review Discusses Left Regroupment

By Fred Halstead

The fall issue of the International Socialist review is just off the press. It contains a contribution to the discussion of the regroupment of revolutionary socialist forces

in the United States in the form of an editorial statement entitled cently by a group of prominent The "Russian" Question and the members of the British CP. The "American" Question. This issue ISR reprints "The Case for Soalso reprints an article from the cialism" - a statement of the current intense discussion within Reasoner's editors, who show a the British Communist Party, determination to think through The lead statement takes up

the argument, advanced by the last article written by the late editors of Monthly Review, that John G. Wright, a beautifullyand workers' democracy on the that imperialism has its designs the American radical movement written presentation of the work basis of the nationalized econ- against the USSR and all the has been too heavily influenced of Ludwig Feuerbach - Phiby the Russian Revolution, and losopher of Materialism. James that in addition to re-evaluating P. Cannon's series on the Early Stalinism, American radicals years of the American Commust also re-evaluate Leninism. munist Movement is continued

ISR editors, "is how the work- Sidelights of the Year 1927. From overrode all others and served to the entire working class with its ing-class movement was in the Arsenal of Marxism contains give a temporary appearance of all-class unity to the revolution.

If that aim had have arbitrary appearance of militia, councils (soviets), and fluenced by the Soviet developments." The article deals with "Stalin as a Theoretician," in too, would oppose any move- If that aim had been achieved revealed very clearly in the past each of the tendencies in the which Stalin's colossal blunders however, the class aims of the two weeks. Mindszenty fled into radical movement from that in the field of agriculture were workers would quickly have come the American legation. The point of view, pointing out that explained and exposed fully 26 to loggerheads with those of the Catholic "parties" vanished into the distortions of Stalinism have years prior to the Khrushchev Catholic clergy and whatever thin air, if they had actually so obscured Lenin's methods, that "revelations." restorationist elements exist in taken on flesh after the an- American radicals are in large Hungary. But in leading the up- nouncement of their formation. part not familiar with them. are: Behind the Bamboo Curtain, winning the right of self-deter- rising the working class was also But the workers' councils re- The article explains Lenin's own by A. M. Dunlap, and The Civiplacing itself at the head of the mained active, so did the general ideas on the application of Bol- lian and the Military, by Arthur

of the last two weeks has shown, perience, and that the part which deals with Trotsky's fight against The workers are the backbone Stalin should "prove of extraof the Hungarian revolution, and ordinary interest to members of they are faced with the task of how a figure like Stalin could come to power, and why it can't happen in America."

"We believe," the statement says, "that all theories of party organization should now be put on the table for full and free consideration. . . We for our part will defend the concept of Leninism." The crisis in the British CP

that resulted from the revelations of the 20th Congress of the Soviet Communist Party has produced The Reasoner, a discussion publication launched re-

The fall issue also contains the "What is decisive," say the with an installment of Notes and

Books reviewed in this issue

Sentenced to Death British imperialism gave a resh example this week of its campaign to bring "democracy and freedom" to whatever parts of the world it is still capable of penetrating. According to a Nov. 27 N. Y. Times dispatch, British authorities in Kenya have sentenced to death the leader of the Mau Mau, Dedan Kimathi. He was found guilty of possessing a revolver which under British decree is a capital offense for the people of Kenya. Kimathi said that he had been arrested while attempting to surrender to British "security" forces.

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Witch-Hunt Attacks on Labor

Despite a number of significant vic-, tories against the witch hunt in recent months, there is plenty of evidence that it is still operating with destructive power against the labor movement and within the labor movement.

The Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union, for example, has just been hit with a union-busting indictment of 14 of its leaders. The union officials are charged with "conspiring" to file false Taft-Hartley non-Communist affidavits. Mine-Mill is still fighting off the attack initiated July 1955 under the notorious Humphrey-Butler Communist Control Act of 1954. The Department of Justice's 1955 attack on Mine-Mill came as a brazen assist to the employers during the strike against the copper corporations.

Another red-baiting anti-union attack is being cooked up against the Int'l Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union on the West Coast. The Senate Internal Security Committee this week opens hearings on "Communist activities" in the Hawaiian Islands. The anti-union nature of the investigation can be gleaned from the fact that 40 ILWU leaders have been subpoenaed.

And now we hear that the House Committee on Un-American Activities is investigating "Communist activity in the steel mills" in Northern Ohio and Southwestern Pennsylvania. Is it merely a coincidence that this witch-hunting committee has opened these investigations in conjunction with the announced intention French imperialism in North The Algerians planned to return of David J. McDonald, president of the Africa. Nevertheless, the French United Steelworkers Union, to "squelch" action in Egypt is above all the the mass rank-and-file opposition to his result and continuation of French bureaucratic machine?

A United Press report from Pittsburgh Nov. 23 said McDonald "had decided to forces struck against Egypt, line, "Air Atlas." This is a "take off the gloves' in dealing with an using as a pretext the "neces- French-owned company, and the 'take off the gloves' in dealing with an anti-administration faction in the ranks." Next came the announcement of the House Committee's "red" investigation.

The rank and file steel workers' opposition to McDonald has arisen as a result of mass protest against a dues increase railroaded through the last convention of the Steel Union. The workers in the mills of the leaders of the Algerian bat and Tunisia crosses Algeria. bitterly resent a \$2 a mo. dues-increase gouge at the same time that McDonald got a pay rise from \$30,000 to \$40,000 a Morocco and Tunisia. year. On top of all their other grievances against the McDonald machine this came as a last straw. According to all reports in the Algerian resistance move- to seize the Algerian freedom the protest movement against the dues ment. The most important in- fighters was a simple device of increase has spread like wildfire. McDonald dividuals in the group are Ahmed trickery. While the plane carevidently believes he can "squelch" this Ben Bella, the principal director rying them was enroute to Palma, uprising against his arrogant bureaucratic and Mohammed Khidder, a for- radioed an order to the crew to gang by the device of red-baiting.

From their own experience the workers liament. All the members of this Tunis. have learned increasingly that red-baiting group, after their exile from is the weapon of the bosses and the union They had received very large milbureaucrats. Perhaps this time the steel workers will give McDonald a big surprise Nasser regime. and reject both his dues increase and his hue and cry over the "red menace."

How to Aid Hungarian Revolution

The principle of international working class solidarity gives world and U.S. labor the obligation to aid the Hungarian workers who are leading a historic struggle for national independence. But such aid must be so designed and executed as to further the aims for which the Hungarian workers are fighting — an independent socialist Hungary.

Genuine support to the Hungarian revolution by American labor therefore means first of all, to expose and to combat the reactionary aims of U.S. Big Business in Hungary. For despite their hypocritical display of concern for the Hungarian masses, the Wall Street politicians are working to thwart their socialist objectives. U.S. State Department support has been extended not to the revolutionary Hungarian workers but to the forces of capitalist restoration whose symbol is Cardinal Mindszenty.

The American working people are sympathetic to the Hungarian struggle for national independence. But this sympathy is being subverted by the official leaders of the union movement to further the policies of the U.S. State Department. The stand of Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers, is a case

At Reuther's initiative, a Nov. 13 meeting of UAW local officers in Detroit adopted a four-point program on Hungary as follows: 1) Condemnation of Soviet brutality in Hungary. 2) Holding of

lunch-time protest meetings in the plants. 3) Contributions of funds to Hungarian of the Sultan's influence as a landed safely at Tunis, when tomrelief. 4) "Urging that the United States mediator between themselves and my-gun-waving French soldiers government take the lead" in the estab- the Algerians. lishment of "a permanent voluntary United Nations International Police Force negotiate with the so-called "rebto move in and maintain order and resist els." However, the leaders of the displays of indignation over the pealing for political support. He aggression in such cases as that of Hungary during the past two weeks."

Reuther's "point four" reveals that his August, the Socialist Party real concern is not to defend the interests of the Hungarian workers but to further a negotiated peace in Algeria. U.S. cold-war objectives. UN intervention has never been on the side of freedom. The UN intervened in the Korean civil means of fooling the worker was absolutely solid from Leba- vective of name calling is not war allegedly to "halt agression." The members of the Socialist Party. non to Morocco. In both Tunisia only desirable but urgently final result of that U.S.-inspired "police action" was to maintain in power the reactionary dictatorship of the U.S. puppet. Syngman Rhee.

UN intervention in Hungary would be on the side of the forces of capitalist restoration. Such intervention would be in direct conflict with the interests of the Hungarian workers. In addition, it would whole thing as the question of others of the deposed govern- already penetrated the mass of be a bridgehead for an attack on the So- the cult of personality and not ment and their families, in asy- the Soviet people and is deepviet Union and hasten the outbreak of as a question of the system. And lum in the Yugoslav embassy, ening the ferment of mass oppo-World War III.

Therefore, U.S. labor must couple its support for the Hungarian workers' ferent atitude toward other coundemand on the Kremlin - "Get your tries [than toward Yugoslavia and reportedly shipped off to troops out!" — with demands of its own addressed to the U.S. government: "Hands ing certain wrong and defective off the Hungarian Revolution!" "With- views on relations with these draw all American troops from foreign countries - with Poland and on Nov. 23 came out with a long soil and waters!"

Hypocrisy Over the Refugees

Perhaps the most sickening aspect of Washington's cynical exploitation of the Kremlin's assault on Hungary has been it cruel and reactionary treatment of the refugee problem. Tiny Switzerland has already taken 3,500 of the now more than 60,000 Hungarian refugees. The Belgians have taken more than 3,000 and the Dutch 2,000. As of this writing, only 482 refugees have arrived in this country.

Hungarian refugees in Austria must go through an average of four days of processing to meet the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act "security," health and sponsorship provisos. After that come more days of waiting for transportation.

What finally happens when they get to the "land of the free"? The Nov. 23 New York World Telegram reported that, on their arrival at McGuire Airforce base, the first 60 arrivals "were forced to stand nearly an hour . . . while Army Secretary Brucker and military brass made welcoming speeches for the benefit of TV. Then they were herded to a badly managed processing center at Camp Kilmer [Now "Camp Mercy"] which soon broke down in utter confusion. Some refugees didn't eat for 30 hours because the Army failed to provide kosher food." (It had been told in advance that 24 of the 60 were Jewish.)

Murray Kempton reports on Brucker's speech in the Nov. 23 New York Post. "What a contrast it must be for you to have left Hungary and to see the freedom you will find in this great country." Brucker informed the huddled group of Hungarians. "I want you for the first attitude was imposed rather by for these rulers who had been viet authors, printed in the Nov. time on a free soil to applaud that [American] flag," he commanded.

"Here," Brucker continued, "so long as we all conduct ourselves as good reliable people, you are safe and we will protect ficult situation (in Hungary), you." There was no applause, says Kemp- which has exploded before its very ton who concludes, "It must have sounded, thyists, but also workers from even in translation, a little too much like factories and mines are fightthe words they used to hear from Matyas ing here. The Soviet soldiers go ly, in most aggrieved terms, it socialist law in their country Rakosi in the compulsory assemblies in unwillingly, with heavy hearts.... the public square."

The whole operation has been so raw terrible sacrifices by the Hunthat the Nov. 28 New York Times blasted garian people will have a positive it editorially as "a disgrace to the coun- effect, that a little light will try." The editorial declares, "It is an Army operation from the moment the Stalinist elements, and they will Stalinism in the world Commun- not only Rakosi and Gero, as planes touch down, so that the very first see that it is no longer possible taste of American life for the refugees is to work in this way.... uniforms and regimentation all over Soviet comrades that this would again. . ." The Times then goes on to have happened even if Stalin had CPs and the Kremlin. Moreover, formed workers' states which exberate military officials for "bungling." not died-that this would have

But it isn't "bungling" that is involved. happened even earlier if he had Kremlin clique itself has been rived satisfaction from the The ingrained mentality of the representived. They did not dispute tatives of America's ruling class is what this... is at fault. Arrogant, reactionary, totally Tito's speech by bitterly attack- ropean and Soviet CP leaders and whom the Kremlin blames it all devoid of any shred of sympathy for the ing it. It accused the Yugoslav among the Kremlin bureaucrats on, feels uncomfortable. suffering of working people — the Big leader of trying to interfere in themselves are but reflections of Miloven Dilles, once Tito's vice.

Business rulers and their agents are non-Business rulers and their agents are con- Parties, and denounced his divi- their countries upon them. De- has again been arrested for criticerned only with whatever war-mongering sion of leaders into Stalinist and pending upon their bureaucratic cisms of the Yugoslav regime and propaganda they can extract from the non-Stalinist categories. It was bases and divergent perspectives for predicting that the events in suffering of the Hungarian people. That particularly furious at the charge for coping with mass unrest, fac- Poland and Hungary foretell the is what their scandalous treatment of the uct of the system of rule in the The Hungarian events have but lin dictatorship but of Tito's burefugees reveals.

A Foul Crime in Algeria

By Shane Mage

headlines of the past month have been pre-occupied with the criminal attacks of Western imperialism against the Egyptian people and the heroic uprising of the Hungarian working people against the Kremlin bureaucratic overlords.

The crimes of Anglo-French imperialism at Suez take the spotlight off the crimes of policy in North Africa and particularly in Algeria. On Nov. 1, English and French

onstrated on a smaller scale the government. brutality, treachery and cynicism

National Liberation Front (FLN), islands. one of the two major tendencies

Crown Prince Moulay Hassan went to Paris as a representative simply refused to transmit the of his father, the Sultan. French orders of the "independent" government officials told him Moroccan government! The Althat they would welcome the use gerians still thought they had

It is true that the Mollet government has never agreed to at its National Congress last passed a resolution in favor of

What the Algerian and Moroc-

the product of a system. . . .

as equal and independent], hold-

attitude upon the other to a cer-

"It must be known that the So-

viet Union, too, is now in a dif-

bloodshed in Hungary and these

in the Soviet Union, even those

"On one occasion, I said to the

On Nov. 19 Pravda "reported"

which it had finally come to treat Rumania.

order to mask the Mollet govern. from Algeria moved into Tunisia, would have been less of a blow regimes are forced by tremendous ment's refusal to negotiate. The killing several Tunisian border to him if the French had seized popular pressure to aid the Al-Algerians and Moroccans made guards who attempted to resist his own son. the bad mistake of trusting the the invasion. The still sizeable phony Socialist, Guy Mollet and French forces in Morocco were his representative in Algeria, placed on full alert. Robert Lacoste.

The Sultan and Premier of to Egypt by way of Tunisia, in with Tunisian Premier Bourguiba

They left Morocco in a plane belonging to Morocco's only air sity" for "safeguarding" the Suez crews of all its planes are French Canal from the Israeli attack nationals. However, under the that they themselves had in- agreement granting "independspired. A week before this at- ence" to Morocco, they were suptack, French imperialism dem- posed to obey only the Moroccan

Morocco lies to the west of Alit was about to use against geria; Tunisia to the East. The Egypt. It boldly kidnaped five normal air route between Ranational liberation struggle while Precisely in order to avoid capthey were flying between the ture by the French, the plane supposedly independent states of was ordered to fly over the Mediterranean, stopping to refuel at The five are leaders of the Palma, in the Spanish Balearic

The method used by the French of the FLN's military operations the French military command mer member of the French par- proceed to Algiers instead of

MASS ARAB PROTESTS

The Moroccan government itary and political aid from the found out about this plot while the plane was at Palma and sent The chain of events which was orders for it to remain grounded. to lead to their capture began This was futile, because the comin early October when Moroccan munication officer at Rabat airleaped into the plane and arrested them.

(The capitalist press in this leaders.)

cans failed to realize is that the immediately to the arrest with would agree that political critic-SP resolution was primarily a a one-day protest strike, which ism based on facts without in-The Mollet leadership of the SP and Morocco, anti-French violence necessary if we are to have any

the cult of personality is, in fact, would not be molested if they sition to the bureaucratic rule.

arrested by Soviet secret police

ically because we saw that this on Tito but still maintaining most replaced by Army engineer units.

was not the attitude of the en- of its basic arguments against The reason given is that, after

tire Soviet leadership, but only Tito's speech. It blamed Rakosi having talked to Hungarian rail-

tain extent. We saw that this but it assumed no responsibility A statement of 35 leading So-

those people who stood and are hand-picked by the Kremlin. It 22 Literary Gazette appears to

still standing on Stalinist posi- pretended that Tito's contention go well beyond even the "soft"

I am deeply convinced that the linists left either in Soviet CP believe we were partly responsi-

reach the eyes of the comrades proposal for Polish-Yugoslav co- cient." What is significant about

have sharpened conficts between

or in any other CPs.

ist Party movement.

exacerbated them.

"The Soviet leaders had a dif- left the embassy, they were all

we did not take this too trag- the tone of its previous attack

came out. On Nov. 22, as they RUSSIANS WON'T SCAB

that brought about the uprising, to become strikebreakers.'

that the Stalin cult resulted from line attributed to the "de-Sta-

a system was an attack on so- linizing" faction of the Soviet

cialism rather than on the bu- Politbureau. It declares: "The

reaucracy. It protested that its Hungarian people were dissatis-

policies toward the East Euro- fied with the situation in their

pean countries were based on country. . . . Hungarian leaders

exemplary internationalism and failed to show enough will to li-

respect for national rights. Final-quidate intolerable violations of

denied that there were any Sta- resolutely and completely. . . We

On Nov. 25 the Central Com- try did take some measures . .

mittee of the Polish Communist but later events make us believe

Party cautiously endorsed Tito's these measures were not suffi-

operation in a campaign against the statement is that it blames

the leaderships of two European rulers of the degenerated and de

Tito's speech revealed that the ist in the world today have de-

further split by these events. | Hungarian events-for these are

differences between the East Eu- all such regimes. Even Tito

These divisions or factional the handwriting on the wall for

Thus the Hungarian events government as well.

ment was making heated protests port, confirmed by more than one

Both Bourguiba and the Sultan gerian group for about a week Both represent weak, native capin Rabat, the Moroccan capital. italist classes which have time and again showed their eagerorder to hold a similar meeting imperialism. But under the tremendous pressure from their own masses and from French miliwith the French. The Sultan, un- news from North Africa. der whose personal protection the Algerians had been when they were captured, also denounced the French in the strong- mains tense. Algeria remains at reaction at home and war abroad.

For a few days, it seemed as if increasing clashes between not tolerate such aid an instant French troops and the Moroccan longer than they have to. The and Tunisian people were about kidnaping of the Algerians is an had in the previous months been to lead to a reappearance of the open declaration of two things: Morocco conferred with the Al- very conciliatory to the French, virtual state of war which preceded last year's grant of "independence" to Morocco and Tunisia. But suddenly, the French ness to get along with French threat was turned away from the bitter end. (2) The French North Africa to strike Egypt. | are preparing to repudiate the Temporarily out of danger of past year's policy of concessions French attack, the native retary preparations their backbones gimes were able to exert a restiffened. Bourguiba denounced straining influence on the Tunithe French action as "piracy" and sian and Moroccan peoples. Since Socialist Party-flouting all the broke off economic negotiations then there has been no dramatic desires for peace of the workers

WAR TO THE END

Nevertheless, the situation re-

gerian people's struggle. And it is certain that the French will (1) The present French government is absolutely unwilling to negotiate neace in Algeria, but is pursuing a policy of war to to Tunisian and Moroccan na-

Thus the leaders of the French who voted for them - are putting into practice a policy that can only lead to the victory of

McAvoy Contributes Views On Regroupment Problem

[We publish below comments by Clifford T. McAvoy, a former leader of the American Labor Party, on the problem of regroupment of the radical movement in the United States. (Subheads have been supplied.) We opened a discussion on this subject in the Oct. 22 Militant with the publication of a letter by Vincent Hallinan, 1952 Presidential Candidate of the Progressive Party, dealing with the relationship between the Socialist Workers Party and other radical organizations. Both Hallinan and McAvoy supported the SWP's Presidential Candidates in the 1956 elections. On Nov. 12, we published comments on Hallinan's letter by George Breitman, a former editor of the Militant. We have also published two other letters from readers dealing with the question of regroupment, and we welcome further contributions to the discussion. — Ed.]

George Breitman's comment on Vincent Hallinan's letter to the is correct in condemning the so-Militant was a welcome piece of called coalition policy of support constructive and serious political by radicals and labor offiicals criticism that should be widely of the Democratic Party. If this read throughout the left.

The principal point that Vincent Hallinan made in his letter the Socialist Workers Party in particular should endeavor to country which outdid itself in refrain from invective in apgovernment are also leaders of Kremlin's seizure of Imre Nagy is certainly right in his contenthe French Socialist Party; and, in Hungary in violation of a safe- tion that there is far too much conduct pass, had no word of con- labeling and name-calling on the demnation for the equally cynical left and that such tactics cannot seizure of the five Algerian possibly succeed in bringing about unity of various ten-The Arab masses responded dencies. On the other hand I

The effects of the Hungarian

events on Soviet society may be

gleaned from the following items.

The New York Times of Nov.

brought in three days ago to run

brecen have been withdrawn and

ble for this. We know our coun-

Pravda, has done, but the Soviet

But none of the bureaucratic

reaucratic regime as well,

relations with other political tendencies.

The Socialist Workers Party coalition policy is not abandoned, it will be very much more difficult to build a Labor party and was that radicals generally and to bring socialist principles to the attention of the American people. The only way that those who believe in socialism can win should not be joint action on a over members of the Communist number of issues where all Party who follow the coalition radicals can agree, such as repeal theory is by a rational and prin- of the Smith Act, the Taftcipled attack on that theory as a Hartley Act, abolition of Jim theory, exposing its failures and Crow, and full civil liberties for emphasizing its complete lack of all.

FOR CLEAR PROGRAM

working class.

any constructive results for the

The most effective way to obtain left regroupment, it to a large extent by the attempt ciples so that there can be no in an "all-inclusive" program in our effort to regroup the left socialism as a desirable objecaround a program. I do not be lieve, for instance, that the left can be united if there is con-viously did not want On Nov. 21 Hungarian puppet| Certainly the great effect the fusion as to whether we stand Progressive Party to continue demned Stalin's actions and his Premier Kadar gave a written Hungarian uprising with its rev- for completely democratic so- because as an independent party policies followed up till then, but promise to the Yugoslav ambas- olutionary propaganda has had they wrongly considered the sador that Imre Nagy and 41 on the Red Army soldiers has totalitarian Stalinism.

with the Democratic party can resolutions have boldly stated be reconciled in the same or- this as the reason for the Comment. These two questions divide but genuine regroupment can will see intensive efforts made Hungary and others. However, editorial considerably softening trains between Zahony and De-only come about with the clear by all those who believe in soresolution of them.

There has long been a taboo in certain circles against cooperation with "Trotskyites" on any of a section that imposed this and Gero for misrule in Hungary road men, the Russians refused issue. Hallinan and I deliberately broke down this artificial barrier in our support of Dobbs. We believe that the Socialist Workers Party should make similar efforts in its relations with Communists and other radicals who differ with it. In the meantime

ganization with the building of munist Party evaluation of the an independent socialist move- whole Progressive Party as a the left not on the basis of In any new regroupment, prin-"hatreds and fanaticisms" but on ciples must be so clear that there the basis of fundamental prin- can be no doubt about what the While the Yugoslav govern- 25 says: "There has been a re- ciple. There should, of course, be party stands for — a program completely free discussion of the for a Socialist America. I sinover the breach of faith, Pravdal source, that Soviet railroad men pros and cons of both questions cerely hope that the next year

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I believe Breitman is right in saying that the death of the Progressive Party was caused seems to me, is to clarify prin- to submerge basic differences confusion about where we start which did not even mention

The Communist Party cialism or whether we revert to it interfered with the coalition policy; the 1952 resolution of the I do not believe that coalition Communist Party and subsequent "mistake."

cialism to work together.

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Another AP dispatch: "MOBILE, ALA. Nov. 21 — United States District Judge Daniel H. Thomas today dismissed an indictment charging that former Sheriff Jenkins A. Hill of Clarke County killed a Negro prisoner to prevent him from testifying against the officer in a liquor conspiracy case. . ."

From Washington, D. C., Nov. 16: The Senate Internal Security Subcommittee headed by Chairman Eastland, Democrat, went to Tallahassee, Fla., to re-Mississippi, will start closed-door question- port on the boycott of Jim Crow ing in Honolulu, November 27, of about buses by the Negro community 40 witnesses under subpoena. They will in that city. Last week Gitano investigate the dangers from "Communist port on the state of the struggle infiltration" of the island and the Interna- following the recent U.S. Sutional Longshoremen's and Warehouse-

What kind of "democratic justice" the stitutional. Here is his report. anti-Jim Crow Longshoremen's Union Ed.] will receive from the Eastland committee is not difficult to predict.

ern communities were threatened with rights, said: "On May 26, an inmob violence organized by professional cident occurred that brought to times I walk. It's quite hard for racists, terrorized, deprived of their hassee is not what she used to means of livelihood and of their right to be. Two young ladies from Florvote. Where were the government spokes- ida A & M University had too I'll just always walk." men, the church leaders and the union much of this new 20th Century bureaucrats then? Why didn't they denounce the white supremacists? Why didn't they send aid to the Negroes?

All they had to do was get in their cars and go down there to help. But that's not their purpose. Their aim is only to defend capitalism, no matter how rotten it is. In Hungary they would like to get a foot in the door for one reason only — to restore the capitalist system of exploitation, not to advance democracy.

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THE MILITANT

Militant Reporter Interviews the Negro Bus-Boycotters

By Henry Gitano

[Last June, Henry Gitano, a staff writer for the Militant, returned to Tallahassee to repreme Court ruling that declared segregated seating on all intra-state buses to be uncon-

NOV. 28 - Rev. C. K. Steele, president of the Inter Civic Council, set up to direct the bus pro-Last September Negroes in many South- test of 15,000 fighters for equal focus the fact that Old Talla-Negro blood in their veins to pay their fair for segregated service." Two days later the boycott was 90% effective. Now entering its seventh month, the battle lines are as solid as ever.

And indeed "Old Tallahassee i not what she used to be." I mill, the planks were loose and miversity was a domestic worker, what they mean. I'm doing very slight and short of build, she offered a warm smile and hand-

NOT READY TO RIDE

She told her story: "I walk from the 800 block on Call Street to my home. I walk steady along, My hardest trouble is the hill after the depot. I got a little song in my heart and just keep walking."

"I leave here at 6:15 in the morning, to be in town at 7:30, They pick me up in town to get to work in the suburbs. The husband and wife I work for, they both work at the Capitol. They make sure I get to work, but he don't bring me back, unless he got to go to town to pick up his wife. Otherwise I get finished at a quarter to five and get home at seven in the evening. I work she been telling me, 'I'll buy you a book for riding the bus.' I told her 'Don't ask me any more if up and then I don't see them I want a book. I'll tell you when I'm ready to go back on the bus. walk."

if we get the buses right.'

'SIGN THESE CHARGES'

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nance man and chauffeur. He go to sleep." had been driving his own car I KNOW MRS. IRONS with his wife, twin daughters and a neighbor, when the police Follow me to the police station." cloth \$2.50 | Upon arrival at the station, the said he could not sign without seeing the charges. He is one of the 21 convicted on charges of running an illegal transportation system. Mr. Smith took me to his neighbor with the observation that "these walking people put up a tremendous job.

"I'm one of the ones that sure do walk. I been walking and still plan on walking till I can ride who worked as a domestic and served meals in one of the FSU sorority houses.

FOUR WALKS A DAY

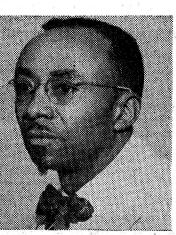
Standing there, she was like a sculpture of pride, tall and erect, picked up. But the other three band and two children,' He said.



A group of leading members of the Tallahassee Inter-Civic Council. (Rev. C. K. Steele at r.)

people like us, that don't have if they don't get the buses right,

In back of Speed's grocery store, I knocked on the door, and introduced myself to an elderly lady whose large body completely filled the arm chair. She was not feeling well, but nevertheless offered to tell me of her protest: my feet was big as my body, I walked along a dirt road, then was so tired. My ankles [and she up some rickety wooden stairs pointed to them] have been into a shack behind the crate- swollen ever since I started walking. I'm gonna walk until things I had to watch each step. The get better. Even if it's OK to lady of the house like most Ne- ride, I'm not gonna jump right groes not associated with the on the bus. I'm gonna wait to see



REV. C. K. STEELE well walking. I haven't been on

bus since the 28th of May."

work. "It feels real good. I was State Employment Service. "They I mean to do some walking even if we get the buses right." when they needed help. But now, the woman behind the counter, she says: 'Do you ride the bus? And I say: 'I'll work but I won't She related how before the ride.' And then points her head boycott, "I asked the driv- for me to sit down, so I go home er to let me off. The driver because I'd be sitting there all a big load of groceries. You're Democrat, the local daily, took didn't stop, so I moved closer and day. I was working steady for a working a hardship on your own note with a Nov. 7 story, "Negro I didn't mean to, but I touched woman, when I had my name in people." Rev. Steele answered: Vote Imporatnt; Two precincts the driver's seat. He shouted at the paper for being a passenger "I didn't do it. I am merely servme, 'If you don't get back, I'll put, in the car pool. The next day I ing a movement that was already precincts with a heavy Negro you off,' and I said, 'Someday find a note on my door telling in motion. This movement is not it's gonna be different.' And it is for me not to come back to confined to our local conditions, work." How did it feel to walk? but throughout the South and no A friend introduced me to Mr. "When you walk your feelings Henry Smith who is a mainte- ain't hurt. I just walk home and

its own folklore. I visited Mrs. Flukas, a gray haired, determined because of that inferiority you woman. "At the trial they asked me, 'Do you know Bessie Irons?' thing. The solidarity with which And I told them 'I don't know Irons.' At the trial they called the Negro's cup has run overme Laura; I answered them Yes that the Negro no longer will and No. The judge asked me be door mats for the white man Yes Sir and No Sir. I'd rather get dirty." have gone to jail then Yes Sir and No Sir to them. They tried to confuse me, so I just wouldn't say anything. And I had to hush before I said too much. They made me stay till the court was dismissed. I lost over two days' the buses right," said the lady pay. They said they was going to send us a check, but they didn't."

Mr. and Mrs. Irons are among the 21 boycotters convicted. I met them in their comfortable, modernistic home. They both work for Florida A&M. Mrs. Irons whose face betokens dewith a bearing that proclaimed termination and sensitivity told she was second to none. "I work of her experiences: "A lady old from 7:30 to 2 and from 5:30 to enough to be my mother was 8, six and a half days a week called by her first name when for \$25. My sister works seven arrested. It was then that I dedays a week but she has better cided what I would do. When hours, and she gets \$20 a week. the police stopped me while driv-We take care of my three chil-ing for the car pool and asked dren. It's pretty hard but we for my drivers' license, they said manage to get along. I walk four 'What's your name?' 'I'm Mrs. times a day, half an hour each Irons.' I know who you are.' I time. Going to work in the morn- didn't know you knew I was Mrs. ing, I seldom walk; I usually get Irons. I am an adult with a hus-

'Come on down to the station boycotters which resulted in Bessie, you're under arrest.' I ban on the car pool, in fines a car, walking after working. But said 'OK Jim.' I didn't know his totalling \$11,000 and in a 60-day

At the police station Mrs. Irons each defendant. asked, "Is it customary to ad- Riley Hayward, a Negro cab dress all women by their first operator and secretary of the ICC name?" She added, "Would you transportation, had his franchise mind addressing me as Mrs. revoked. Several maids have lost Irons." The police chief replied their jobs for refusing to ride he called Negroes by their first buses. Police are stopping cars name, and that she couldn't tell driven by Negroes thereby deoffered to tell me of her protest:
"The first day when I got to work him how to run the police stallaying them. The city commismov feet was big as my body, I tion. She asked the police chief sion introduced an ordinance virginia. why Negroes were arrested when tually outlawing car pools. The the white people going to the Florida Times Union quoted one Capitol Building on Calhoun were city oficial who said this would never molested. The police chief be applicable to white state did not reply. workers who regularly carry Mrs. Irons explained that "if I friends to work with them "but

were afraid of bodily harm or los- would not be applied." ing material things I'd probably be quiet. But I feel I must be willing to fight for what I believe." When asked what made her such a staunch fighter, she shot right A&M told the staff and faculty back: "Everyone here has the that he wanted them to refrain same feeling, there's determina- from participation in the protion and will power. The back- test. He said, "Either you cast bone of the protest is its strength your lot with this ship or you in the masses. We must give get off. You can't be loyal to credit to the people who are do- both." ing the walking. When I think A Florida legislative commitabout it I get so mad, I could tee has been set up headed by A cab driver discussing the re-

cent Supreme Court decision on the buses said: "It's kinda rough when you got to go to all that trouble to get simple justice." A 26 years of Secret Service and leader of the boycott said: "We snooping experience, was made just crossed the bay; the ocean is before us."

ell walking. I haven't been on a us since the 28th of May."

Nero Pender, president of the groups involved in the Tallahas-see boycott. Cheasty, who boasts of having prepared a 96-page five days a week and get only seek and get only meeting, I clap my hands and "ocean": "When you buy rice, then walk with my feet. But some they tell you the price, you take tern is beginning to show." The Crow to help these fighters with but I get used to it. The woman days I get very provoked. People it or leave it. When you buy a committee said it would report you take it or leave it. But when our people sell the only thing tem of racial oppression are Next I visited an old and sick- they have, their labor power, the using the weapons of desperabut don't ask me no more, hear. ly lady, who works as a casual bosses decide how much they're tion—arrests, intimidation and and ironing. After assuring her domestic workers would get to-I asked her how it felt walk- that I wouldn't use her name, she gether and say: "this is our price, ing before and after a hard day's told me about the role of the take or leave it; then things would change and they wouldn't punishing my self so on the bus, used to come and pick us up be working for \$15 a week. For that you need a union."

BUS SEAT A SYMBOL

Rev. Steele told me the police chief had said to him: "I saw a 4,000 Negroes registered in the woman down the street carrying last election. The Tallahassee body can stop it."

The idea behind the bus fight as stated by the ICC is that "the bus seat is merely a symbol of the thing that we are fighting. The bus boycott has produced That is a system which inherently says that you are inferior, and must take the rear of everythe Negro has entered and fought Bessie Irons, I know a Mrs. this fight has served notice that didn't I know to address the court to wipe his feet on when they

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ern style has limited Negro reg-

At the ICC mass meeting on Nov. 25, the packed church heard

The assembly was spirited, 'Nothing but joy in that land where I'm going." The tune started from the audience, picked up momentum. Those who didn't sing, tapped their legs to the swing of it. The hymns were sung in a low pitch, with a slow but sure rhythm, not thunderous, but persistent.

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Having resolved last May that they would "rather walk in dignity than ride in humiliation, 15,000 Negroes are demonstrating a remarkable capactiy to sacrifice for freedom. They have held the fort despite intimidation and weary legs. They have suffered to help make a better world. They are all echoing the boycotter who said: "When you are choking me, I say to you, turn me loose now, not gradually."

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