NEW YORK — A mass rally will be held at City Hall Park on Thursday, Dec. 21, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. to protest police brutality against antiwar demonstrators. The action has been called by the Fifth Avenue Vietnam Peace Parade Committee and will be held on Thursday, Dec. 21, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Every opponent of the war and supporter of civil liberties in the New York area is urged to attend.

The purpose of the protest action was made by a special meeting of the Administrative Committee of the Parade Committee in a special meeting held at the conclusion of Stop the Draft Week last week of demonstrations against the draft, the city administration and the police. The committeeadesh of the police and to block mass demonstrations in front of the city administration building — at Wall Street. The police used violence against the demonstrators and arrested hundreds for no good reason.

Attempts to curtail the rights of antiwar protesters were initiated in Nov. 14 when the Parade Committee called for a massive demonstration at the State Capitol at Wall Street when a large crowd of people were arrested. The arrest was in connection with the demonstration and against the police actions.

DEADLY BLACKJACK. Plainclothes cops, who had infiltrated antiwar demonstrations in New York, went into action when unwarinen antiwar police attacked peaceful protesters. Here two of them attack and choke Vietnam veteran who joined the demonstration. Vietnam veterans were beaten and arrested. Arrow points to lethal blackjack in cop's hand.

where. This limiting of the size of a demonstration is a clear violation of the constitutional right of free assembly.

It was made clear that the action of the police at the Hilton was not an isolated incident when the same thing was done at Whitehall Street during Stop the Draft Week. Despite a clear-cut promise by Lindsey to demonstration organizers, protesters were again headed into pens and the number permitted to gather in front of the Whitehall Street center severely limited.

The Parade Committee has compiled photographic and other documentary evidence of police brutality and other violations of the Bill of Rights. This will be placed before the Mayor by a delegation representing the participants in the mass rally.

Paris Rally Hears Carmichael

PARIS — Over 5,000 people demonstrated in support of Hanoi in Paris on Dec. 6 to protest the recent attack on Hanoi. The demonstration was held in solidarity with the National Vietnam Committee, which called for a Guevara Week in Vietnam.

The rally was organized by the Union of Vietnamese Students in France and the Union of Vietnamese Workers.

A large banner was displayed: "Death to the American Imperialists." The demonstrators were chanting slogans against the war and demanding the withdrawal of all American forces from Vietnam.

Photo by Shannon

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AT CITY HALL, Dr. Benjamin Spock being interviewed by newsmen after leading delegation on Dec. 7 to Mayor Lindsay's office to protest police repression of demonstrators. At right is Fred Halsted, Socialist Workers Party candidate for President.
The national Prime Sucker-Bait

The McCarthy Campaign

By Harry Ring

Some opponents of the Vietnam war assert that support to Senator Eugene McCarthy proves that the Democratic presidential nomination is now in the air against the war. They couldn't be more wrong. What it will strengthen is McCarthy's image as a liberal and capitalist politics in general. To the Kennedys and Johnson, the mavericks are sacked into supporting McCarthy against their will. The New York Times was quick to adopt McCarthy's candidate. In a Dec. 1 article: "The decision of Senator Eugene McCarthy to challenge Johnson in the Democratic presidential primaries now enforces the need for a clear administration's policy in Vietnam to find political expression for their convictions. Energies that might otherwise be dissipated in meaningless political parodies can now be used constructively in politics."

This was not only a Times exclusive. In a Nov. 21 statement on Noreen, McCarthy cited his earlier statement: "The News, this editorial declared, "is a significantly impressive figure." Perhaps almost as significant of the poll from which it is derived as the majority of Americans never heard of McCarthy. However, the Worker apparently anticipated this. It assures: "There is a reason that this point for McCarthy will rise greatly as he moves on the country and makes himself known."

Helps 'Peace Forces'

McCarthy also stated that he would try to get the voice of the Communist Party was silenced. He would try to break the image that McCarthy was not a politician. He gave the example of the Vietnam war. So, if you listen to the capitalist parties when they have significant political parties or other irregular [1] political movements, the Workers' Party, for example, is not in my view, he added, "any great threat to the future of the Democratic Party..."

CP Emphasis

The belief that McCarthy's bid would be a real threat to the downing peace forces into the Democratic Party is shared by those on the left who favor such a perspective. For example, the Communist Party's candidate was seen as a real promoter of pro-Democratic Party policies. He is supposed to be interested in the CP's interests. "Farley opens Antiwar Election Campaign," declared a Dec. 10, 1966 Times article: "A group of concerned members of the Communist Party have launched their drive..." The report went on to say that the group was gathering to launch a "campaign" for the McCarthy candidacy. "We are not only concerned with McCarthy and other speakers on war and peace, but..." This is why the CP is in the campaign..." "A speech by..."

An equally enthusiastic editor in the same issue, headlined "A Bang-Up Beginning," opens with the glad tidings that 21.26 percent of those Democrats who expressed an opinion in a Harris poll want McCarthy as their candidate. This, the editorial declared, "is a significantly impressive figure." Perhaps almost as significant of the poll from which it is derived as the majority of Americans never heard of McCarthy. However, the Worker apparently anticipated this. It assures: "There is a reason that this point for McCarthy will rise greatly as he moves on the country and makes himself known."

Chicago Teachers in Job Actions

CHICAGO — The recent teacher's work stoppages in the Chicago high school system, which have been called striker's walkouts or strikes, were precipitated by a rejection of the method in which the board of education had met its deficit. The actions were called by the Concerned Full-Time Teachers, Substitutes or FTBs.

Both actions, one in November and the other Dec. 6 and 7, were very effective in terms of number of students in the schools, which hit the first action over 1,200,000 students and the second, anywhere from 2,500 to 6,000 students.

The objective was to pressure the Chicago Board of Education to bargain in good faith. At present, to become certified, it's necessary to have at least a high school degree and pass all a written and practical test. The standards seem to be quite high. The FTBs want this changed so that the requirements for certification are as clear as those for a bachelor's degree plus two years of satisfactory teaching experience. Also, the FTBs hope to pressure the American Federation of Teachers to bargain more vigorously in their behalf.

The railroad corporations and the CIO initiative to raise railroad retirement and unemployment benefits, to not have been recognized since 1939. The concessions will affect 1.5 million persons and will be worth approximately $100 per year. The railroad social security pension raises will be before Congress. The unions will now go before Congress to push for an amendment to the social security law, or necessity before any increases can take effect...

...Here are some of the "highlights" from the ongoing AFL-CIO convention at Bali Harbour, Florida...

...In his hectoring voice, George Meany is quoted as having said that the "overwhelming fact of life" is that "and must be the primary concern of the AFL-CIO" on the Vietnamese war. It is the first time in more than two decades that the AFL-CIO has shown any concern. The war has been the primary concern of the AFL-CIO trade unions in South Vietnam.

Meany's assertion that there is a "free trade union movement in South Vietnam" is an assertion that the Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO) is the primary concern of the AFL-CIO's view of the Vietnamese war. In the strikes in South Vietnam, there is a statute on the books that guarantees workers the right to strike out and shut down the factories.

On Dec. 6, President John F. Kennedy spoke before the Business Council, appealing for both labor and military assistance for the United States. According to Damon Stet- ton, special correspondent to the New York Times, the President's last "whip" on the unions, was given at the convention. The report says these fatted calves who "lead" the American labor movement are supposed to interest to press for wages increases during the war, but is close to win out over any other law or better than those won by the American Federation of Labor (1968 promises to be an interesting year indeed, with contract negotiations and/or strikes in key industries such as steel, aluminum, aerospace, the New York transit strike. The unions' strategy is to ground the shore on both the East and Gulf Coasts, and coal mining. (A factor in the AFL-CIO convention's seeming militancy is the fact that the airline workers are not "reasonably" competing with the teamsters, who unilaterally contract-terminals were rejected by the union negotiators, "Go back and get us some more." (On business's side the dead ear was already turned to Johnson before he made his plea. U.S. Steel had announced a $3 a ton increase in the price for seamless steel. The largest steel corporation's example was followed swiftly by the rest of the industry. As of right now, steel industry economists estimate that this will be worth between 1% and 2% of the price of steel..."

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REPORT FROM THE UNDERGROUND

Che’s Name Resounds in Bolivia

The following interview was granted by a member of the Partido Obrero Revolucionario (Revolutionary Workers’ Party) to World Outlook in the Bolivian capital of Sucre on November 16. The interview is in translation from a Bolivian newspaper by World Outlook, an international labor press.

Question: Have any actions been carried out in Bolivia to demand Che’s release from Cuba since his death? Answer: Yes, demonstrations have occurred in almost all the universities — La Paz, Oruro, Santa Cruz, Melipilla, El Alto, and Sucre — in symbolic acts, rallies, demonstrations, etc. A very interesting event occurred in Oruro, when a group of workers and students dispersed in the streets, chanting "Long live Che!" and "Long live the National Liberation Front!" The international press tried to discount this protest, by treating it as a spontaneous outburst.

In the mines, meetings have been held to discuss the possibility of releasing Che. The guerrillas was voted for; but, as can be understood, for the more bombastic and heroic occasion could not prevent public demonstrations in tribute to Che.

Q: Have the guerrillas been de- feated in their attacks? A: No. Naturally the death of Che and many of his comrades constitutes a stiff blow, but it is by no means an indication that they will abandon the struggle. The guerrillas had a considerable lead in the country at the time Che was killed; in addition, they are subjected to ferocious repression. Recently a battalion of Moncada was disarmed when a soldier who was ordered to fire on people refused to fire and was killed by his own officer. The rising was put down by a brutal counterattack of the army. In the town of San Juan, where soldiers, stiff with cold, had no food in their hands, a group fought a battle in which they were defeated by the superior forces of the encirclement. The other day, as a platoon was returning from the town of Calinca (135 miles away), another group of guerrillas took a town, seized supplies, and took rations, and then retreated. This happened along the road where a group always carried on, and more than 300 Indians were killed in the road as the death of Che.

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In Sucre, for example, a 65-year-old woman, the mother of one of theguerrillas, was killed by the army already living under very diffi-
cult circumstances, was taken by the police as a hostage to try to get her son to return to the armed struggle. Even though union activists face dismissal if he is so much as accused of having ties with the guerrillas, and often it means imprisonment.

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dition, that he is dismissed from his job and usually is not allowed to return to the town. In the government districts, the ar-
my has invaded homes and claimed that the things they found there were the money provided by the guerrillas, thus entitling them to take the homes and house hold goods.

The police detained a miner in Huainavi, a mining dis-

tric, and treated him so brutally that he died and was buried by his colleagues in the mining district.

Q: What is the attitude of the anti-Castro government toward the guerrillas? A: As far as the Bolivian government is concerned that they are constantly trying to attack the guerrillas and, in addition, are subjected to ferocious repression. Recently a battalion of Moncada was disarmed when a soldier who was ordered to fire on people refused to fire and was killed by his own officer. The rising was put down by a brutal counterattack of the army. In the town of San Juan, where soldiers, stiff with cold, had no food in their hands, a group fought a battle in which they were defeated by the superior forces of the encirclement. The other day, as a platoon was returning from the town of Calinca (135 miles away), another group of guerrillas took a town, seized supplies, and took rations, and then retreated. This happened along the road where a group always carried on, and more than 300 Indians were killed in the road as the death of Che.

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Che Guevara Speaks

Che has always been a symbol for the world’s poor and the underdeveloped. He was a hero to the millions of people who are struggling against poverty and exploitation. His death has left a void in the world’s struggle for liberation.

Bolivia CP Taps Denigrate Role of Guerrilla Movement

The Dec. 8 issue of World Out look contained a presidential decla-
ration that the guerrilla movement in Bolivia has "suffered a severe set back" in a television interview with Jorge Kolke, a member of the Secretariat of the Bolivian Communist Party, which first appeared in the Chilean daily El Mercurio.

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Xmas Donations Urged For Latin Prisoners

The United States Committee for the Latin American Political Prisoners (USLA Justice Committee) has launched a drive to raise funds for "Christmas and after" for the political prisoners in Peru and Mexico.

Under the headline "The New Year Appeal," the U.S. Committee is asking: Help Them for Christmas ... Will You Help Them for the New Year? The appeal is being made this week in the New York area. Support for the prisoners is a ranging fund-raising parties for the holiday season and collections are being taken at various meetings. One supporter in Boston has pledged $53 a month to Hugo Blanco, the imprisoned Peruvian Freedom fighter.

Donations for the prisoners should be sent to the U.S.L.A. Justice Committee, Box 3293, New York, N.Y. 10001.
The Meat Scandal

By Les Evans

The daily press has been baying the House-Senate agreement on a bill for a $38 million victory for the consumer. Unfortun- ately, the reality is that this is not the case.

The dangers lurk for even the most careful consumer:
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"What's wrong with that?" he asked, "meat processors and hogs in the big cities of New York, Chicago,

Worst Meat Put Aside For Sale in Ghettos

If the condition of meat sold in New York is any indication, the much worse situation in ghettos.

In New York, the Senate subcommittee (New- hust) was shopping in a Har- monia market and actually spotted the New York Post reported Nov. 25 that Reid found one of the 19 million cattle slaugh- tered by meat packers each year, more than 10 million head on sale in any one year, in any one of the 37 states of the nation where there is no local government.

Their total volume in tons of meat is not even 1% of the total meat in the nation's meat packing industry.

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"One lobbyist, Abel Davis of the American Meat Institute, hovered near the office of Sen. Joseph Montoya (D-N.Mex.)..."

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3 Years To Go

The Monroy compromise (which "reducer" Mondale ended up supporting) allows the states two years to bring their inspec- tion up to national standards, with a third "year of grace" extending the deadline another two years. There is no provision for the enforcement of federal stan- dards even at the end of the third year.

The provisions with any teeth were those allowing a state governor voluntarily to bring in state inspection, only state under federal inspection before the two years are up, and the packers of Agriculture to take over a plant if it were found dangerous (but they are not allowed to regularly in- spect state plans to verify this).

But the final House-Senate ver- sion that will soon be passed into law contains one further com-promise: the provision allowing state governors to call in federal inspectors was dropped.

Senator Smith of Iowa lamented in Congress Nov. 29 that the final law would leave "2 or 3 more years of putting chopped eyebrows, hides, and all kinds of other things in the meat." Actual- ly, only the federal inspection is common- timistic. Even the New York Times, which was at first ecstatic over the "victory for the consum- er" to take a second look. They said on Dec. 10 that the new law's "provisions for higher federal inspection will be of scant benefit unless Secretary of Agriculture acts up to a "sharp fund" and makes a serious effort before an expanded inspection process.

It will be a considerable num- ber of years before any changes are made, if ever. In the mean- time we will eat what the meat packers have been sending in Congress put in front of us.

RAT: Finds a fine home in many slaughterhouses and meat pre- processing plants.
At Whitewall. Fred Halstead, Socialist Workers Party candidate for President, with sign, joins antiwar demonstrations in New York.

Photo by Observer

N.Y. Cops Attack Draft Protesters

(Continued from Page 1) was more a display of bravado, while peacefully picketing, than anything else. The demonstrators moved along, meeting with a hearten-

ingly friendly response from passers-by. At least a dozen indi-

viduals, including the chief leaders of the demonstration, were forced to employ the water cannon to keep the lawn from getting too crowded.

The cops one afternoon prevented the demonstration from going to the Times Square recruiting station, forcing it to march to the Lincoln Memorial instead.

The cops surrounded the marchers and chased them, but the march was made up of a large and enthusiastic group. The marchers could not be held back. The demonstration was an expression of the exasperation of the demonstrators.

At 11 a.m. on Friday, the marchers marched down the street, singing songs and shouting slogans. The police, however, continued to harry them, setting off tear gas and spraying water. The marchers were eventually forced to march in the rain, under the protection of the police.
Letters From Our Readers

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Appeal from SNCC
New York, N.Y.
The struggle for the liberation of black people and other oppressed minorities in this country and throughout the world is beginning to come to the United States power structure has been unsuccessful in yielding to the demands of its black population and their allies.

It has chosen to create scapegoats—to shift the burden of responsibility to other mythologies of evil.

In this important era, SNCC has intensified its efforts to give political direction to the resistance against police brutality against those fighting the degrading, social, economic, and psychological oppression victims of society.

SNCC officially declared itself a Human Rights Organization in May, 1967. As a human organization "technologically" composed of Americans. We have a moral obligation to the worldwide struggle for human rights. We do not take up arms against the state to stand against violations of these rights by the American government.

Realizing that oppressed peoples can be effective only by winning the support of the world's common bonds, SNCC has established an office of National Affairs in New York City, in order to expand our already considerable movements around the world. In call for a boycott of August 27, 1967, we intensified our work to build concrete support specifically for the African liberation movement.

You may know that our brother in South Africa, South Africa, South Africa, South Africa, and the United Nations have launched an armed revolution struggle against the policies of the three major governments on behalf of the white South African population. In order to protect investments such as those of General Motors and the Chase Manhattan Bank.

Our continued growth as a human organization has resulted in demands that we encourage young people to develop our political consciousness and in that light of the three major governments to develop our own communities here and to aid in the industrial development of the independent African nations. This is an important step for us to develop students to self-organize, upon which true liberation can be built.

To this end, we are encouraging young people to attend the MLK anniversary schools, a concept with which you may not be familiar. If you are familiar with the 1964 Mississippi Summer Project.

The political solutions to problems of African liberation can be found only in the mind and heart of African people. This is not the case with the African people. This is not the case with the African people. This is not the case with the African people. This is not the case with the African people. This is not the case with the African people. This is not the case with the African people. This is not the case with the African people. This is not the case with the African people.

Your support is needed to continue the struggle in the United States.

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Chicago, Ill.
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Best all the good work.
Malcolm X liked your paper, I like Malcolm X, therefore I like your paper too.

E.W.

To End Exploitation
New York, N.Y.
While people are struggling to death, hopeless, drowned in disease and starvation, there is another inevitable products of the exploitation of the working class. All-out combat till the end is necessary to end the exploitation.

Your struggle, through the repudiating of a "free world," commit not only themselves to the struggle against the exploitation of man by man, but also against the exploited and oppressed in their own boom as policemen of suppression.

Goldwater, an already known spokesperson for the antipeople's struggle throughout the world, has admitted that over 40 such treaties of suppression exist.

Every decent will see the consequences very clearly: all those who are against this, and those who will soon be, know the future that confronts us. First one doubt that the exploiting class by the plans of the exploiters to suppress people's struggles for change over itself as a result of being born into a system which is clearly being the representative for a society that is not to be gone.

There is little doubt that the people of this country have nothing to lose and everything to gain or lose. But the people are not going to be intimidated and discouraged, and there is no way of them crossing over an ever grave. And they are not circles, they are not leaders.

Many people, who long ago, we believed brother Che Guevara, feel noble human liberation at the point of American slavery in order to avoid human misery and are working hard in the struggle against all sections of the exploiters to maintain exploitation.

All the progress in science and technology can end the whole reality of exploitation until the struggle ends. The Militant knows this and teaches it to all those willing and ready to learn.

J.O.

Defends Landlords, Cops
Copiague, N.Y.
In writing about the black uprisings that have taken place in the United States, I believe The Militant is making serious mistakes.

I am not speaking of the "rent-gouging landlords" and white merchants who wash their hands of this. This is not the truth.

The fact is that all the store owners who had their windows broken and stores looted are not running the business by themselves or with some help from the police. With all the competition from to many other store owners that are trying to make a living if they are lucky enough.

I understand and sympathize with the renters and looters. But they are hurting the wrong people, not the landlords, or the police, or the capitalist minority ruling over every one of us.

Like Ear-Stretching. For Instance—"Ask how she felt for the first time after she married House since her marriage, Lucy knew she was not a success. She had missed certain "cultural aspects" of life with father.

Like That Magical Old Era— Partis authorities evoked a storm of protest for selling out the trust of the city's citizens. Paraliele were particularly effective in demonstrating to their oldest bridge twining with the long and low Cola. "A storm in a tea cup," snarked Paletti's Editorialist who made the comparison of a sort of fancy laughter," he added.

How the Loyalist —The American连载 of Seagram's had its California license suspended for a series of legal violations. The corpora- tion of at least 808 cases of liquor from Nevada by private car to escape state taxes. The license was suspended for 180 days, but apparently having sucked up the Yule spirit, the Alcoholic Bever- age Commission voted to extend it to 60 days, and ruled that the suspension be in effect until February as to not interfere with the seasonal rush. While the loyalists who had their sentences reduced and reprieved, were ruled.

Note to Mayor Lindsay— While Lindsay's cops were massed at the Garment District, New York, a waltz of the国民党's and its promoter to protest the presence of Deem Russ, gutter walked in a party line, and walked out with $100,000 in diamonds.

Gift Boggess (President of the CIO) Sealed the famous idea of the Chamber of Commerce. According to the New York, Record of Books, the club offers students "briefing ideas" for research papers, monographs, etc. Subscribers agree to purchase a "seating idea" for $4 to $12.75 a month, de- pending on the place of their pleat for the poor of people creates antiism so that the poor of people creates antiism. Thus you hurt the cause for socialism instead of furthering it, which should be your primary purpose.

D.A.

(I [iaiigai without saying that we disagree with almost every point raised in the above letter. We in- vite comments from other readers on this question. EDITOR)

Really Interested
Florence, S.C.
I received and read two sample copies of The Militant No. 29 and was really interested. I've been a member of the AFL-CIO for about a year now and was waiting for my little thing to do. 

Finally — I found it — and I'm very interested. The Militant where I can jump into union and Black Liber- tion. Free job filling my gap.
I am very much interested in receiving The Militant till the "struggle" has ended.

W.C.

Thought for the Week
"The rise of anti-American feeling [in Saigon], first noticeable on the political left, was extended to the right in the right..." Our new President, Mr. Johnson, has said the United States has no business asking 18-year-old Vietnamese to die in a war in Vietnam. We need to be more profound in the realization that to grasp this capital is better illustrated by the thousands of pro- tectors who are recognized among the thousands of heroes, the cripples, beggars and homeless children..." Report to the Dec. 10 New York Times.

It Was Reported in the Press

Like Nature's Own — The Food and Drug Administration filed suit against Rinehiller's, charging that the "no available carbohydrates" claims for its new Cabbage's is false and misleading in its suggestion that the beer is of value in weight control. Meanwhile, the manufacturers of Diet Beer, a rival brew, filed suit for unfair practices, charging that Rinehiller's had reduced carbonhydrates by changing the solids-to-water ratio in favor of water. But at least should bolster the contention that Cabbage's is biological.

Dig That Stinky Draft Card! — If it is a houseprice, a poster rate bill, a copy of a phone bill, be able to tell the postcard not to forward me, and a "sexually provocative." That's what's happening nowadays with the small phone bill to a draft notice.

-Harry Bing

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A "Radical" Attack on Cuba

By Barry Sheppard

The principal Maoist grouping in the U.S., the Progressive Labor Party, has opened a broadside attack upon the leadership of the Cuban Revolution.

The PLP has published the first issue of a new magazine called Los Pioneros, devoted to world revolution, featuring an article titled "Marxism-Leninism and the Cuban Revolution," which is a reprint of a statement by the Maoist grouping in Chile, attack- ing the Cuban movement of the Revolutionary Left (MIR). The PLP attack is an attempt to exploit the result of the regroupment of revolu- tionary forces going on throughout the world in the wake of the Cuban Revolution. It in- cludes militants with various back- grounds - Communist, Socialist, and Trotskyist - who are for- ming an organization with the goal of carrying out the socialist revol- ution in Chile. What's wrong with the MIR (in addition to containing "Trotsky- lieks," of course), the Maoists as-sert, is that it "numbers itself among the non-official representatives of the Cuban line." The ar- ticle goes on to explain the assert- ed evils of the "Cuban line" in a series of falsehoods and slanders. Like "Cuban leaders," it charges, have expelled "to the pressures of the imperialists" ("Sino-Cubans") who sup- posedly did this during the missile crisis. The Maoists claim that Castro blocked the formula of "UN in- spectors of Cuba," which Khrush- chev allegedly agreed to (although Khrushchev never agreed). The Cubans have also imposed "an opportunistic line for Latin America," using the Organization of Latin American Solidarity (OLAS) as the "center for Latin American revolutionism," the Chil- enian newspaper, El Mitero. The article hints that capitalism is on the way back in Cuba: "The A radical attempt to attack Cuba's culture. In the first place, the Cu- ban leaders have not "proclaimed socialism all at once," but have followed the correct Leninist polit- ical line of small farmers, while limiting their holdings, preventing them from selling their land ex- cept to the state, and providing for the gradual take-over by the state of the small farms, in accord- ance with the desires of the farm- ers. The limitation on the size of the small holdings in effect pre-cludes any large-scale "exploita- tion" of hired labor.

Second, most people on the Left know that the Cuban land reform was expropriated off of the large landholdings. State farms are the back- bone of Cuban agriculture, and represent the decisive sector of it. (One need hardly add it must be difficult for the Cuban bourgeoisie to run the "appara- tus" in Cuba.)

The attack is picked up again in the Nov.-Dec. issue of Progres- sive Labor, in an article by PLP national committee member Jake Rebo. They denounce the Cuban "Debris from Regis Debris." Re- bo attacks Debray's book, Revolu- tion in the Revolution, but his real target is the Cuban leader- ship. "Counter-revolutionary ideology comes from the CHI of the American bourgeoisie" was a core of Debray's "Debris from Regis Debray.""

For Castro to carry out his coun- try's revolutionary duty, Rebo as- says, he had no need of a theore- ter, only of a pragmatist. "We have no theoretical work to oppose to Mao," he explains. So, they com- mitted Debray to write a book, whose "mission" is: "1) to deny Mao's theories any general valid- ity; 2) to publicize the theories of form socialism current in Cuba; 3) to publish Debray as the historical status equal to Marx and Lenin and a contemporary status greater than Mao's..."

There are many things wrong with Debray's book (see Sept.-Oct. 1967, International Socialist Review) but the new, united Cuban Commun- ism, "with no inner life, no real activities, which actually debates theoretical questions," is a genuine example of the new, united Chilean party in 10 years! And the PLP itself has had one na- tional committee meeting in 1963, and an entire organization, as one can see, in the good graces of P.L.P.

Fidel Castro petty-bourgeois class origins of the MIR leadership, and to a great extent its "super militants," explain its devotion to the Cuban leaders, its line and methods. In Cuba, all the struggles of the Left revolve around the Khrushchev-Shah type group of "MIR apologists" be- cause Cuba proclaimed socialism by decree," all at once. [1] "These people," the article con- tinue, "are not interested in objec- tively analyzing what kind of so- cialism has been instituted there. They do not seem to take notice that the greatest part of Cuba's land is in the hands of small own- ers who exploit the manual labor of others, that capitalist, not so- cialist, forms of agricultural pro- duction have developed, that the bourgeoisie has not been relieved of its positions of leadership in the bureaucratic apparatus and the cultural institutions but that, on the contrary, the bourgeoisie is becoming more secure and gaining new positions of power.

The mendacity of this analysis is on the way back in Cuba: "The three Afro-American members of the Harvard football team came out in support of the boycott by black students to protest com- plications in a letter to the Dec. 10, 1967, Boston Globe. They said they saluted "the courage of those who choose to stake their reputations on principle rather than ath- letic contests."

St. Peters burg, Fla., is carrying on a campaign to clean up the black community. But the cam- paign isn't sponsored by the San- itation Department and its purpose is not to make the ghetto area more sanitary. "Police Chief Harold Smith is running for re-election. His goal is to get rid of any "am- munition" such as empty soft drink bottles, bricks, and other debas that might be used by black people to defend themselves against cops. The "ammunition" pickup is a screwwork operation," "This way," explains Smith, "there won't be a buildup of debas in alleys and between buildings that could potential weapons to be used against cops."

According to the Nov. 16 Los Angeles Times, a dispute has been- ing between the Black Student Union and the City College and the campus newspaper. The black students have insisted, among other things, that their paper cease referring to black people as "niggers." One of the results of the dispute has been an agreement whereby the campus newspaper will use the word "black" instead of "Ne- gro" to refer to the Black Student Union. Other black students on campus will be polled to "determine their preference." The Black Student Union at Los Angeles City College is one of the 14 black student unions in the U.S. network that have united into a larger body called the Black Student Alliance. In a Nov. 17 statement to the United Nations, James Forman, International Affairs Director for SNCC, underscored the fact that little-known facts concerning U.S. support for Southern segregation. For example, almost half of these is the U.S. subsidy of Southern African sugar. Forman maintained that in 1960 President Eisenhower cut the sugar quota with South Africa. This was a repudiation against the revolu- tionary policies of the Cuban gov- ernment. Part of this quota was then given to South Africa. The African Sugar Association is about 7 cents per pound of sugar and 7 cents per pound on the world market.

Forman charged that "in grant- ing a quota to South Africa the govern- ment was in the control of the white racists oppressing the ma- jority will of the African people and blocking their efforts to elim- inate racism and apartheid and to have self-determination."

Two professors at Wayne State University in Detroit who were part of last summer's rebellion in Detroit was a demonstration of sentiment for black control of the black community. They reached this conclusion after making a study of the revolt based on interviews with African-American students in the ages of 15 and 30. Seventy percent of those interviewed said they had been on the streets dur- ing the disturbances. Eighty percent said they had taken part.

"I think we came up with some- thing that people who have been hesitat- ing to look at these issues have looked over," said Dr. Lewis Brizzee, a Wayne State University professor who made the study. "Certainly Negroes want jobs, education and respect for their culture. In that, they want to control the press in their own neighborhoods... They're looking at the social changes they want and they want it to belong to them, to be under their own-..."
Navy Getting Jittery Over Peace Activists

U.S. military brass are becoming frightened by the growing spread of anti-war sentiment among servicemen. They are attempting to use the recent desertion of four anti-war sailors in Japan as an excuse to further restrict the rights of GIs and to prevent contact between men in uniform and the anti-war movement, both here and abroad.

The Navy has warned its personnel to avoid "anti-war peace groups." The New York Times reported Dec. 10, that "Military spokesmen in Saigon said the Navy was... planning to conduct classes to caution sailors against association with peace groups." Other military sources said warnings would soon be made to all American servicemen in Vietnam.

It is plain that intimidation of anti-war views is a primary aim of the move. Admiral Thomas H. Moorer, the Chief of Naval Operations, in a directive to top navy commanders in Vietnam instructed his subordinates to "be sure that our young men are properly indoctrinated..."

Moorer claimed that "in the U.S. and abroad, there are groups functioning under various slogans who are actively engaged in efforts to subvert the loyalty, the prestige and morale of the members of the United States armed services, and to otherwise disrupt our military operations."

After saying that there were "some bona fide pacifist groups in the United States," the Admiral implied that they, as the average member of the armed services, are unable to distinguish between legitimate political minority group actions and subversive propaganda.

The Admiral's conclusion is that "All hands are to be cautioned against improper influence by any of the various groups posing as peace advocates." The anti-war movement has the right to talk to GIs and they have the right to listen if they choose under the United States Constitution, all other ordinances to the contrary.

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San Francisco — Paul Boutelle, Socialist Workers Party candidate for Vice President, is making a speaking tour of the Bay Area and the University of California at Berkeley, where he declared his support for the anti-war activists in their fight against political repression and the university administration.

Boutelle arrived here directly from San Francisco where he spoke at a conference Nov. 28 that was written up in the San Francisco Chronicle. The Chronicle commented that "His humor and honesty..."

Boutelle went directly from the conference to San Francisco State College, where a rally of 200 heard him explain his candidacy. Young Socialists for Halstead and Boutelle gained five new supporters for the rally, of which Boutelle said, "I'm a black socialist and not a black economic philosophy is socialism." He pointed out that the two philosophies of socialism are not contradictory.

While at S.F. State, the candidate attended a meeting of the Black Student Union and was interviewed by the campus paper. Boutelle attended a rally on the Berkeley campus. A Black Student for Peace had arranged for him to have an opportunity to meet with GIs. He apparently missed his kick-off for the "millitary," protesting the suspension of student activists at the University of California at Berkeley.

Boutelle also attended a meeting of the Black Student Union and was interviewed by the campus paper. He outlined his views on the black liberation movement more effectively.

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Protest Military Regime

By O. Fondon

NEW YORK — Following Greek tradition, on Human Rights Day Dec. 10, over 2,000 Greeks and American exiles staged a candlelit Epiptagion (march of mourning) for the death of human rights activist and Greek exile Nadia Harry. Melina Mercouri led the demonstration, which was called by the Greek solidarity groups in the U.S. Several of the speakers picked up the issues of Vietnam and Greece.

Now leaders in the New York Greek community began to show the active support of anti-war groups.

Many Organizations

In radio broadcasts preceding the march, the conservative Greek leadership in New York commenced to clarify its position on the Greek junta now in power in Greece. The subsequent demand by the members of many Greek organizations here for anti-junta declarations and the large turnout at the demonstration are a further indication of the democratic Greek organizations in existence.

Petras Seeger underscored the internationalism of the event by singing in Greek and English a song by jailed composer Mikis Theodorakis. The Greek anti-war demonstration was applauded by the crowd that by the next morning the prisoners in Athens would learn of the New York demonstration.

The most militant of the Greek groups used the occasion to circulate the latest bulletin on the Patriotic Front. The message was the strongest to date and fiercely attacked the king, the colonels, and the CIA. The Front criticized the Soviet Union for not making more contact with the anti-military dictatorship; and it criticized Stalinist groups which were underplaying U.S. involvement in the military coup for their own political reasons.

West Coast Black Youth Conference Mapped Increased Organization

By Elizabeth Barnes

The Western Region Black Youth Conference had its 25th meeting in Oakland. The conference was held at the University of California at Berkeley.

The meeting was a step in the movement through an Afro-American News Service. The Black Student Union, which was also in attendance, felt that it was important to work with the students union.

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At Berkeley, Paul Boutelle, Socialist Workers Party candidate for Vice President, speaking at rally at University of California campus in rights of students. At right is Peter Camejo, spokesman for SWP and one of students suspended for anti-war activity.

Fred Halstead Makes Tour of Northwest

By Will Reissner

SKATTE and Socialist Workers Party presidential candidate Fred Halstead was just back from a successful tour of the Pacific Northwest.

Halstead's campaign swing was kicked off with a well-attended press conference here on Nov. 20. He appeared on six different television newscasts, and local papers as far away as Spokane and Pullman picked up the story.

During visits with Young Socialists for Halstead and Boutelle sponsored an afternoon campus meeting for him on Nov. 21. The evening he spoke at Western Washington State College in Bellingham. Each meeting was attended by over 100 students.

Halstead's next stop was Portland, Ore., where students for a Democratic Society sponsored the event. He spoke also at Portland State and Reed college.

In Vancouver, B.C., Halstead spoke on three campuses and at the Vanguard Forum.

Back to Seattle for the wind-up of his tour, Halstead addressed an anti-war meeting organized by the Northwest Campaign Committee for Halstead and Boutelle at the University of Washington.