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"Wade-Ins" Follow "Sit-Ins"



The summer has seen no slackening in the Southern Negro's struggle for equal rights. In Savannah Beach, Georgia, Negro bathers sat on a hitherto lily-white public beach Aug. 17, as a new tactic in the fight against segregation. A group of eleven Negroes arrived at the beach wearing swim suits under their street clothing. They then removed their

outer garments and entered the water. Police did not arrest them for bathing but for violating a city ordinance that forbids disrobing in public. A special meeting of the town council was scheduled to be held later to deal with the wade-in problem. The Negro "wade-iners" were released on bond.

## SWP Plans Suit to Stop Two-Party Grab of T

By William F. Warde

announced this week that it will fill its obligations to the minor test in court the constitution- parties. ality of the bill passed by Congress suspending Federal equal- have turned down the SWP's time requirements on TV and application for opportunities to radio for presidential and vice- present its program to the pubpresidential candidates. It will lic. This request was based take this step to safeguard its upon the fact that the proceed-

# To Racists

By Gladys Barker Grauer SWP Candidate for U.S. Senate in New Jersey

watched with rising indignation against the networks' refusal. The Federal government is prothe spectacle of Democratic and Since then, the SWP attorneys viding a free platform for the Republican candidates courting have called upon the FCC to major parties while depriving the racists while studiously reconsider its decision and isignoring or glossing over the struggle for racial equality.

Thus on Aug. 24, Senators Kennedy and Johnson moved together into the South with speeches at Alexandria, Va., in which they omitted all reference to the civil rights issue which they had just shunted aside in

Earlier last month, on his visit to Greensboro, N.C. Vice-President Nixon said he was "endorsing" the sit-in movement — as long as it does not "run counter to local laws." Who does Nixon think he's playing for a fool? It is the local laws that enforce Jim-Crow in defiance of the federal constitution. The sit-in movement is designed to get the local authorities to abide by the federal constitution. Is Nixon for this or not?

Cynical indifference and duplicity have marked the Democratic and Republican candidates' appearances even while a wave of racist violence has hit the embattled Negro sit-in movement.

In Jacksonville, Fla., during four days and nights of racist violence, one Negro has been killed by gunfire, several others More than 250 young people rather than lend credence to the hundreds more were injured to last Friday to hear a folk music that they rushed the barricades one degree or another.

ered glass. It was the tenth Committee who will have to racist bombing in Chatanooga in stand trial. as many weeks. However, as arrest has been made.

by their cynicism and double- stances, and even more remark- mittee. dealing on the race question, the able if he managed to do it Democratic and Republican can- while he was sitting down, didates are abetting and en-Dixiecrat violence.

| legal rights if the Federal Com- time question under the new munications Commission does law The Socialist Workers party not compel the networks to ful-

The three major networks

Give Comfort munications Act provides that Congressional act that bestowed the networks, which presumably on some nominees, representing the networks, which presumably on some nominees, representing operate in the public interest, the two major parties, "a monmust afford reasonable oppor- opoly of the air waves. tunity for the discussion of conflicting views on issues of na- House in the first act of its retional importance.

American Negroes have the first appeal by the SWP time during the 1960 campaign. too." sue rules governing the equal-

### SWP Nominee



GLADYS BARKER GRAU-ER, Socialist Workers candidate for U.S. Senator from

If the FCC neither upholds the SWP's contentions under the old law nor sets forth satisfactory procedures under the new statute, the SWP will go into U.S. District Court to challenge the constitutionality of its rulings.

Patrick Malin, Director of ings and platforms of the Demo- the American Civil Liberties Both Parties cratic and Republican conventions had been fully broadcast. Union, has stated that his organization has serious doubts Further, the Federal Com- as to the constitutionality of any

The measure passed by the Commission refused to consider clusive command of national air the minor parties of any access to this great medium of com-

No hearing were held by the House on this measure; it was simply railroaded through in disregard of all opposition

The broadcasting companies and Congress have put over this flagrant violation of free speech on the pretext that it was needed to clear the way for a Kennedy-Nixon debate on the

However, James Reston asked in the Aug. 23 New York Times: whatever happened to the Great Debate? Instead of discussing the larger issues, he observed, the presidential campaign is "getting more petty and personal as it goes along."

The reason for this is that the Republicans and Democrats do not have any deep differences on the vital questions of Amer-(Continued on Page 2)

## San Francisco Students Rally To Aid Indicted Demonstrator

suffered bullet wounds, some crowded into Richmond Hall slanders against the students concert to raise funds for Rob- and attacked the police. Ac-In Chatanooga, Tenn., on Aug. ert Meisenbach's defense. He is tually, he and the others were 21, a dynamite blast wrecked the only one of the 68 students sitting on the steps at City the home of a Negro chemical arrested in the "Black Friday" Hall, singing "We shall not be worker showering two of his demonstrations against the moved," when the police turned sleeping children with splint- House Un-American Activities hoses upon them.

He is charged with beating a Negro community leaders have policeman over the head with committee of defense within the observed bitterly, not a single his own club. One of his friends next few weeks. One of its commented that this would be aims would to abolish the House It is my firm conviction that quite a feat under any circum- Un-American Activities Com-

Bob was promised a sus- sang enthusiastically: "We're couraging the new wave of pended sentence if he pleaded fighting for our freedom, we guilty to assault and battery but shall not be moved."

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug 29-|refused. He prefers to risk jail

The chairman announced there would be a Bay Area con ference to set up a permanent

As a \$96 collection was taken for Bob's defense, everyone

# Dobbs Hits AFL-CIO Leaders For Surrender to Democrats

## "Do-Nothing" Session Gyps Working People

By Frank Lovell SWP Candidate for U.S. Senate in Michigan

The post-convention session of the Eighty-sixth Congress has turned out to be a monumental fraud hatched by cunning and cynical politicians. The representatives of the



By M. L. Stafford

A three-way debate between representatives of the Young sidekick Sam Rayburn hoped to Republicans, Young Democrats use their control over Congress and Young Socialist Alliance to line up enough votes to put was one of the features of the over Johnson. thirteenth annual congress of the National Students Associa- charged that Johnson was tion last month.

Five hundred delegates insit-in participants heard presentations for Richard Nixon, John F. Kennedy and Farrell Dobbs. Afterwards the floor was thrown open to questions and discussions with the three speakers acting as a panel.

James Lambrecht, national secretary of the Young Socialist Alliance, spoke for the Dobbs-Weiss ticket. The event on Aug. 24 had originally been scheduled as a debate between Republican and Democrat. But that morning, the sixty-member national executive committee of the (Continued on Page 2)

### Reuther, Eastland — Kennedy's Got Both

Auto Workers president Walter The Federal Communications Republicans and Democrats ex- the Democratic party: "You Democrats feinted when Ken- government as any enemy and President Nixon to justify an endorsement.

Kennedy now has both the deal than the union leader?

two big business parties scuttled all the promises they made -and then each tried to blame the other for failure to enact any legislation benefitting the underpaid, the poorly clothed and poorly housed, the hungry and the sick in this rich land

The shell-game started as a transparent maneuver by Lyndon Johnson to capture the Democratic presidential nomination. By recessing instead of adjourning Congress the Senate majority leader and his House

Michigan Governor Williams threatening to block action on The topic was the presidential old-age health plans unless convention delegates climbed on his bandwagon. After Kennedy won the nomination and chose luding a number of Southern Johnson for his running mate, they were left holding the special session in their hands.

### "Great Show"

When Congress reconvened, Walter Reuther and George Meany billed it like Barnum's "greatest show on earth." Here was "the opportunity of a lifeopen letter to Congress, Reuther | pendent nation. held out the prospect of getting

What happened? First up was the civil rights bill put forward by a feint from the Republican side. This was swept away by the Democratic majority before you could bat an eye.

Next came the health scheme this month Eastland also gave majority voted with the Re- lutionary achievements."

Then Javits-Nixon came UAW president and the Missis- along with a health plan based (Continued on Page 4)



presidential candidate of the Socialist Workers party, is a former organizer for the Teamsters Union. He helped organize over-the-road drivers in eleven Midwest states.

## **Dobbs Assails Against Cuba**

NEW YORK, Aug. 20. - Farsituation:

"The foreign ministers at the OAS conference in Costa Rica aimed at the wrong target. Instead of censuring Cuba, they were not permitted to "sabo- Cuba's economy and limit its tage liberal legislation." In his sovereign powers as an inde-Cuba's economy and limit its

"The Cuban government has housing and civil rights action. with the Soviet Union and China as an embattled trade union has to ignore demands from an employers' association that it accept no outside aid."

"Those who profess to see virtues in Kennedy over Nixon should note his jingoistic speech can't have us and Eastland, nedy came up with a medical a Soviet satellite plotting the plan tied to social security and downfall of the U.S. The Demo-Early this month Reuther serving all pensioners. This was cratic candidate is extending the

### Insecure

The Wall Street Journal resippi Senator rooting for him. on voluntary contributions ports that one U.S. bank tele-What are the odds that the which was also rejected. The phones its Cuban branch each Dixiecrat gets more out of the Senate finally passed a bill of morning just to find out if it's

rell Dobbs, SWP presidential candidate, today made the following statement on the Cuban

## Automation, Threat of Recession Make 30-for-40 a Crucial Issue

By Alex Harte

With the growth of automaers are unable to look forward demand during that period. to steady year-round work. The spread of unemployment and under employment makes a shorter work week with no loss in pay a must for American labor. This need has been formulated in the slogan: the thirty-hour week at forty hours pay.

at the top of its demands upon gaining breakthrough is iminent time came for contract negotia- work week. ions in 1958 UAW president Walter Reuther put the proposal on the shelf.

No section of labor would get more immediate benefits from a shorter work week than the steel workers. In mid-August the nation's mills were running at only 54.7 per cent of capacity.

USA president David J. Mac-Donald said in June: "If the present trend in the steel industry continues, we will see a degree of unemployment in our industry in the year 1960 which equals or even exceeds the depths of the 1957-58 recession. And this after the 116-day strike depleted inventories! Apparently the steel industry is becoming a nine-month industry.'

MacDonald, like Reuther,

40 in the recent negotiatons with similar proposals. The Demo- Canadian unions are doing. the steel companies. The three- crats refused to adopt any such tion and the economic recession, year contract signed in steel more and more groups of work- makes it impossible to raise the MacDonald climbed on the Ken-

MacDonald complains in July Labor: "We have had no success because the industrial leaders with whom we deal have turned It appears unlikely to say the The UAW had put 30-for-40 least that any collective barthe auto bosses. But when the to get us on the road to a shorter

The steel workers' head is therefore turning all efforts on egislative action. He proposes that Congress enact a new Fair Labor Standards law reducing hours. He appeared before the Democratic Platform Committee at Los Angeles urging that it

### Notice to Our Readers

Beginning with the issue of

Sept. 19th, the Militant will return to its weekly schedule of publication. The current issue, dated

Sept. 5-12, is the last of the double-dated issues on our summer schedule.

recommendation. Despite this, nedy-Johnson bandwagon.

It would be excellent if Congress would legislate a shorter work week. But Mac-Donald must know that a Congress which enacted the antilabor Kennedy - Landrum-Griffin bill is not going to pass a shorter-work-week measure, especially after both Democratic and Republican conventions rejected it.

The unions will never achieve this necessary protection for their members if, like MacDondemand when they confront the United States. employers around the bargaining table or on the picket lines in contract negotiations.

Many auto workers understand this. Seven Chrysler UAW locals have already called upon their top officials to reopen the contract with the corporation to Cuban residents here from their Cuban revolution.

counted on to enact pro-labor July 26 Movement.

## Recalls How '58 "Victory" Yielded New Antilabor Act

By Farrell Dobbs

Socialist Workers Party Candidate for President

To nobody's surprise, the general board of the AFL-CIO, meeting in Washington Aug. 26, endorsed the Democratic presidential ticket and called upon its members to give "full and unstinting support" to Senators John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson.

The AFL-CIO leaders claimed the election of the Democrats would be "in the best interests of the United States and of the labor movement." Immediately after the board action, the AFL-CIO Committee on Political Education (COPE) appealed to the federation's 135 affiliated unions to speed their drive for \$1 political contributions

I doubt whether the official endorsement of Kennedy and Johnson will generate much enthusiasm in the union anks, however much they dislike the Republican candidates. More and more workers rightly fail to see any essential differences in the programs or performance of the two parties. Nor have they forgotten what happened after the sweeping victory of the Democrats in the 1958 Congressional elections.

At that time the union leaders hailed the landslide, which gave the Democratic party two-to-one majorities in OAS Resolution both Houses, as a mandate for new advances in progressive egislation and as assurance of labor's greater influence in Washington. These illusions were speedily exploded.

Instead of repealing the Taft-Hartley Act and other obnoxious legislation, the present Congress enacted the no less vicious Kennedy-Landrum-Griffin Bill. The Democratic presidential nominee authored the main sections of that bill and voted for it. His running mate, Lyndon B. Johnson, piloted the measure through the Senate.

After this anti-labor measure was passed at the first session of the 86th Congress, the union leaders from Meany should have condemned the U.S. to Reuther vehemently denounced the Democratic-Repubtime" — if the Republicans for its attempts to embargo lican coalition responsible for it and threatened to withdraw all further support from them. This has turned out to be pure bluster.

Starting with Reuther, the AFL-CIO heads have one medical care for the aged, aid the same right to reject the OAS by one come over into Kennedy's camp, swallowing Johnto education, minimum wage, dictates that it break relations son in the bargain. Their official expression of support climaxes their surrender and subservience to the big bosses of the Democratic machine.

### Randolph Dissents

The vote was not unanimous. One of the union leaders, A. Philip Randolph of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car to the Veterans of Foreign Wars | Porters, refused to go along. He told reporters there was convened session does hand the Reuther warned the leaders of for old people. This time the this week branding the Castro not enough difference between Senator Kennedy and Vice-

> It is easy to see why Randolph resisted support to the Democratic ticket. The Negro people have been watching gave all-out support to the knocked down when 19 mem- bi-partisan cold war policy to the course of the Kennedy-Johnson team with increasing Kennedy-Johnson ticket. Later bers of the Democratic Senate the Cuban people and its revo- alarm and mistrust. They know that actions speak louder than words in the civil rights struggle. And, despite the high-sounding promises in the Democratic platform, they have seen Kennedy and Johnson block any favorable action when the chance came to do something for civil rights in this special Congressional session.

George Meany said that Randolph dissented because he wanted to form a labor party on the ground that the nation had no real choice now. Meany rejected this idea.

If Meany and Reuther were as responsive to the genuine interests of labor as Randolph is sensitive to the moods and demands of the Negro people, they would have taken up his proposal. They would proclaim the need for an end to the two-party runaround and for the estabdropped the demand for 30-for- "give top priority" to this and lishment of labor's own political organization, as the

> Instead, they are paving the way for the same disillusionment experienced after the 1958 elections by helping into office a set of capitalist politicians who will not hesitate to deliver new blows at labor's rights.

> We urge all those union members who can no longer take this suicidal policy to vote for the candidates of the Socialist Workers Party, the only advocates of a Labor party in the 1960 elections.

## "We Will Win!" Say Cubans At Union Square Rally in N.Y.

NEW YORK, Aug. 29 - The | participants backed fresh breeze of the Cuban revo- speakers with a spirited shoutald and Reuther, they rely upon lution was felt here last night ing of slogans. "The imperialthe political representatives of at a large, militant Union ists thought they would use the big business to get it for them. Square rally sponsored by the method of Guatemala," declared the work week to 32 hours or 30 They will have to fight for this July 26 Movement in the one speaker, "but they are con-

support of Cuba's revolution. The program included speak-In addition, by building their ers representing organizations own party, the unions will have in Puerto Rico, the Dominican to elect workingmen and wom- Republic, Spanish Republican en to Congress who can be refugees and spokesmen for the

fronted with a people with high The turnout of several thou- revolutionary consciousness.... sand Cuban-Americans and They thought they could make their spirited reaction to the the Cubans kneel." ("Never, speeches provided a striking Never!" shouted the audience) demonstration that neither the "They can try, but they will find U.S. propaganda machine nor on the beaches the graves of the counter - revolutionary emigres Marines and anyone else low have succeeded in shaking enough to fight against the

"Here in the land of imperialism, we will make it known how we live, how we learn and how we will win," declared another speaker. "We will win, we will win," roared the au-

Like the rallies in Cuba, the diencee in unison.

# A Change to Socialism

-By Myra Tanner Weiss -

Socialist Workers Party Vice-Presidential Candidate

We advocate a change to socialism first of all because we recognize what an inefficient, wasteful, insane system capitalism is. The proposals made by the Democratic and Republican candidates themselves go far to prove this.

Senator Kennedy foresees signs of a new recession and greater unemployment. Instead of a vast new public works program, he has recommended that another \$3 billion be added to the already staggering military budget. Nixon has set no such specific figure but his Republican platform states there can be no ceiling on necessary arms expenditures.

In recent years a colossal arms budget has become such a fixture in American government that many people forget its real meaning. Since 1940 arms spending has been propping up our economy. Even today, twenty transportation and banks years later, U.S. capitalism can only by increasing the warmaking budget still further.

and Republican candidates, there will be no end to this mad arms race.

What a waste of the wealth our workers create! Arms production meets no needs of the American people. It criminally right. squanders human labor and natural resources. Arms production satisfies only big business which profits from the manufacture and sale to the government of the instruments of death.

Arms production imposes a back-breaking burden of high prices and taxes on the working people. It leads to imperialist ventures and to war.

Why must we be chained to a system in which workers can earn their livelihood only by fabricating engines of destruction which enrich the millionaires but make their country hated and feared throughout the

### Grim Alternatives

the grim alternatives between are the same whether Democommitted to the perpetuation Democratic parties. of the capitalist system.

These alternatives warn us that the capitalist system is outmoded, and that we must get rid of it, if we are to enjoy economic and cultural progress indeed if we are to survive. Unless the war-making powers are ful use their political power to taken out of the hands of the break once and for all the profiteers, the danger of H-bomb | monopolist stranglehold by in- and equality by voting for the incineration will continue to stituting public ownership of Socialist Workers party candihang over us.

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berger, pointed out on July 25:

"We give the impression of

staging an election which is but

a race with one horse, or, one

might say, two parties and two

candidates split from the same

monolithic whole. Sameness is

The Real Debate

The sole serious and fun-

damental debate in this cam-

paign would be one between the

Republocrat upholders of capi-

our national problems.

the standard. .



MYRA TANNER WEISS

What would socialism do? It would replace private ownership of the country's industries, now owned and controlled by ward off a developing slump some sixty extremely wealthy families - with public ownership. Production would be plan-If it is left to the Democratic ned to meet the needs of the population. A socialist government would first of all make sure that everyone can obtain nutritious food, decent housing, acequate medical care and edu- tacular achievements of the Socation not as a charity but as a

work week to 30 hours without ment of planning brought Rusreduction in pay. It would also sia in less than forty years from eliminate the man-killing speed- one of the weakest to one of the up prevalent today in major in- mightiest powers on earth. And

### Production for Peace

One of the first things to go under a socialist regime will be the arms budget. Industries now turning out missiles, nuclear for peace, not for war; for use, not for profit.

lished? Through democratic ac- viet people see that capitalist tion of the working people of militarism has been abolished in America who are the majority the United States by a fraternal Depression or war - these are in this country, says the Social- and peaceful workers' governist Workers party. This will re- ment, they can proceed without which capitalism swings. They quire a political struggle. The delay to their own disarmament government is not neutral. To- and democratization. crats or Republicans are in of- day it represents big business fice, because both parties are through the Republican and

To combat capitalist rule, the working people must organize their own party, as the Canadian unions, for example, are now doing. They must strive to win national supremacy and when successthe basic industries.

Plans Suit

let the voters know what the

At the Republican conven-

tion Eisenhower challenged

Khrushchev to permit elec-

tions in the Soviet sphere on

the issue of capitalism versus

communism. Yet, here at

home, he and his party won't

even permit the American

people to learn what social-

ism is from American social-

The suspension of equal time

Seattle, Washington

ican politics. Both are devoted socialists really stand for. What-

to promoting the interests of ever they hear today about so-

the moneyed class at home and cialism comes from the enemies

share a bipartisan foreign policy. of socialism or through such

New York Times, C. L. Sulz- as Nixon's campaign paper on

talism and the proponents of is a double blow at civil rights.

socialism. But the Congres- It deprives legally qualified par-

sional measure is intended to ties of the right to present their

The propagandists for capi- be fully and fairly informed on

**Put Socialism** 

**On Washington Ballot** 

Instead of voting on Primary Day, Tuesday, Sept.

13, attend the Socialist Workers Party nominating con-

vention in Seattle. Hall open from 8 a.m. till 10 p.m.

for registration. Sign convention register (nominating

petition for SWP Presidential ticket.) By law, Sept. 13 is

the only day it can be signed. Signers must be registered

- Evening Session -

Farrell Dobbs

SWP Presidential Nominee

will give

An Eyewitness Report on Japan

voters who have not voted in the primary.

1412 18th Ave. (near Union)

evidently don't care or dare to it casts its ballot.

As Reston's colleague on the ignorant, distorted documents

"Communism."

people - it might also be called rent contest. a workers and farmers govern-

socialist America, of course, will Japan. not only enact but enforce legislation and educate public opin- tary occupation of Japan, many ion to wipe out segregation and Japanese people speak English. discrimination on account of This facilitated his securing an race or nationality.

The goal of a socialist society universal well being - can be attained only through unrestricted participation of the people in shaping economic and political decisions. The idea that people somehow can be made happy without their consent has nothing to do with socialism.

### Will It Work?

Will a planned economy work? Yes, we say. Look at the specviet Union in space technology and other fields. The abolition It would at the outset cut the of capitalism and the establishthese accomplishments took place despite gross bureaucracy, bad government, mismanagement, dire poverty, a heritage of backwardness and the most terrible war in history.

It will be much easier to build weapons, fighter planes and the toward socialism in the United like will be converted to making States than in the USSR. We useful goods. Production will be will not have to overcome the legacy of economic backwardness, the true source of Stalin-How will socialism be estab- ist despotism. And once the So-

> With our skilled labor, rich resources, tremendous industrial plant and highly developed science, the change to socialism can quickly end poverty on this continent and give us far more material security and individual freedom than we have ever known.

Register your desire for such a society of peace, abundance dates in November.

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only one opposed, to grant

Lambrecht equal time with

the representatives of the

other two youth organizations.

Peace, civil liberties and civil

ights were the principal topics

during the discussion, with the

versity of Minnesota in Min-

brecht said.

neapolis.

ham County.

## Why America Needs A Presidential Candidate Reports on Japan of minor criticism of his reac- anti-bomb congress," Dobbs

By Harry Ring

During an election campaign, presidential candidates do a good bit of traveling, but Farrell Dobbs, the Socialist Workers nominee, seems to be out to A government of the working set a mileage record in the cur-

Prior to his spring national ment - would have to overhau! speaking tour he made an exthe present structure of the gov- tensive visit to Cuba for a firsternment in order to make it hand view of the revolution thoroughly democratic. In addi- there. Then, last month, he tion, it would have to provide flew to Tokyo to represent the for control of factories and Socialist Workers party at the whole industries by elected Sixth World Conference Against Atomic and Hydrogen bombs. In New York, before leaving

Freedom of speech, press and on his current cross-country assembly, trade union rights, in-cluding the right to strike — all Militant an account of the conof these democratic rights will ference and some of his impresbe enlarged under socialism. A sions of the political scene in

As a result of the U.S. miliextensive sampling of political opinion through conversations with many of the delegates at the conference.

### Antiwar Movement

He returned from Japan greatly inspired by the strong anti-war and anti-capitalist sentiment that is developing there. 'I felt in the air," he said, "a renewed vigor in political life that is typical of young people throughout the world who are esisting the insane preparations for nuclear suicide."

At the anti-bomb conference there were delegates from 29 countries and a mass delegation of thousands from Japan itself. 'The delegates had many differences of opinion on how they could best meet the problem of the bomb," Dobbs explained, "but they were united in their determination to prevent other and more deadly Hiroshimas."

He found that the militant anti-war sentiment of the Japanese workers and students, so dramatically expressed in the giant demonstrations against the U.S. military treaty, had a pronounced effect on the entire gathering.

"In the past," he explained. these conferences were characterized more by abstract humanist appeals against the manufacture and testing of nuclear weapons - appeals to the warmakers to quit making and testng these weapons that threaten the destruction of civilization.

"This year there was a new rend manifest in the congress. Not only was there absolute solidarity against all forms of preparation for nuclear warfare out the conference went on record in support of the Japanese fight against the military treaty that Washington is trying to impose on them. That was

Discussing the anti-war movement in Japan, he described some of the background to the explosive June student demon-... Campaigning strations and workers' political trikes that forced the cancellation of the Eisenhower visit and and toppled the Kishi govern-NSA met and voted, with ment.

Student Movement After the war, he explained, the U.S. military occupation authorities fell victim to their own machinations when they permitted the reinstitution of what audience most concerned with they hoped would be a "conthe fight for civil liberties, Lam-trolled democracy." Tradeunions were legalized and the ed up in State Department top The twelve-day congress of students were permitted to form secret files for fifteen years, recthe NSA was held at the Uni- their own national organization. ords of the conference, held The occupation authorities from July 17 to Aug. 2, 1945, hoped to keep these organiza- were recently "leaked" to Flettions subservient to them. By cher Knebel and Charles W Socialist campaigners in Utah the same token, they gave their are now filing a second petition blessings to the reemergence of staff correspondents, who pubrequired by law to get the So- the Socialist party, whose leadcialist Workers and Farmers ership they assumed would be The Potsdam Papers. party candidates on the ballot, sufficiently conservative to keep Earlier in the summer, the party the Japanese people in check. nullify just such a confronta- views on an equality with all won recognition as a result of But things didn't work out tion of opposing solutions to other parties. And it robs the a convention and of the first that way. The first organization

American public of the right to petition that was circulated. to "get out of hand" was Zenga-The second petition asks the kuren, the national council of talism, despite all their bluster, all sides of public issues before secretary of state to place the student organizations whose names of Farrell Dobbs for membership includes a quarter president and Myra Tanner of a million university students Weiss for vice-president on the and many high school youth, This movement gained ballot. Both petitions require a minimum of 500 signatures of strength on the basis of its camregistered voters. Socialist cam- paign around three issues. The paigners obtained about 1,000 first thing the students pressed

> for was the immediate repair They report good response and rebuilding of the schools to their effort among Carbon that had been damaged by the County coal miners, steel workers in and around Provo, ing the war. and copper miners in Bing-

gathering efforts. The law calls for 12,000 signatures of regis-Their third demand was for istered voters throughout the the democratization of the unistate, with a minimum of fifty versity administrations. They in each one of the state's 63 insisted that the students be counties. In Wisconsin, too, given an equal voice and the SWP supporters are clipping means to defend their interalong in their signature camests again arbitrary actions on paign to get the ticket on the the part of the administra-

militarists to ride herd on the

As Zengakuren flourished it

### Massive Brainwashing

New York campaigners are on

the last lap of their signature-

A hundred companies invested 21/2 billion in advertising last three principal political tenden-proposed mission was not clear. cies within the organization.



cancel his visit to the country. Their opposition forced the Kishi government to withdraw its invitation to the President.

leadership, Dobbs found, is centered around an organization called the Communist League. This group had been bureaucratically expelled from the Communist party in 1958 and denounced as "Trotskyist" after its leaders had protested the party's failure to take a resolute stand against the Japanese capitalist class.

This group continued to move left for a period after its expul-

But, Dobbs explained, the CL finally crystallized as a centrist tendency. While it opposes the Japanese capitalist class and rejects the status-quo concept of "peaceful coexistence" advocated by Khrushchev and the Japanese CP, it rejects the Trotskyist stand that the Soviet Union is a workers' state that should be defended against imperialism despite the bureau cratic regime in power there.

Communist League leaders in Zengakuren have also been criticized by many of the politically conscious students on the ground that it has not demonstrated an adequate appreciation of the need to link up the student movement with the organized labor movement in the fight for peace and socialism.

In the course of his discus-

The strongest section of the group are giving serious consideration to the revolutionary Marxist views of Trotsky and a number have already associated themselves with the Trotskvist

### Students Socialist League

The second most influential group in Zengakuren, he said, is the Students Socialist League, which operates on a revolutionary Marxist program. A significant section of the membership of this group are members or supporters of the Revolutionary Communist League, the Trotskyist tendency, which has enjoyed encouraging growth in the past several years.

way inner-party factional unions." struggle, and by the party's refusal to adopt a clear-cut social-

tops keep insisting 'now is not ers and students is shifting to the time' to project a socialist the elections expected to be program. They keep looking held around November. and hoping for a deal with any- "The big political developsions in Japan, Dobbs found that one in Kishi's Liberal Demo-ment in this connection took

tionary line."

While the Socialist party exercises the least influence among the students of any of the radical port of Sohyo, the Japanese counterpart of the AFL-CIO,

> ers' party in the country. Dobbs said that it remains in Republicans and Democrats." opposition to the American-Japanese military treaty and in general opposition to the imperialist preparations for a third orld war.

and is the predominant work-

However, he added, "The eaders of the party, place all heir stress on parliamentary activity, saying that all the workers need do is elect more Socialists to the Diet - they won't need student demontrikes, they can rely on their Congressmen.

But while the Socialist party leaders may be conservative in their approach to the big social problems confronting Japan, the working class is becoming more, and more

In addition to the fear that he U.S. will drag their country into a new war, two main factors are contributing to this fighting spirit in the ranks of Japanese labor, Dobbs found.

### Antilabor Drive

He came back with the defnite impression that the economic situation in Japan is roughly similar to the one here. There is a generally high level of employment but "rationalization," the Japanese term for the process called "automation" here, is taking an increasing toll on jobs. At the same time, the Japanese bosses are pressing an anti-labor offensive to roll back job conditions, intensify speed-up and reduce the number of men on the payroll. "There's a steady whittling

away of jobs," Dobbs said "and buildup of the backlog of chronic unemployment. Inven-The third group contending tories are rising. Economists are for leadership in the student debating, not whether Japan is movement is the Communist heading for a slump, but if it While the CP has en- will come this year or if it can joyed a certain growth in the be forestalled until 1961. These ecent period, Dobbs said, it has factors are impelling the Japbeen hampered by internal dif- anese workers to struggle in inficulties, expressed in a three-dustrial terms through their

Since the imposition of the installation of the Ikeda regime. many other countries," Dobbs, tually the same as Kishi's govexplained, "the Japanese CP ernment, the focus of the work-

numerous supporters of this cratic party who has any kind place at the same time as the

ment asked only that the em-

peror be retained. However,

Washington accepted these

same terms on Aug. 11 after

a second atom bomb exploded

Truman told the American

of defenseless Japanese civilians

of invading Japan, saved a mil-

lion GI lives and ended World

War II. The Potsdam Papers,

however, explode this claim.

They show that neither Truman

nor the State department were

guided by humanitarian con-

ians who died and are still dying

from the atomic explosions

have been human sacrifices to

American imperialism's drive

In his book, Fear, War, and

he Bomb, P.M.S. Blackett,

leading British atomic scientist

and 1948 Nobel prize winner,

stated his belief that the mass

murders were not "so much the

last military act of the Second

World War, as the first act of

for world domination.

over Nagasaki.

stall the Japanese and merely sideration. The Japanese civil-

said. "At the same time as the congress was meeting. Sohvo. the labor federation, was holding its national convention tendencies, it does have the sup- The delegates to the convention voted that in the coming elections Sohyo will support the Socialist party against the Liberal Democrats. This is the same as Describing the politics of the if the AFL-CIO decided to run Socialist party leadership, labor candidates against the He was told that, while the

Socialist party might not be strong enough to win a majority in the coming elections, the prospects are that it will significantly increase its representation in the Diet.

"There is a deepening politicalization of the Japanese workers and students taking place," Dobbs said. "As a result of their trations, they won't need battle against the treaty and the union fight for economic security, there is growing recognition of the need to put labor into power in the government.'

## **Meeting Marks Anniversary of** Trotsky's Death

NEW YORK, Aug. 23 -What greatly impressed me was the defiant spirit of the young worker and student leaders of the anti-war forces, who participated not only in this conference but in the demonstrations against the Japanese-American treaty," declared Farrell Dobbs, Socialist Workers party presidential candidate. "The American people should understand that these Japanese youth and their elders do not want to become victims of another atomic war and that they believe the treaty imposed upon them by Washington is dragging them in that direction.'

Dobbs, who just returned from Japan where he attended the World Conference Against A and H-Bombs, was the principal speaker at the meeting held at Hotel Albert here tonight to commemorate the twentieth anniversary of the assassination of Leon Trotsky.

"The Socialist Workers party and the Young Socialist Alliance are honoring the ideas of Trotsky in the way he would hated military treaty and the have urged and approved - by carrying them into action in the "Like the CP here and in so which Dobbs described as vir- struggle for peace, for equality and for socialism against the political representatives of big business rule," said William F. Warde, who spoke on the significance of Trotsky's teachings

"In the last year of his life Trotsky predicted: 'The Socialist regime in the U.S. would signify from the beginning the rise of independence, initiative and the creative power of the human personality.'

"Trotsky was determined to bring forth the conditions which would make possible a flowering and fulfillment of the human personality, not only for a favored few, but for the billions of toiling and aspiring mankind. The liberation of the economy from capitalist restrictions was indispensable for this higher goal," Warde concluded.

James Lambrecht, national secretary of the Young Socialist Alliance, said that the youth he knew were sceptical about paying homage to any individual. But he saw in Trotsky a person who had so honestly and consistently lived his ideals that he could be taken as an example to admire and follow.

The audience of 180 contributed almost \$200 to help put the SWP candidates on the ballot in New York state.

### On the Nose

A press release from Axe Science & Electronics Corp. discloses: "Business is both good and bad and the outlook for the rest of 1960 is for a continuation the cold diplomatic war with of different conditions in differ-

## ruman, Stalin and the A-Bomb

By Lillian Kiezel

Definitive proof of a sinister agreement between President Harry Truman and Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin at the Potsdam conference which stalled Japanese peace "feelers" for three weeks until U.S.-made atomic bombs destroyed the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on Aug. 6 and 9, 1945 has finally been made public. Lock-Bailey, Minneapolis Tribune licized them in a series entitled

American career diplomats and politicians knew the Japanese government was ready to surrender. Incessant incendiary bombings of its major cities by the American air force had reduced Japan to chaos and de-

Here are some excerpts of a meeting between Truman and Stalin at Potsdam on July 17 1945 recorded by Charles E. Bohlen, Truman's political adviser and personal interpreter: "Stalin said that the Soviet

Union had received a communi-American bombardments dur- cation from the Japanese, and he handed to the President a Then they lit a fire under the copy of a note from Sato [Naooccupation authorities about the take Sato, Japanese ambassador failure to clean out of the uni- to Moscow] . . . with a message versity faculties professors from the Emperor. planted there by the Japanese

"Stalin inquired of the Presi dent whether it was worthwhile to answer this communication. The President replied that he had no respect for the good faith of the Japanese. "Stalin pointed out that the

Soviet Union was not at war be desirable to lull the Japanese to sleep, and possibly a general and unspecific answer also advanced in political con- might be returned, pointing out sciousness. Today there are that the exact character of the Alternative would be that they

might ignore it completely and though the Japanese governnot answer, or send back a definite refusal.

"The President said that he thought the first course of action would be satisfactory." Stalin was anxious to stall the

Japanese long enough so that the Soviet Union could declare people that the atom bombings war on Japan early in August, as planned, thus giving the So- spared U.S. forces the necessity viet Union a say in the Japanese peace treaty. Bohlen's account of the Staln-Truman meeting disproves Truman's assertions in his book

of memoirs, Year of Decision.

that Stalin made the decision to

informed him about it at Pots-

Moreover, Truman knew at the time that Japan had also asked Switzerland and Sweden to intercede. Knebel and Bailey said the Swedish government had informed the State Department on July 6, 1945 that "Japan had lost the war and wanted to enter surrender negotiations through the King of Sweden." In addition, the U.S. had broken through the Japanese code

United States officials." On July 24 "Truman informed Stalin of the existence of the atomic bomb," Knebel and Bailey said. On July 26 the U.S., Britain and China demanded Japan's surrender without conditions or face "prompt and utter destruction."

system and their appeals to

Moscow "were known to top

Tokyo kept up its appeals. Then on Aug. 6 Hiroshima was destroyed. Two days later Moscow's foreign office handed Sato a declaration of war against Japan. Knebel and Bailey said the Potsdam papers "give no clue as to why Stalin and Truwith Japan and that it might man brushed off the emperor's peace overtures." The "sticking point," they said, seemed to be the "desire for unconditional surrender."

> From July 6 on the State Department rejected all Japan's offers of surrender,

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## Cuba Defies U.S. 'Discipline'

After a week's delay, under immense pressure from the U.S. delegation headed by Secretary of State Herter, nineteen of the twenty-one members of the Organization of American States adopted a resolution of censure directed against Cuba for its refusal to reject aid from the Soviet Union and China. The San Jose Declaration asserted that all member states were "under obligation to submit to the discipline of the Inter-American system."

Cuba's Foreign Minister Dr. Raul Roa told the conference that Cuba would take aid from any nation that was willing to help her fight imperialistic aggression from the United States. The Cuban spokesman insisted that the only threat of intervention came from the United States and that the OAS should aim its indictment against Washington, not Havana or Moscow. In that way, Dr. Roa said, the OAS would show that it would act to protect a small state against a big one.

Cuba's representatives submitted a counter-resolution warning the United States against continuing its policies of "provocation, intervention and aggression." The Cubans left the conference after this was voted down, 18 to 1.

The OAS was organized in 1947 under U.S. supervision, and has been kept going with the help of many of the now overthrown dictators, including Batista, to serve as an instrument for reinforcing U.S. domination over Latin America. Washington has wielded its financial resources, military and diplomatic strength to keep the weak and divided Latin American countries under its thumb through

To promote the State Department's aim of isolating and strangling the Cuban revolution, Herter agreed to an earlier resolution by the foreign ministers' conference imposing diplomatic and gradual economic sanctions on the Dominican Republic. The Secretary of State was extremely reluctant to take so drastic a move against Trujillo's tyranny which it had patronized and protected for many years. But he had no alternative but to trade the break with Trujillo for unity in the attack upon Cuba.

Even then the censure of Cuba was not easy to push through. The foreign ministers stalled for a week, seeking some compromise. But Washington insisted on "A la Sierra con Fidel!" — "To its pound of flesh, while the Cubans stood the Sierra with Fidel!" - was firm in upholding their sovereign right to shape their own policy.

The foreign ministers of Venezuela and Peru had deputies sign the document on behalf of their governments because they were personally opposed to it. Mexico issued its own interpretation of the resolution, saying that "in no way does it constitute a condemnation or a threat against several days in the near wilder-Cuba, whose aspirations for economic improvement and social justice have the tion center was the Capitolio, strongest sympathy of the Government and the people of Mexico."

These official attitudes convey only dreds of youngsters were a pale reflection of the real feelings of the streaming through the great Latin American masses toward the Cuban revolution and its conflict with the U.S. government. The Cuban Foreign Minister, Dr. Raul Roa, was not exaggerating when he said, as he walked out of the conference: "I am going back to my people and with me go all the peoples of Latin America."

The U.S. imperialists have been exploiting and holding down the Latin American nations through their corporate enterprises and financial holdings backed up, when necessary, by such diplomatic combinations as the OAS.

Cuba is the first Latin-American government to muster the courage to defy the North American colossus and cast off both these shackles. By nationalizing a billion dollars worth of foreign-owned properties, it has taken a long step toward economic sovereignty. But refusing to be bound by the dictates of Washington expressed through the OAS resolution, it has asserted its freedom of diplomatic action.

These bold steps have not only safeguarded the sovereignty of Cuba but represent the beginning of a new chapter in the efforts of all Latin America to find its way to freedom.

### Assault on Puerto Rican Rights

While Secretary of State Herter was in Costa Rica, talking about the need to defend democracy, the House Un-American Committee was demonstrating its contempt for the democratic rights of Puerto Rican citizens.

The House of Representatives on Aug. 23 cited thirteen men and women in Puerto Rico for their refusal to answer questions about Communist party membership by the House Sub-Committee on Un-American Activities. The citations have been turned over to the United States Attorney for Puerto Rico for court action.

A citation against Consuelo Burgos de Saez Pagan was approved by a roll-call vote of 312 to 0. The citations against the other twelve were equally unanimously approved by voice vote. Not a single liberal Democrat in the House raised any objection.

These persecutions are especially outrageous because, as a presumably selfgoverning Commonwealth, Puerto Rico is supposed to have some independent rights of its own. It has no vote in the U.S. House of Representatives. Yet a crew of witchhunting snoopers can go to the island, subject its citizens to impermissible interrogations, and then put them in jail if they exercise their constitutional right not to

The intervention of the House Un-American investigators in Puerto Rico ernment. They recognized, even lar contact between the Cuban aroused great indignation there which will if many Americans do not as Youth and the many thousands undoubtedly be increased by its follow-up yet, that Eisenhower's govern- of young Americans who symaction. The citations for contempt offer a flagrant example of the harmful work of the Committee and prove the urgent need hatred, like that periodically olution and its struggle against

The Emergency Civil Liberties Committee holds that the House Un-American Activities Committee has acted unconstitutionally. According to Clark Foreman, its Director, it will do everything in its power to defend the rights of the Puerto Ricans if they are prosecuted in the courts. The ECLC believes that if these cases get to the Supreme 'Court, masses of sorely disappointed peace." the position of the witnesses will be people were streaming back af-

### The Powers Trial

After pleading guilty, Francis Gary Powers, pilot of the U-2 spy plane shot down over Russia May 1, was given a tenyear sentence by a military court in Moscow. President Eisenhower and Senator Kennedy considered the sentence harsh, although Senator Fulbright, head of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and most of the European press thought it lenient, in view of the offense.

The American airman was, in fact, as much a victim of Pentagon policy as the entire American people. His sentence was certainly not excessive since he was liable to the death penalty. Caught in the act, he could not claim innocence after the head of the government which ordered his mission had not only acknowledged its purpose but continued to claim the "right" to make such intelligence flights over the Soviet Union.

His sentence was far more lenient than penalties meted out for comparable offenses by the U.S. government. Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were put to death while Morton Sobell is still serving a thirty-year sentence on similar charges. And yet, unlike Powers, none of them were caught committing any crime or ever admitted their guilt. In fact, millions of people all over the world believe they were innocent.

Eisenhower's comment on the Powers case was more significant and ominous in another respect. He again defended the U-2 spy flights which led to the American Las Mercedes, we converged up- Cuban Revolution. Several hunairman's capture on Soviet territory as a on a gathering of more than a dred delegates represented necessary effort to gain information about million Cubans, settled on the youth from labor, student, a society that is "constantly threatening

The President has apparently discard- bration was the school-city of Rico. The YSA was the only naed the promise made to Khrushchev on the Camilo Cienfuegos, named, like tional youth organization from eve of the exploded Paris conference that all new schools in Cuba, after the U.S. to send an official delethe U.S. would discontinue these recon- a rebel martyr. Here 20,000 gation to the Congress. Our naissance flights. He has reverted to the original stand expressed by Secretary of Five hundred children were al-State Herter that the U-2 program was ready settled in the completed a variety of problems facing undertaken with the knowledge and con- sections enjoying the first op- youth, both in Latin America sent of the White House, was fully justified, and would not be stopped.

World opinion outside the U.S. has largely tended to agree with the Soviet began, thousands of militia men bomb tests, for industrialization contention that these flights constitute an and women, peasants waving and agrarian reform in the un-"aggressive provocation" without precedent in international law and that such a agricultural workers drivers described their new farm equipment, Republic of China by the United violation of national sovereignty runs the workers, students, and teachers Nations - to cite a few - were risk of detonating war.

Senator Fulbright has likened Eisenhower's argument that the flights must be made because "we needed intelligence" to the arguments of Hitler, Mussolini and speakers' rostrum, the whole delegates and to the Cuban the Japanese war lords who claimed the stage seemed to shake from the press on Aug. 5 purporting to "right" during the thirties to commit ag- ovation. Castro began to talk "unmask" the Latin American gression because they needed "living about the gains and the per- Trotskyists, one of the many space."

The cold warriors in the administra- cheers and chants: "Vencere- kee imperialism." tion have evidently not heeded in the mos!" ("We Shall Win!") and slightest the widespread condemnation of "Sin Cuota, Pero Sin Amo!" issued in the name of the Cuban sia and certain bourgeois circles example can cause the other their course. They persist in the brinkmanship which can create other and more utes, after a particularly stir- the organizations represented in the political and economic ress, while the enemies of sodangerous U-2 incidents.

# Young Socialists Attend Congress in Cuba

By Peter Allan

(Peter Allan headed the deleation of seven members of the Young Socialist Alliance which visited Cuba in July to attend the first Latin American Congress of Youth.)

When we arrived in Havana, the city was bustling with preparations for the coming concentracion - the Cuban term for "huge mass meeting" - in the easternmost province of Oriente celebrating the seventh anniversary of the July 26 Movement. the slogan displayed on every building, vehicle, lamp post and blazoned in every periodical and newspaper.

Teen-age and student militias were touring Havana with trucks, collecting provisions donated by citizens to help feed the hundreds of thousands who were going to concentrate for ness of the Sierra. The colleccapitol building of Cuba and once a sinister edifice occupied by Batista gangsters. Now hunhalls with big boxes of victuals, piling them high in the spacious rooms, counting and planning their final distribution for the

Excitedly, they took us around by the arm and told us what Fidel Castro had explained to them, that one of the purposes of the mass rally so far from the city was to bring the urban workers and students closer to the peasants to find out how they lived and what their problems were. The peasants, who had formed the backbone of the revolutionary forces in Oriente, would in turn impart some of their spirit to the city dwellers.

Along the route of the Youth ward at the train stations to the crushing traffic. wave their banners, chant revolutionary slogans, and grasp the train stopped

At one station, two of us leaned out of the doors and, proclaiming that we were from the United States, cried "Long live the Cuban Revolution!" A deafening cheer emerged from the crowd and a hundred hands stretched out in a vain effort to shake ours,

but resented the American gov- | . . . [we] hope to establish reguinterests of the American peo- tion. ple. We met no nationalistic "We consider the Cuban Revagainst other nations, but poli- on the road to world peace . .

tical understanding. were bundled aboard a truck revolutionary struggle against with seats and no cover and imperialism . . . thus helping driven along an unpaved dusty to weaken the power of Ameriroad, choked with thousands of can capitalism in our own counmotor vehicles and foot-travel- try which deceives and regiers. Already there was no more ments our people and constiroom at the rally grounds and tutes the major threat to world ter being turned away.

### School-City

tually live, study, and work. ers. portunity the mountain folk and the rest of the world. Resolearn to read and write.

marched exultingly past the accepted overwhelmingly. stand where Fidel Castro and hailed them in turn.

ring statement by Castro, the within that delegation.



Photo courtesy INRA A Cuban worker at an agricultural cooperative in Pinar del Rio province tends to henequen, a fibrous plant used in the manufacture of rope.

crowd would roar back approval, applaud in long rythmic claps, make up new chants, and eturn to the old ones - "Viva Fidel!" and "Cuba Si, Yanguis

When Castro mentioned land reform, the masses, led by the peasants, cheered, tossed their hats, and waved anything at hand, stopping the speech for half an hour. When a few drops of rain began falling as Castro started to speak again, the people would not let him continue until he had put on a raincoat, for they were concerned about his recent bout of pneu-

After the speeches, the July 26 celebration extended late into the evening with a program of fireworks, drama, native and modern ballet dancing, and processionals. Hundreds of thousands who could not return that night settled down with us on Congress train, at all the larger the hard ground of the open towns, huge crowds and brass fields in improvised tents of bands were gathered to hail the sleeping bags. The canteen of delegates from their brother the Rebel Army provided cold Latin American countries. Until drinks and food at lower than past 2 a.m., they pressed for- city prices and solidiers directed

Before we left for the Sierra our hands during the short time the delegation of the Young Socialist Alliance had been interviewed by Prensa Latina, the Cuban worldwide news agancy, and by El Combate, a popular daily newspaper. El Combate printed a three-column photograph of us and the interview on the front page.

"We have come to find out the truth about Cuba to bring it One young Cuban managed to back to the American people,' get hold of my hand and held on we declared in the name of our long enough to tell me, as we organization. "We want to meet were to be told all over Cuba and speak with the workers, unfailingly, that the Cubans peasants, and particularly the cherished the American people student youth of Cuba . . . and

ment does not represent the true pathize with the Cuban Revolu-

fostered in our own country imperialism as a giant advance In our opinion, world peace will On the last leg of our trip, we be attained only through the

### Youth Congress

The Youth Congress, which resumed in Havana after July Nevertheless our and a few 26, was the first of its kind, other trucks forged on. Near largely made possible by the rough terrain where a "school teachers, political, and fraternal city" was in the process of con- organizations from every Latin struction. The site of the cele- American country plus Puerto peasant children would even- delegation attended as observ-

Three commissions worked on have had in Cuban history to lutions calling for self-determination of the smaller nations, For hours before the speeches ending the cold war and Htheir newly-gained land titles, derdeveloped parts of the world,

One action by a section of the other heroes of the Revolution youth conference, however, marred the proceedings. A doc-When Fidel mounted the ument was circulated among the manence of the Revolution. tendencies participating in the Soon the masses responded with conference, as "agents of Yan-

Although these charges were ("Without the Quota, but With- delegation, this was done without Masters!"). Every few min- out the knowledge of many of

The accusations consisted of stock Stalinist slanders against Trotskyism, of the kind that were exploded long ago by the International Committee of Investigation into the Moscow Trials, headed by Professor John Dewey, and by Khrushchev's denunciations, at the Twentieth Congress of the Soviet Communist party in 1956, of Stalin's witchhunts and frame-ups.

Conforming to tested witchnunt techniques, the accusations facturer's agent who lived near a number of job categories from were not presented to the Congress for open discussion and vote, though several Trotskyist delegates from Latin America small parts for Chrysler cars. ler workers thousands of jobs. did take the floor to protest against the outrage.

### Trotskyists Offer Views

The representatives of various Latin American Trotskyist parties had, at an earlier session, distributed a folder to all delegates setting forth their views on a number of questions. For instance, they advocated the extension of the Castro government's program of nationalizations. They also called for the expulsion of American military forces from the Guantanamo naval base and for a struggle against native capitalism. These programmatic proposals, accordng to the Stalinist charges, were "left-wing phrases" designed to "provoke aggression by Yankee imperialism," vide the unity of Latin American youth" and "confuse and destroy the Congress."

The baselessness of these charges was dramatically demonstrated only two days later when Castro addressed a mass rally sponsored by the Youth Congress, in which he announced the nationalization of \$800 million dollars' worth of American holdings. In the same speech of the Cuban people that the U.S. government abandon its the decrease is due to automa- ney General's office said "from military base at Guantanamo.

On the closing days of the Youth Congress, Gerardo Figueras, chairman of the Cuban delegation and president of the Congress called for unity among all tendencies represented at the parley -

gle against imperialism.

The enemies of Cuba, how ish-language newspaper hostile tionalization. to Cuba and published in New York, printed on Aug. 8 an ac- and outdoor celebrations, tocount of the Stalinist denuncia- gether with a mock funeral protion with the obvious intent of cession in which the "bodies" of linking the Cuban government "Mr. and Mrs. Monopoly" were to the witch-hunting move. Ac- carried solemnly in caskets with

Buildings and vehicles were covered with banners declaring ever, are still seeking to exploit the support of every union, stuhe Stalinist attack on the Trot- dent, peasant, academic, and skyists. Thus La Prensa, a Span- professional organization for na-

We witnessed giant parades tually, the Stalinist attack was wreaths and flickering candles at total variance with the dem- to the harbor and there dumped ocratic and revolutionary spirit into the sea for permanent bumanifested by the Cuban peo- rial. The Trade-Union Confedple and the Cuban government. eration sponsored an entire National Jubilee Week during Our last impressions of Cuba which every worker took a pubwere of the unrestrained joy lic oath to defend the Revoluwith which the population tion to the last drop of his blood.

## The American Way of Life

### Grafting and Union-Busting

The former president of Chrysler Corp., William C. Newberg, resigned suddenly and mysteriously June 20. It has since turned out that he carried the spirit of private enterprise too far. He used his

In 1952 Ben Stone, a manular purposes.

On July 21 Newberg promin through those illicit deals.

vestigating the outside interests cal practices on the part of any of its director of marketing. It Chrysler executive.' is reported that engineering and purchasing department execuexposure.

There's another side to this corporate corruption in Chrysler which has been little nonoticed in the press. This is its connection with the unionbusting policies of the com-This was pointed out in a

chairman by Norman Matthews, siders like Newberg. head of the national Chrysler Dept. of the UAW. "Chrysler crusading Congressmen like Corporation employment of Kennedy who got in a lather hourly-rated employees has de- about racketeering in the unions creased in the last four and a haven't displayed the least exhalf years by more than 50 per citement about this big business cent - from 135,159 on Jan. 1, corruption linked with anti-Castro again voiced the demand 1956 to 67,415 on June 15, 1960. union practices.

ing work out to other companies, violation of a state statute." prompted in many instances not by the best interests of the Cor- did, it seems to them, was to poration and the workers but by engage in excessive "individual the opportunity of some com- initiative." including the Trotskyists - pany officials to benefit per-

position at Chrysler to channel sonally and substantially at the orders to supplier companies in expense of both the Corporation which he had financial interests. and the workers."

The UAW representative lists Newberg in the Detroit suburbs, trucking to tool-and-die work launched a company, Press which were farmed out to sup-Products, Inc., to manufacture plier companies and cost Chrys-Newberg got fifty per cent of He demanded that the comthe profits. He also took half pany investigate purchasing the profits of another corpora- policies, return jobs to Chrysler tion organized in 1955 for simi- plants, inform the union about malpractices of company officials and undertake "reimburseised to return "in excess of ment of lost wages and other \$450,000" which he had raked contractual benefits to all Chrysler workers who became unem-Crysler officials are also in- ployed because of these unethi-

Farming out orders to midget companies in unorganized small tives are eyeing one another to towns undermines the giant see who will be next in line for auto locals whose strength has rested in their concentrated numbers in union cities like Detroit and Flint, and in the militant traditions of their original organization drives. The company policy of slicing away at the union by cutting out jobs in these key places not only weakens unionism but brings "fringe etter to the present Chrysler benefits" to light-fingered in-

The commercial press and

"We recognize that some of In fact, the Michigan Attortion, but the inescapable fact the meager facts we have, we remains that a substantial pro- don't think a crime has been portion of it is due to contract- committed, nor was there a

All Newberg and the others

-Evelyn Sell

### In Other Lands

## Pravda Discusses Asia, Africa

### **Denies Socialism** Is the Issue There

The debate between the Soviet and Chinese Communists which has been going on for months has up to now revolved around the nature of imperialism and the possibility of a peaceful and even parliamentary transition to socialism. The controversy may now be extended to a third major issue: the attitude of Communists toward bourgeois forces and formations in the former colonial nations.

Prof. Y. M. Zhukov, Soviet specialist in Far Eastern affairs and an authoritative spokesman for official opinion, published long article in the Aug. 26 Pravda stating that Communists can and should subordinate the struggle for the overthrow of capitalism to the achievement of national independence and collaborate with 'progressive sections" of the national bourgeoisie to that end.

"For many lagging countries, where the main body of the population is peasant, for them the main task for a relatively long period will be that of struggle, not against capitalism, but against middle-century inheritance," Zhukov

development of their country cialism watch it with fear and

independence from any at-capitalism." tempts on the part of the imperialist powers," he continued. that time that the Asian and

'dogmatists and sectarians" those who expect any purely socialist revolution in Asian and African countries "that have not achieved economic independence." Such "forget that there doesn't exist a pure revolutionary process, hat in a national liberation movement the range of those Communist Party has circulated taking part is broader than in Socialist revolutions."

policy against critics on his left of the Chinese Communists as by asserting this "does not at "sectarian" and "dogmatic." all mean that transition to a The Chinese in turn have cornoncapitalist way of develop- rectly characterized Krushment is everywhere being postponed in the long view. It will come as soon as vital na-

The position set forth in Pravda accords with CP policy in Asia and Africa. It is timehonored Stalinist dogma. But it stands in sharp contrast with views expressed by Khrushchev on this very question in Peking on the tenth anniversary of the Chinese revolution last October. In a speech on that occasion he declared: "The heroic and industrious people of China, led by their glorious Communist Party, have shown "For such countries, long co- what' can be achieved by the operation is possible between people when they take power workers, peasantry, intelligent- into their own hands. . . . This -that part of the national nations to emulate it in order bourgeoisie that is interested to achieve the same great prog-

and that is ready to defend its apprehension for the fate of

Khrushchev's The Professor assailed as African peoples will find their true liberation from economic backwardness by imitating China's example and adopting socialist-type property forms directly controverts Pravda's position that it is necessary for Communists to cooperate for a long time with bourgeois elements.

a statement among its own members and foreign Commu-Zhukov sought to shield this nist parties attacking the views chev's line as "anti-Leninist."

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to Powers over the U-2 inci-

dent? Well, Mr. Eisenhower, how about the death sentences pronounced on the Rosenbergs and the cruel sentencing of Morton Sobell to Alcatraz?

Paul Dennis Los Angeles

### **Protests** Telecast On Cuba

The following is a copy of a letter of protest that I wrote Aug. 21 to the NBC-TV program, World-Wide 60.

Your special telecast on Cuba Saturday night, Aug. 20, at least had the decency not to claim impartiality. It would have been more honest, however, to admit State Department sponsorship.

My family returned from Cuba this month. Since my wife, Yolanda Moreno, understands Spanish well and my three children played freely with Cuban children, we had an unusual opportunity to sample Cuban life on all levels.

You achieved your effect by three lying techniques: first, share of the American people 'Do It Yourself' you presented the Cuban leaders and getting them to think for as ranting maniacs, but you themselves. were careful not to let the audience hear what they were saying. After all, there are 1,000,000 people who speak Spanish in the metropolitan area! Secondly you showed a Country few shots of the innumerable new houses built for the peasants and reported that the new occupants are "thunderstruck." What that meant was left unclear, but its effect was sinister. Finally, you are careful to conand economic life. Like the New | a nominating petition.

men like Carlos Oliveras, but ing door to door for pledges complexions.

the true picture of the victory face, glaring at me. of the little people on that beau-

Conrad J. Lynn New York

### Third Party Needed

Editor:

We need a third party, not a sent the common man.

The commercial press criticcommon man in Russia and with the lather drying on his this hoax? The trick is to keep China and praises all that is bad face, that he said: "Well, alright, for the common man. They I guess this is the least I can that at least some possible good don't need any help from the do. Put me down for the con- can come out of the Democratic-Militant.

I think you can perform a great service by removing the mental diapers from the great

> C. T. Fond du Lac, Wis.

## What This

She was born and raised in Nevers, a provincial town in France. In World War II, when

she was eighteen, she loved a German soldier

who wanted to marry and take her to Bavaria.

She was never to see Bavaria. He was killed

the last day of the Nazi Occupation. Her hair

was shorn by jeering "patriots." Her parents

were so ashamed that they hid her in a cellar.

Later, when her hair had grown back, they

sent her away to Paris where she heard about

not tell her husband about the love and suffer-

ing of her youth. Fourteen years after the

holocaust which killed 200,000 inhabitants of

Hiroshima in a few seconds, she visits the Japanese city, now rebuilt, as an actress in a

French film company shooting an international

anti-war picture on location. She meets a Japa-

nese architect active in politics - undoubtedly

a radical, perhaps a builder of the future, too.

They fall deeply in love with each other. They

have only 36 hours since the film unit is about

she can fully realize what happened in Hiro-

shima. But she tries hard. She is acutely aware

of the menace of atomic war. And she knows

about "the principle of inequality that certain

powers put forward against other powers, cer-

tain races against other races, certain classes

for the architect of Hiroshima and her love for

the German soldier blend into one. She tells

her Japanese lover about Nevers, about the

script says at the end, he is Hiroshima, she is

Jacques Prevert and some of his companions

attempted to create an imaginative motion pic-

ture that was to show man in the individual

relationship of love and the collective relation-

ship of (post-war) politics. A poetical view of

Reaching out beyond nationality, her love

We never learn her name, nor his. As the

Shortly after World War II the French poet

The Japanese architect does not believe

She got married and had children but did

Hiroshima and the end of the war.

to return to Europe.

against other classes."

German, about the cellar.

Nevers in France.

Negroes in Cuban governmental convention on Sept. 13 and sign hand and foot.

York Times, you rant against The other day, while canvass-

do not reveal that your true bias from registered voters to atagainst them are their black tend the Socialist Workers party neminating convention, I knock-Fortunately, a very busy ed on one door and could hear grapevine is working in behalf rapid, determined footsteps apof the Cuban revolution. And proaching. The door was viomany weekly publications are lently jerked open and an elderreaching the more alert, poli- ly man stood in his undershirt

"Well," he said brusquely and tiful island. Don't be too con- I knew I had to talk fast, figurfident of general support here ing this was the brushoff. I bewhen you begin your military gan, perhaps a bit nervously, 'I'm from the Socialist Workers party, and we are asking all our friends to help us get on the ballot." I was sharply interrupted with the following: 'Politics, politics! Damn your politics, what this country needs is more Castros!"

third head to the one party that I quickly told him I couldn't represents the small minority disagree with him too much, but Smith of Virginia. of the capitalists. We need a that Castro didn't just drop out party of the majority to repre- of the sky. He was the product Kennedy and Nixon begin their of previous political movements campaigning. Obviously neither I like the Militant because it and mass struggles in Cuba to party was serious about enactvoices the grievances of the unseat Batista and perhaps if ing progressive legislation. They common man better than the we struggled here to unseat the were only interested in make-Worker, which is still the tail politicians of the two capitalist that tries to wag the Democratic parties we too would produce our quota of "Castros."

Well, the upshot of it was, izes all that is good for the after ten minutes of dicussion, Nixon able to get away with 1962. vention."

Jack W. Seattle.

Editor:

A prominent labor leader says he thinks labor will vote Republican because "there is no other place to go."

Where is the ingenious, reman? Benjamin Franklin said, up his position. We decided grow by supporting the Social- try of the House witch-hunters. "if you want a job well done, that half a loaf is better than do it yourself." Isn't the Amer- none." ican workingman intelligent In order for a minority party enough to join hands with the to get on the ballot here in farmers and elect men who will Washington state, 100 registered pass the legislation they need? ceal the significant role played voters who did not vote in the The time to do this is now. by the now truly emancipated primaries must attend a special Don't wait until you are bound

Richland, N. Y.

## THE MILITANT

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 & 12, 1960

## **Do-Nothing Session**

(Continued from Page 1) fering medical care restricted to tically-aware Americans with with shaving lather all over his old folks on relief. This ended all hopes for adequate medical care for those over 65; the rest of the population wasn't even considered.

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The proposal to raise the legal minimum wage to \$1.25 was whittled down to \$1.15. Farm laborers, migratory workers, domestics and others are still not covered by this miserly standard.

School and housing bills were buried in the House Rules Committee, presided over by Rep.

This is the record with which the-record moves that could be used as debater's points against their opponents.

How are Kennedy and enough gullible people hoping Republican setup.

One "high-ranking Democrat", for example, excused the failure to get the housing and school aid bills out of fellow Democrat Smith's House Rules Committee as follows: "We were looking down the barrel of a a decision on whether to try defend the welfare of the workand get all the bills or risk get- ers against the employing class. ting none of them. Smith ap- This election provides an op-

working people didn't even get need most. A vote for our party Frank Wilkinson of Los An-"half a loaf" out of this special is a real protest against the geles is Field Representative. session.

The Democrats could not put over this hoax without the connivance of the labor leaders. Workers hear their union officials agree that they need and deserve a shorter work week, fleeced." free medical care, low-cost housing, equal rights, full employment. Then they are told by Militant on to a friend?

By Joyce Cowley

workers who were always on the

move. 'I don't even have an

address,' he said. 'I just go

Norman Smith was speaking.

last week he came into head-

last year."

[these same labor "statesmen" that their demands must be cut in half "because that is all we can realistically expect at this time.

Thus, even before being presented in bills to Congress, labor's demands are minimized. Then the Democratic and Republican Congressmen get to work chopping them up in earnest. In the end - as this special session shows - labor is lucky if it is thrown a few

### Same Lame Excuse

The excuse is always the same. "The reactionary Republicans combined with the Dixiecrats to defeat our liberal hopes." But the support given by the AFL-CIO general council to the Democrats can only prolong this state of affairs. A Democratic victory will keep the same Dixiecrat Congressmen in charge of the major committees during 1961 and

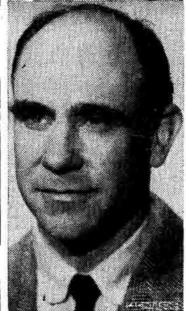
The working people have been so patient for so long a time that the Democratic and Republican spokesmen think they can be forever satisfied with promises of things that never come But a groundswell of protest is building up in this country against this gyp game.

This protest movement will ist Workers party.

Our party stands and fights tion. It is the best way the rank-

Why not pass this copy of the mittee to Defend the Bill of

Farm Workers



FRANK LOVELL, Socialist Workers party candidate for U.S. Senate in Michigan.

### Form Committee To Get Rid of Witch-Hunters

Mounting national interest in abolishing the principal House witch-hunting body has led to the formation of the National Committee to Abolish the Un-American Activities Committee. take the form of a political The Committee aims to coorshotgun. We were faced with party, a labor party, that will dinate the efforts of all individuals and organizations in a national campaign to promote public education, leading to sourceful American working parently has the votes to back portunity to help this protest political action, to rid the coun-

The Chairman is Aubrey Williams, President of the Southern The fact is, however, that the for all those things Americans Conference Educational Fund. fraud and hypocrisy of the National Committee members Democratic - Republican coali- include Harvey O'Connor, chair-

# Teachers Urge: End Un-American Committee Now

American teachers struck back hard at one of their worst enemies when they demanded immediate abolition of the House Un-American Activities Committee.

Meeting in convention at Dayton, Ohio, Aug. 15-19, the delegates of the American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO, voted to condemn the Committee for its persistent harassment of teachers, especially in California where its "rash of subpoenas and hearings" resulted during the coming school year. in irrevocable loss of dignity, reputation and jobs."

The leadership was instructed to present a resolution on the Committee's abolition to the next national AFL-CIO convention. The resolution, submitted

passed almost unanimously. This act was the most forthright evidence of the rising determination and selfconfidence of the unionized teachers of the country.

When Rep. Francis Walter, Democratic Chairman of the House Committee, wired the UFT in its fight for representaconvention demanding proof of tion and the newly elected Genthe union's charges, the incom- eral Council of the union is uning Executive Council was in- likely to reject it. structed to reply in full.

praised the Democratic party only from the prospect held out platform for its advanced civil by the New York election, but rights plank, was amended from by recent achievements of the the floor by a demand that Con- union. President Megel disgress implement the pledges of closed that in the last seven both parties at its current extra years, almost alone among the man of the Emergency Civil session. Richard Parrish, treas- AFL-CIO affiliates, the AFT inand-file worker, the Negro peo- Liberties Committee, Dr. Otto urer of the National Negro creased its membership by ple, the poor farmers can de- Nathan, chairman, Friends of Labor Council and a convention about fifty per cent. clare: "We're tired of being the Committee of First Amend- delegate, helped secure overment Defendants, Rev. William whelming support for this Baird, chairman, Chicago Com- amendment which was opposed by a core of lower-ranking De-

The delegates were greatly heartened by the victory of the New York City local (the United Federation of Teachers) in wresting a commitment from the Board of Education to hold a collective bargaining election The rank - and - file delegates well understood that the AFT's chances of becoming the decisive voice of the American teachers hung in the balance on the outcome of this New York election.

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This should have been made by the California AFT, was the central issue of the convention. But it was barely dramatized; no session or major address was devoted to it. The union leaders treated the issue in routine fashion and subordinated it to the chase after office. However, a request is being made for a \$50,000 loan to the

The confidence and enthusi-A resolution, which originally asm of the convention came, not

This was done despite the loss of several thousand members incurred when southern locals were expelled for refusing to desegregate. The appeal of this firm stand was shown in the large number of Negro delegates active at all levels of the union.

The convention confirmed previous impressions that unionization of teachers is on the move in the U.S.

### **New York Voters**

You must be registered to vote in the presidential election. If you did not vote in the 1958 your local polling place from

## Calendar Of Events

DETROIT

A SYMPOSIUM - "Which Party Deserves Labor's Support?" The Democratic party. says Paul Silver. The Socialist Workers party, says Frank Lovell. Friday, Sept. 9, 8 p.m. Eugene V. Debs Hall, 3737 Woodward. Auspices Friday Night Socialist Forum.

### CHICAGO Myra Tanner Weiss, Socialist

Workers candidate for vicepresident, speaks on "The Case for Socialism in 1960." Saturday, Sept. 10, 8:30 p.m. at 302 Canal St.

### NEW YORK "Labor's Stake in the 1960

Elections." Speaker, Tom Kerry, organizational secretary, Socialist Workers party. Friday, Sept. 16, 8 p.m. at 116 Univeradamantly refused union recog- sity Place. (Off Union Sq.) Con-Weiss Campaign Committee.

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Notes in the News

PROGRESS (?) REPORT - After a vacation at the beach, the editor of the monthly review of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia offered this report: "Suddenly, it seems, people are vitally interested in what is going on around them, in the bigger issues of our times. This is good. But momentarily, at least,

## it may be producing a mood of pessimism."

UNEMPLOYMENT RISES IN CANADA -The jobless rate usually declines in Canada in the summer time. But this year the mid-June to mid-July figures showed an increase of 11,000 unemployed for a total of 311,000. This was 83,000 higher than during the same period last

RAISIN IN THE SUN - The Negro members of the cast of the Broadway hit, "Raisin in the Sun," now in Hollywood to make the film version have found it extremely difficult to secure housing in the Los Angeles area. Sidney Poitier, star of the movie, said that a number of Hollywood people had offered the use of their homes. But, he added, "The show-business community is just a small portion of Southern California. The rest of the area yields only to time and to pressure. There is not one ounce

of altruism." Raisin in the Sun depicts the trials that beset a Negro family when it moves into a white neighborhood.

FETISH? - After the U-2 was shot down over the Soviet Union, President Eisenhower said such spy flights were necessary because the Russians have a secrecy "fetish." But Rep. John Moss (D-Calif.), chairman of the House Government Information subcommittee, reports that the "secret" documents amassed each week by the Defense Department would stack 1,173 There's a new feeling of hope a better orchard or field. feet high. That's 123 feet higher than the Empire in the valley. Many battles of State Building.

DATA ON JIM CROW IN PROFESSIONAL FIELDS - "The Negro population of the United States in 1950 was roughly ten per cent of the total. If Negroes had been trained in professional and technical categories in relation to their long-range plans, with the ac- of making individual protests, hours a day. On dangerous work total to the population, there would have been approximately 33,000 Negro auditors and ac- the Packinghouse Workers and tions, which ensued was the employed until they are much countants, not 960; 1,400 airplane pilots and the financial backing of the strike at the Podesta cherry older - eleven or twelve years 9238. navigators, not 60; 2,200 architects, not 180; AFL-CIO, whose 14,000,000 orchards. 52,000 technical engineers, not 1,620; 16,000 members are paying an assessphysicians and surgeons, not 3,360." - From ment of 2¢ a month. a letter to the Aug. 18 New York Times by Morris B. Abram, an Atlanta attorney. | dusty fields of the valley, where himself portrayed as a poor the area for many years, seek- 240. FEderal 2.7781.

## "Hiroshima, Mon Amour"

the Paris of 1945 was to be based upon a realistic look at social and political conditions. The result was "The Doors Of The Night" ("Les Portes de la Nuit").

What Prevert wished to do in "The Doors Of The Night" has been done in a more natural, opened an office here about a Every inch of land has been the estimated value of his crop ingly militant. Someone in the more convincing, more forceful and immediate year ago, and asked me how way by Marguerite Duras, the author of the we were going to organize spots, no wind-breaks, no trees very tall and the pickers have the intention of goading him a scenario and dialogue of "Hiroshima, Mon Amour," and by director-producer Alain Resnais. A story of what Hiroshima means, a story of war and of the frightening threat of atomic from town to town, looking for thing has been methodically plained, using a forty-foot laddestruction, of petty-bourgeois narrow-minded- work." ness and of understanding, a story about the ability to remember and the anguish of for- He is director of the current Row" area, looked as bleak as tree, and if you don't place it getting, the story of an encounter and the most drive to organize agricultural the valley. Here, early Monday just right and there is a little concluded that the conditions of Oct. 10 through Oct. 14 from intense and passionate love — "Hiroshima, Mon workers in northern California. morning, the contractors' trucks wind, the ladder will move, as farm workers could be im- 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. and on Amour" is all this. Yet it has the unity of a

poetic work of art. There is none of the sticky sentimentality town, I asked him. Now you men wandered the streets, stood nately broken by lower limbs on or the neurotic sex obsession of so many Holly- have to pick up rumors about wood productions. These lovers are no hypo- work, go to the U.S. Employcrites. They are not guilt-ridden. They are ma- ment office or to the contracture and far more intelligent than the lovers tors who work for the growers. in most American movies. And they are as How about having a hall where normal as the grimness of their past and the you can come and get the dangerously abnormal trend of our society straight facts on what work is allow them to be. When the girl was banished available, the rates and condito the dark cellar at Nevers, society seemed to tions? trample on her head, and she felt torment and

revolt. "Hiroshima, Mon Amour" caused a sensation in Europe. Even the critics in the American capitalist press have to admit it is a masterwork. Of course, the particular beauty of this motion picture would have been unthinkable quarters with another year's studied the cycle of the miwithout Resnais' tasteful direction and the two dues. 'I pick olives,' he said, grants, who start here in May fine actors who make the lovers come alive: Emmanuelle Riva and Eiji Okada. They have since you started working here. ther north in California, and superbly achieved identification with their parts. And Miss Riva has a most expressive out of it than the \$24 I paid ington to harvest late fall and face, not one of the stupid, painted Hollywoodstyle masks. The excellent photography in-

cludes stunning impressions of the fateful city. This Franco-Japanese co-production represents precisely those qualities which are sadly

lacking in the work of today's U.S. studios. leaders and organizers of the lems of the pickers. new agricultural workers' union which is springing up in the again' tackling the difficult prob-

### gratory workers. A New Hope

predominantly composed of mi-

In the past there have been the past were quick strike ac-

the temperature at this time of farmer destroyed by the union. Ing a solution to the problems

in groups at the corner, went in the trees. and out of dingy restaurants and

### Nine Offices

The Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee came to Stockton a year ago and opened up an office. Now they have "He thought it over. 'I'll buy set up offices in Modesto, Fresthat,' he said. I only suggested no, Sacramento, Marysville, Oxsix months, but he paid me \$24, nard, San Jose, Yuba City and a year's dues. I didn't see him Strathmore, as bases for prosagain for almost a year. Just pective locals in hundreds of agricultural centers. They first 'Olives have gone up 10c a box with cherries, then move fur-So I already made a lot more finally go to Oregon and Washearly winter crops Thousands We were sitting in the hot, of them return to the Porterbare hall rented for a nominal ville area in California for the amount from a friendly union. winter. They selected and I had joined a group organized trained twenty young organizers by Unitarians which drove down from the fields, men who unto Stockton to talk to strike derstood at first hand the prob-

The AWOC is consciously basing itself on the migrant rather orchards and fields. It is once than the man who has built a little shack at the outskirts of lem of building an organization town and uses it as a base, who feels that he has some stake in the community. He, too, wants when it comes to action he is a little more hesitant. Norman bitter and sometimes bloody Smith says that the true miconflicts on these fields, and grant spends about a third of every effort to organize farm his life on strike anyway, beworkers has been defeated. This cause, when he finds rates or

The ruined crop at the Podes- lower trees. ta ranch has been widely lam- We also heard from a Catholic We drove through the flat, ented in the press and Podesta priest who has been working in Book Store, 704 Hennepin Ave., Hall

year is about 110 in the shade, He happens to own the world's of farm laborers. The answers "A fellow came in when we except that there is no shade. most valuable cherry trees, and he has arrived at are surprisplanted. There are no green is \$200,000 a year. His trees are group asked him, obviously with except for the cherry, pear and to use a forty-foot ladder. As bit, if he had attempted to teach peach orchards laid out with Billy - one of the young or- some Christianity to the mechanical precision. Every- ganizers from the fields — ex- growers. geared to maximum production. der is tricky. The only support arrived in Stockton, he had general election, or if you are a Stockton itself, in the "Skid for the ladder is the limb of a tried to talk to the growers but first voter, you can register at "Wouldn't you like some place would pick up workers to take Billy himself learned through proved only by an organization

> Podesta workers wanted a premium rate for these tall trees and Podesta refused. When the pickers struck his ranch he hired strikebreakers, but they didn't know how to pick on forty-foot ladders. As a result the crop was lost and many valuable trees were damaged. Now this unfortunate man is suing the union because he was forced to hire amateurs who wrecked his trees. (Not all the strikebreakers injured the trees. Some just filled up a bucket or two and walked off

with the buckets). An important victory was won when Secretary of Labor Mitchell ruled against the use of imported Mexican laborers as strikebreakers in the orchards. Now the Mexican government has also taken a stand against the use of its nationals to break strikes. There is every indication that the ranchers will make an allout court fight against these

After Norman Smith told us about the general problems involved in organizing migrants, Billy talked to us about working nition and the biggest fight lies trib. 50 cents. Ausp. Dobbsconditions in the fields and orto improve his conditions, but cards. A young fellow who looked about twenty-two, he started out by saying: "I've been picking all my life.'

### Start at Early Age

This statement may seem year the initial struggles of the conditions unsatisfactory, he humorous, but pickers start on pickers have met with success. walks off the job and looks for casy crops like beans, he explained, at about five years of This spring, as the men age. They labor in the fields walked off the job in twos and the same hours as the rest of the tions sparked by immediate threes, an organizer drove after family. Short hours here in grievances which had become them and offered them a ride California, Billy said, because unbearable. This time the or- back to town, suggesting on the the heat is so intense, but in ganizing committee is working way that they should get smart Oregon and Washington they slowly on carefully thought-out, and walk off together, instead frequently put in ten to twelve tive support of other unions like One of the first successful ac- like cherries, children are not of age, and then only on the

## He replied that, when he first he didn't get

very far. He had to come to when you get into them to the fields. On Sunday, five falls, all of them fortu- of the workers themselves and by committees of workers negotiating with the growers. "The growers need to get

hurt first," he said, "they need a hard blow. Then they are much more willing to negotiate."

This year strikes at cherry, pear and peach orchards have brought a substantial increase in rates, although DiGiorgio, one of the world's largest fruit growers, has characterized as "utterly false" the claim of union victory in the strike. Vice-President Bruce W. Sanborn stated that the company raised wages "as part of our regular efforts to bring in as many qualified agricultural workers as we could to harvest our crops, not because of picket

### Hard Fight Ahead The pickets now manning the

lines at seven ranches in the San Joaquin and Sacramento Valleys know that the regular efforts of DiGiorgio and other growers never before brought an increase in wages. What's new in the picture is the union. But so far the growers have

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