Washington bitter at Indo-China setback, presses allies anew

By Tabitha Petran

A FLOOD of now-it-can-be-told reports came out of a bitter, gloomy Washington last week in the wake of the Administration's frustrated attempts to intervene in Indo-China. The reports were conflicting in detail and interpre-

tation, but they combined to give a frightening picture of how close Wash-

ington actually came to intervention.

A copyrighted Washington Post article (6/7) declared that the President was to have asked Congress on April 26—opening day of the Geneva Conference—for authority to intervene; the first air strike was set for April 28. The N. Y. Times reported that in the

French National Assembly debate on



"Will you please stop reading the world news while I cut your hair?"

Indo-China, Pierre Mendes-France, Radical-Socialist leader, revealed that warships loaded with "atomic aviation material" were already en route to Indo-China; the British Cabinet veto, April 25, coming on top of growing popular American opposition, halted them.

The intervention setback is the most severe yet suffered by the war-with-China camp, led by Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman Adm. Radford, which has become dominant in Washington in the past year. It is a victory for American public opinion. But in order to remove the continuing threat to peace from the "highly irresponsible responsibles," as Walter Lippmann has termed them, a clear understanding of the basic issues in Washington is urgent.

CHINA THE TARGET: For Washington the issue is not Indo-China but war with China—and World War III. This is now acknowledged by such conserva-tive commentators as Lippmann who warned (6/8) that this "unlimited objective . . . the overthrow of the Red Chinese regime" has disrupted the Western coalition.

The real division in Washington is not between a war party and a peace

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party. London's New Statesman pointed

"The issue under dispute in Washington is whether the U.S. should 'go it alone,' in the hope of dragging her allies after her, or whether she should patiently persuade these allies to join united action."

The line between these two tactics is not hard and fast. Sharing a common aim, they sometimes merge; proponents shift from one to the other under pressure of successive frustrations. Secy. of State Dulles has been in both camps. At a June 8 press conference he said the U.S. would not go it alone "unless the whole nature of Communist aggression changed"; that the Administration had no present plans for seeking Congressional authority to intervene. This seemed to make official the defeat, for the time being at least, of the war-now group.

PEACE JITTERS: Dulles' conference was at 11 a.m. Within the hour the stock market began tumbling into its sharpest break in four years. This underscored the extent to which recent business developments have been based on expectation of war. The Journal of Commerce (6/14) pointed out that recent "heartening factors" in the business picture have been "sparked by Indo-China war fears" and that these factors "may lapse just as quickly, if and when these fears evaporate."

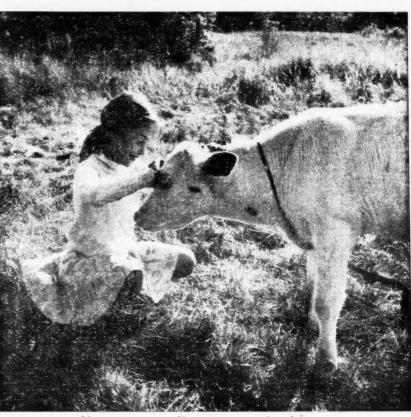
The "united action" time-table was

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No more pencils, no more books . . .

Pardon us for being non-political this week but, always wanting to be on top of the news, we must point out that the Great Day, when the school doors close for summer, is arriving now all over the nation. And would you want to poke into an old geography book if you could be where the honeysuckle smells and the green grass grows all around, all around, and you might even make a daisy chain for a soft-eyed calf . . . ?

"DUE PROCESS" GOES OUT THE WINDOW FOR FOREIGN BORN

Supreme Court OK's deportation for past membership in CP; Black and Douglas in sharp dissent on McCarran Act decision

By Lawrence Emery

ROBERT NORBERT GALVAN was brought to this country from Mexico in 1918, when he was six years old. He has lived here ever since; his wife is a native-born citizen; so are his four children. His stepson served as a para-trooper in World War II. Since 1940 he has worked for the Van Camp Sea Food in San Diego, Calif.

He joined the Communist Political Assn. in 1944; he left it some two years later when it was reconstituted as the Communist Party. For that brief assertion of his political rights Galvan is now to be deported under a Supreme Court ruling of May 24 which, for the first time, upholds the constitutionality of a provision of the McCarran Internal Security Act of 1950. This provision makes past membership in the CP grounds for deportation of an alien. The ruling is the farthest reach vet of a trend that began some seventy years



ago, reversing an earlier Federal policy of open-armed welcome to immigrants.

"WITHOUT PROOF": The court was split 7 to 2; Justice Frankfurter delivered the majority opinion. In it he argued in effect that the Supreme Court lacks the authority to interfere

with "Congressional power in dealing with aliens" and that even "innocent" CP members must be deemed deportable under the McCarran Act:

"A fair reading of the legislation requires that this scope be given to what Congress enacted in 1950, however severe the consequences and whatever view one may have of the wisdom of the means which Congress employed to meet its desired end."

Justice Black and Douglas dissented sharply. Black wrote that during Galvan's membership, "no Federal law then frowned on Communist Party political

"Now in 1954, however, petitioner is to be deported from this country solely because of his past lawful membership in that party. And this is to be done without proof or finding that petitioner knew that the party had any evil purposes or that he agreed with any such purposes that it might have had. On the contrary there is strong evidence that

that it might have had. On the contrary, there is strong evidence that he was a good, law-abiding man, a steady worker and a devoted husband and father, loyal to this country and its form of government.

"For joining a lawful political group years ago—an act which he had no possible reason to believe would subject him to the slightest penalty—petitioner now loses his job, his friends, his home, and maybe even his children, who must choose between their father and their native country."

FOR WHAT HE WAS": Taking note

'FOR WHAT HE WAS": Taking note of Frankfurter's strained technical ar-



guments that the law is constitutional, Black added:

"I am unwilling to say, however, that despite these constitutional safeguards this man may be driven from our land because he joined a political party that California and the nation then recognized as perfectly legal." Said Douglas:

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"... the only charge against this alien is an act that was lawful when done. I agree that there is, therefore, no constitutional basis for deportation, if aliens, as well as citizens, are to be the beneficiaries of due process of law..."

"Only one thing is clear: Galvan is not being punished for what he presently is, nor for an unlawful act, nor for espionage or conspiracy or intrigue against this country. He is being punished for what he once was, for a political faith he briefly expressed over six years ago and (Continued on Page 6)

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The St. George bill

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The enclosed \$15 is for the GUAR-DIAN from the treasury of our Free Fress Discussion Club. The following telegram was sent to Rep. Et. George, Senate Office Bidg, Washington, D. C., last night:

"The passage of the St. George will, HR 9317, will abrogate the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, With its passage a free press no longer will be possible. If it is enacted into law all cultural and social progress will be jeopardized, We protest the passage of this bill."

Free Frees Discussion Club Liftian Keevy, Corresponding Secy.

Lamont and Schary

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LOS ANGELES, CALIF.
Following in part is a letter I wrote to producer Dore Schary, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studies, Culver City, Calif.:
"My wife and I have just learned that Corliss Lamont's address under the auspices of the American Civil Liberties Union has been cantelled, due to your efforts. Knowing you as a liberal during and following World War II. and knowing something about your background, I was at first dismayed. But I began to realize that this is the role played by most liberals when they advance in rank and position, particularly when the going gets rough, as in this fear-riduenting.
"Now you are perfectly respectable Mr. Schary; now that you

ow you are perfectly respect-"Now you are perfectly respect-able Mr. Schary; now that you have demonstrated your allegiance to the High and Mighty, you have achieved absolution from your for-more sins as a liberal. You should go far as an obedient servant of the present Rulers of America.

"As a fellow Jew. I have the right to remind you of the similar be-havior of prominent Jews in Ger-noany in the early days of the as-cendancy of Hitler and the Nazis. Jews like you have learned nothing

How crazy can you get dept.

The German Communist Party is preparing publication of a new and revised Bible. Theme of the Red Bible will be that Jevus was poor, had no money, no property. Goal of the distorted version—to convert religious peasants to the cause of Communism.

From By Gardner's syndicated column, "Coast to Coast." Paris edition, N.T. Herald Tribune, June 9.

One-year sub to sender of each item published under this head-ing. Winner this week: John Peet, Berlin, Germany.

from the horrible and costly example of Germany. And the irony of it all is that the son of a poor Jew in America rises to prevent a son of a partner of the House of Morgan, from sounding out against war and fascism, when humanity in general, and the Jew in particular, are in jeopardy of total annihilation."

H. I. Lewis

The So, California Branch of the A.C.L.U. cancelled an address by Dr. Corliss Lamont entitled "The Congressional Inquisition" for the evening of Friday, May 28, in Los Angeles. The Branch took this action primarily hecause of pressure from Dore Schary of MGM, who had recently joined the Advisory Council of the organization and who threatened to resign if Dr. Lamont spake under its auspices.—Ed.

Get a horse!

CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

My brother brought in the GUARDIAN from the mail box. I was
in another room. He shouted: "The
GUARDIAN came."

"That's fine," I thought, Now
we'll get the real low-down on
the Bakayaros in Washington, D. C.
I hear the sound of tearing paper.

"That's the GUARDIAN wrapper."
I think to myself.

Then my brother says, "Theres
an advertisement here asking if you
want to buy stock in a Canadian
uranium mine." From the GUARDIAN? I thought, Impossible, Right
there my affection for the newspaper went down 100 points. I
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Now I ask, "How crazy can you get?" Can you imagine Beifrage and company riding around in gold-plated Cadillacs? GUARDIAN readers, please note. Joe Mongell

Martin Andersen Nexo

Martin Andersen Nexo COPENHAGEN, DENMARK
The Danish author and champion of the eause of world peace, Martin Anderson Nexo, died suddenly June 2, on the eve of his 85th birthday, in Dresden, Germany. The funeral took place in Copenhagen on June 5. Apparently the newspaper agencies either did not communicate the fact to the papers in your country, or did so with some hesitation.

your country, or did so with some hesitation.

We have lost a great humanist and a great son of the Danish people. He was a living manifestation of the history of the working class movement in our country and one of the foremost Socialist authors. At the funeral, streets for four kilometres long were lined with masses of people while the funeral procession marched by. Speeches were delivered by a Copenhagen professor of Literature; the Soviet writer Boris Polevol; the president of the Danish Small Farmers Union, Emanuel Vestbo; Paul Wandel, United Socialist Party of Germany, and Aksel Larsen, general secy, of the Communist Party of Denmark.

Gelius Lund

CHEOPS SOLAR SHIP UNEARTHED IN EGYPT



Vie Nuove, Rome
"I have nothing to declare but a pack of cigarettes.'

All avenues open!

BARRINGTON, ILL.
Enclosed please find check
amount of \$10. Although t Enclosed please find check in amount of \$10. Although there is much in your good paper with which I find myself in disagreement, I believe it highly imperative to encourage all avenues of thought suppression. That applies to all shades of political and economic philosophies, from the extreme Left to the extreme Right—and all gradations betwixt and between.

Therefore, with publications such as the Chicago Tribune in no danger of going under (albeit few tears would be shed if it did!), I feel it incumbent upon intelligent, patriotic citizens to rally to the support of papers like the good old NATIONAL GUARDIAN.

Keep lambasting 'em! Jack Duran Ammesty movement

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New YORK, N. Y.

The excellent series of articles on amnesty for the Smith Act prisoners, which appeared in the GUARDIAN from May 10 through May 31 have, I, am sure, helped to make many people aware of the urgent necessity of an effective amnesty campaign.

The very title of the series, Amnesty for Smith Act Victims—Key to Nailing the Big Lle, is one more example of the profound understanding of the issues of our day which all of us have come to expect from the GUARDIAN.

We cannot be callous when men and women are forced to spend long years in prison for their political opinions; nor can we be indifferent to the sorrow and hardship inflicted on their families. But, overshadowing all personal considerations, there looms up the monstrous structure of oppression built on the "big lie" of a communist conspiracy. And there is nothing which has contributed as much to the acceptance of thie lie by large numbers of people as the Smith Act trials with the lurid headlines given to the weird testimony of paid informers with no scruples of conscience or regard for truth.

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"Two voices are calling you: one coming from the swamp of selfishness and force, where success means death; and the other from the hilltops of justice and progress, where even failure brings glory."

-JOHN P. ALTGELD.

REPORT TO READERS

Pardon us for pointing

UR YOUNG LUCIFER, perched across the page there, points up the Infernal problem of renewals, and how in Tarnation to get your attention to them without expensive mailings.

Every subscription now due for renewal is addressed in red ink on Page 1 or on your subscription wrapper. What to do—NOW—if your sub has expired or is due to expire, is all detailed carefully in the upper left hand corner of this page. We suggest you check right now, while you have this page before you, or before your sub wrapper gets too deep down in the wastepaper basket. Nothing could be more reassuring for our future than to spend the rest of this month digging ourselves out from under a landslide of due and overdue renewals.

NE ARGUMENT: Last week we alerted you to the St. George Bill, aimed at denying progressive publicaeations the low postal rates set up more than 160 years ago to guarantee circulation of "political intelligence" the press. Passage of the St. George Bill would hang the closing notice in every progressive printshop in the land. If you haven't written your Congressman against this bill, it is most urgent that you do so now.

But even if we kill the St. George Bill (as progressives in other years have killed similar bills), the GUARDIAN could still be put out of business by non-payment of subscription renewals. If yours is due, please let us have it TODAY. THE EDITORS

prisonment for ideas. It is because there has not been enough indignation shown in the face of this profoundly un-American practice, that there are no bills in Congress for the repeal of the Smith Act and the McCarran Act, and that additional repressive measures are under serious consideration.

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The Nati, Committee to Win Amnesty for the Smith Act Victims is in complete agreement with you that an effective compaign for the freedom of political prisoners—aside from what it may accomplish for those already in prison under the Smith Act and for the far larger number convicted and facing prison—can help create the conditions to check the destruction of constitutional liberties, and to of constitutional liberties, and to

of constitutional liberties, and to restore those already lost.

We are grateful to the GUARDIAN for the important contribution it has made to the growing amnesty movement. Our committee will welcome any inquiries or requests for material your readers may care to send to our office. Room 611, 667 Madison Av. New York 21.

No bail in St. Louis

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ST. LOUIS, MO.
As you know, for the first time in a Smith Act case, the defendents were denied bail on appeal.
Would you print a request for letters to go the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis, Mo., protesting this flagrant violation of the right to bail? Also the defendents should receive letters of support: James Forest, Dorothy Forest, Robert

Manewitz, Marcus Al Murphy and Bill Sentner at Municipal Jail, 124 South 14th St., St. Louis 3, Mo. Brockman Schumacher, chairman, St. Louis Emergency Defense Committee.

Covering the waterfront

Covering the waterfront

NEW YORK, N.Y.

I have noticed that on a number of occasions, the GUARDIAN, in its desperation to gain new friends (?) is in danger of losing old ones, Since when is it good to include in the GUARDIAN constatulations to a gangster-controlled union (ILA) for beating out a politician-controlled union? You should have castigated the whole deal as a phony seeking to control deal as a phony seeking to control should have castigated the whole deal as a phony seeking to control the waterfront racket. You are surely going to drive away long-time supporters by dishonest action. Try no more of them, or be accused of splitting progressive groups.

groups Long Time Friend

The GUARDIAN feels the victory of the II.A represented a triumph over minon busting and sovernment attack. It believes the majority of rank-and-file long-horemen feel the same way. We are against racketeers on the docks or elsewhere. We feel they can be cleaned out only by the rank-aud-file—and not by destroying the union. We have been strongly critical of the old II.A leadership, will continue to be if it seeks to reassert itself. The GUARDIAN always seeks to gain new friends—but for progress, not in desperation. We fall to see how our coverage of the waterfrent situation splite progressive groups.

CALIFORNIA GOP joited in primary; IPP's Cerney gets 50,000 votes

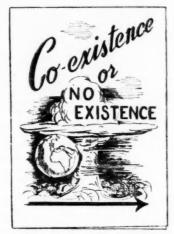
LOS ANGELES

THE Los Angeles Times, defender of the entrenched California Nixon-Knowland Republican machine, con-ceded last week that the state's primary election "ended a political era in Cali-

Dashed was the state GOP's boast that it would again win both Republican and Democratic nominations in the June 8 primary, thanks to the cross-filing system which allows a candidate to run on both tickets. For the first time in many years, most of its candidates face a tough November runoff election. Some blamed the GOP's failure on a new requirement that cross-filing candidates be identified by their party on each ballot; others saw in it the beginnings of a revolt against the Eisenhower regime.

ROYBAL NO. 1: Los Angeles City Councilman Edward R. Roybal, first Mexican-American in 75 years to seek a state office, a liberal Democrat supported by the Ind. Progressive Party and rank-and-file Democrats, led the entire slate in the Democratic primary.

A fighter for civil liberties and minority rights (he alone voted against the L.A. "Communist registration" or-dinance) Roybal won the Democratic nomination for lieutenant-governor 2 to I over his nearest opponent in a field of four. He was 100,000 votes ahead of Rep. Sam Yorty, who won the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senator. Yorty, a machine Democrat and head



COVER OF AN IPP LEAFLET

of California's first un-American investigating committee in the '30s, thumped for "peace through strength" and his own brand of McCarthyism.

CERNEY-50,000: Yorty will be opposed by incumbent GOPer Thomas H. Kuchel, who was appointed to Nixon's seat after the 1952 election. Both will face issues raised by IPP candidate Isobel Cerney, who led the IPP slate with approximately 50,000 votes.

Other IPP candidates for state offices in the November election will be Horace V. Alexander, Los Angeles IPP and Negro community leader, for secretary of state; Herbert Cohn, veteran and a leader in Local 6 of the Intl. Longshoretreasurer.

Yorty trailed Roybal by more than 50,000 votes in L.A. County, which was just about the combined total of votes in the county for Isobel Cerney and widely-known labor attorney Leo Gallagher, who ran as a Democrat on a progressive platform.

GOP Gov. Knight, a Nixon hench-man, who had predicted complete vicin the primaries, faces a runoff with Democratic primary winner Richard Graves, who received Democratic, CIO, progressive and AFL rank-and-file despite a commitment by toplevel AFL leaders to Knight. The only state officer who won re-election in the primaries was liberal Democrat Edmund G. (Pat) Brown, who was elected Atty. General in 1950.

TENNEY LICKED: State Sen. Jack B. Tenney, former head of the California Un-American Activities Committee (vice presidential candidate in 1952 on Gerald L. K. Smith's Christian-Nationalist ticket) was decisively retired in the primary. The GOP nomination went to Mrs. Mildred Younger, wife of a former FBI agent. Richard Richards, liberal Democrat, who called Tenney both anti-Semitic and fascist, won the Democratic bid.

Rep. Donald M. Jackson (R-Los Angeles) of the Velde committee, faces the fight of his life in November. Two years ago Jackson missed winning the Democratic nomination by only 1,000 votes; this time he was beaten 3 to 1 for the Democratic nomination by the Rev. S. Mark Hogue, who campaigned on an anti-McCarthyism platform.

James Roosevelt, beset by a divorce scandal and repudiated by the Democratic Natl. Committee, sought the Democratic nomination to Congress from Los Angeles on a platform embracing peaceful co-existence with Russia, trade with China and defense of civil liberties. He won the Democratic primary 7 to 1 in a field of eight.

CONDON WINS: Rep. Robert L. Condon, also "disowned" by the Democratic Natl. Committee, won renomination by a larger margin than in his previous election, despite redbaiting concerning his "Communist associations" and "security risk" status with regard to atomic installations.

Rep. Clyde Doyle (D), self-styled lib-

eral member of the Velde committee, failed to win re-election in the primary on both tickets, and will be opposed not only by Republican Frank G. Bussing but also by IPP candidate Mrs. Olive T. Thompson. Similarly forced into a run-off election, in contrast to previous elections, was GOP Assemblyman elections, was GOP Assemblyman Harold Levering, the junior McCarthy who authored the "loyalty oath" bills used to fire teachers throughout California. He will be opposed by Democrat Henry J. Olson, backed by AFL and CIO.

LIPSCOMB vs. ARNOLD: In the 24th LIPSCOMB vs. ARNOLD: In the 24th CD of Los Angeles, incumbent GOPer Glenard Lipscomb will battle it out in November with anti-McCarthy, propeace Democratic attorney George Arnold, son of Roosevelt trust-buster Thurmond Arnold and son-in-law of columnist. Draw Pearson

columnist Drew Pearson. Two Negro candidates won nomination for the first time in the history of

two Los Angeles Assembly Districts.
In the total outcome, IPP observers saw a real setback to the GOP machine which heretofore has waltzed away with victory in the primaries. The Los Angeles' Times had some cheer:

". . Our political world has not come to an end; the sun still shines, and gentle rains will fall. Only this lesson by the Republicans should have been learned; There is work to be done."

War & Peace

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suggested by predictions in the bustness press that "another buildup" may come in the fall, with "armed action" to be expected after the November elections.

"United action" is predicated on the collapse of the Geneva talks. Washington has already succeeded in breaking off the talks on Korea and is maneu-

vering to end those on Indo-China too.
"United action" strategy is geared to
the UN. Recently Thailand appealed to the Security Council for a commission investigation to determine whether there was a danger of the Indo-China war spilling over into its territory. Behind this move, said the New Statesman (6/12), was a maneuver involving an offer by the pro-Washington Thailand regime to make Thailand available as a military base against China.

BACKDOOR TO WAR: The New Statesman described Thailand's political climate as "highly reminiscent of the last years of the Kuomintang regime" and noted that opposition to the regime was growing—especially in the Northwest, which borders on Laos. It termed the U.S.-Thai maneuver a

"... backdoor method of trying to bring Britain into a military agreement ... [which] strengthens the belief widely held in Asia that American policy is based on the assumption of war with China."

The milder tone of official speeches

and press comment in the U.S. reflects the shift in Washington to "united action." Dulles' disclaimers that the U.S. wants war with China, Vica President

Nixon's emphasis at Whittier College on "peace and equality" for Asia were designed to lull British fears of Dulles Southeast Asia Pact. They also reflect the confusion and disorder among Washington's policymakers as the dis-Washington's policymakers as the dis-astrous consequences of their policy mount. At the same time, they are part of an Administration process to condition America for war. In the condition America for war. In the Nation (6/5) Freda Kirchwey described this "familiar" pattern:

"A high government official makes a provocative statement; Congress and the public take alarm, so the Administration withdraws one or two steps; but each time the retreat is not quite so far as the previous one. And meanwhile opinion in and out of Congress shifts—subtly but inevitably—from no intervention...to anxious fear that 'we must do something...'"

HOPE AND DANGER: The conditionbandshi: The condition-ing process to date appears not to have been successful, and the obstacles Washington faces in knocking together an alliance for war in Asia seem insur-mountable. The seriousness of British opposition to American policy—not only in Asia but throughout the world—is evidenced by the Administration's invi-tation to Prime Minister Churchill and Foreign Secy. Eden for softening-up talks in Washington.

But the threat to world peace remains since Washington has no policy other than preparation for war. The deterioration of its position—in the



"Just leave your name and address and in the event of internationalization of the war we'll get in touch with you."

absence of an alternative-is likely to increase the danger of a headstrong act, even as it forces Washington into new retreats and creates new opportunities for peace. An alternative, based at a minimum on the acceptance of revolution in Asia and the unifying of a neutral Germany is the first order, since these are irresistible movements and cannot be halted forever.

CHANGES IN PARIS: The fall of the Laniel government in France probably marks the beginning of the end of the pro-Washington policy pursued through a succession of governments by the two French foreign ministers: Robert Schuman and Georges Bidault. But how and when this reorientation will occur is not yet clear. One thing, however, appears certain: France cannot regain its national independence until the Communist Party, the nation's largest, has a voice in the government. The virtual disfranchisement of a fourth of the electorate is a main factor in France's dislocation. The difficulties of the anti-Communist parties in shaping a new policy were indicated by the Paris L'Observateur (5/20). Pointing to a number of men in and around the government "who sincerely want to end

the Indo-China war," it called them
"... prisoners of the logic which
leads them to tie themselves so closely to American policy."

MOVES IN GERMANY: Even now however, French weakness, the result of a pro-Washington policy, has undermined the structure of Washington's policy in Europe. But it is in Western Germany that the severest blow to that policy apparently is being prepared by the Ruhr industrialists and nationalists, "the groups that constitute real power" (N. Y. Times, 6/5). They are making clear that they are preparing to jettison Chancellor Adenauer's policy of Western integration to attempt an understanding with the U.S.S.R.

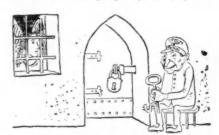
This development was foreshadowed when some key Ruhr industrialists met with Soviet Trade Minister Mikoyan in Berlin last fall. It became almost in-evitable when Washington closed the door on German unification at the Berlin Conference last winter.

A campaign by the Free Democrats,

second largest party in the Adenauer

coalition, for diplomatic relations with Moscow as the only way to German unity began shortly after Berlin. At the same time, industrialists and trade associations stepped up efforts to expand trade with the socialist world, scheduled visits to Moscow, actually sent a delegation to China's Vice Trade Minister in Geneva. All this was over the opposition of Adenauer.

LOOK EASTWARD: The June 3 speech of former Chancellor Heinrich Bruening before the industrialists of the ning before the industrialists of the Rhine-Ruhr Club in Dusseldorf—'the real powerhouse in W. Germany" (NYT 6/13)—was the sharpest sign of the new turn. Bruening, a prominent Catholic who returned, with Washington's blessing, to Germany after long residence in the U.S., strongly attacked Adenauer's foreign policy. He urged a



Drawing by Spachholz, Bertia The whole world knows how concerned I am to secure Peace!"

return to the policy of the '20's, when Germany played "the role of mediator" between East and West. Predicting a U.S. depression, he said trade relations with the East were essential. Similar views were expressed by another former Chancellor and onetime Ambas-sador to the U.S., Hans Luther.

On the eve of Laniel's resignation, Soviet Premier Malenkov invited W. Germany to establish closer relations. This showed once again the flexibility of Soviet diplomacy based as it is on the realities of the world situation. The decline of Washington's power and prestige, because of its war policies, is for the first time beginning to sink in at home. It should have the effect of spurring demands for a real change in Washington's plans

THE ROSENBERG CANTATA by Michael Gold

From their cells in the dark death house
Ethel and Julius Rosenberg saw the sun go down
The sun of justice was going down in America
And in the darkness a Beast hunted the People
He poisoned the green Jefferson fields
He shattered the cities of Roosevelt
He was armed with a Bomb and a Lie!

The Beast

It is the American Century! The Rosenbergs stole our Bomb! Kill kill kill kill!

Ethel

How can one live without love? There is no love in a prison Julius where are you? Have we lost the darling boys?

Julius

Our love grows through life and death And the People will set us free

The Beast

I have muddied the People's brain with movies and I have deadened their hearts with money and dead

I have deafened them to the great voices

The People can never hear you

And every bank and steel mill has sworn
That this is the American Century
And the Rosenbergs must die

The Children

Mummy and Daddy please come home The house is so lonesome

Ethel

We'll be home in the spring With the flowers and joyful birds Wait for us darlings!

Children

Daddy and Mummy does it burt To die in an electric chair?

Congregation of Old Jews

And the rulers worshipped a Golden Calf And they worshipped a Hydrogen Bomb And they killed the Prophets and burned the Jews And murdered Sacco-Vanzetti and Willie McGee O God of Justice spare the Rosenbergs! Thy humble prophets of the poor!

The People

We are the People In song and suffering And blood of martyrs We are the People Steadfast in sorrow We build a new world

History

The stench of a dying world

Polsons the streets and homes the schools and
courtrooms Imperialist decay rots the young promises of Imperialist decay rots the young promises of America
Yet slowly a miracle deeply stirs
The world can never end
In every age and in every clime
Miracles of the People are born
To save man's world anew
In a dark death cell the Rosenberg miracle is born
To testify that Lincoln still lives To testify that Lincoln still lives

And their name rings like a sacred bugle ery
through the world

Children

Mummy and Daddy tell us the wedding story again Ethel

Your father was so thin and poor and serious Like a pale young East Side prophet That I loved him for his hunger and dreams

Julius

Your mother was a beautiful Queen Esther And her singing so moved my heart I thought the tenements were a green forest And she the sweetest singer there

Ethel

The Rabbi married us under the canopy We began in joy! we lived in joy!

Julius

I waltzed my bride around the hall The guests applauded and drank red wine O beautiful swan with white wings Where is our family joy?

Both Rosenbergs

Beast! give us back our children!

The Beast

All are at the feast of life but you The auto roads and sunny beaches swarm with happy Americans

They rejoice in their autos and frigidaires And their children play around them in joy But you have sacrificed your family joy To your beehive bitter god

Confess only that you stole the Bomb I need your confession
It is a battle won
In the war for the American Century

Here is the key to your prison Confess and live You can gain the bright crown of success Confess daily at treason trials and on television Become famous informers rich and admired like Hollywood stars
And your children will have joy

(a silence)

Be practical, make a deal and live Justice and truth are commodities The world is a jungle Its only law victory or death

Congregation of Old Jews And they tortured the Jews to confess That we had betrayed the State and drunk Christian blood at our Passovers They burned and tortured us through the centuries But we never surrendered to their great lie Or gave up our Jewish song in man's symphony

The Rosenbergs We cannot take the road of the beast and informer We will follow the road of brotherhood That leads to the shining festival Where every child will be loved And hearts are united and a Bomb no longer is God Man is the meaning of the universe And Brotherhood is the meaning of Man And here in the lonely prison dark Our cells are alight with faith We will persist in love And if the Beast crushes our hearts Our dark agony may bring a bright blessing To all the children of Man O happy children of tomorrow remember the Rosen-

Who were steadfast on the road of Man The Beast

Executioner Set up the Chair History

The Rosenbergs have chosen Man who has fought upward from the primeval slime ow comes to his final hour of birth or death

This is the turning point Here the roads part forever Man must choose hate and greed and the Hell Bomb death The final fascist flame and explosion of the world

Or world brotherhood

The Beast They are trapped in a mine They are alone

History

No stars shone down there was only silence In that dark night when Spartacus died on the cross But Man is awake now at last And millions of hearts beat with the Rosenbergs on

It is the century of Man

And on the five continents the People are marching Take heart take heart we have come a long way! Both Rosenbergs

Listen children! The People are marching!

Take heart we are coming home With the lilac and joyful birds!

The People The world conscience is marching on picketlines
All the cities stand watch with bared heads in the
sunlight squares

On the sacred hills of Rome and in the vineyards of Chile

Miners scholars and priests unite for the Rosenbergs Great China arises, the people of a new planet of labor and peace

This Cantata by Michael Gold first appeared in the June (Rosenberg) Memorial) issue of Jewish Life. Gold's 60th birthday was recently marked by the publication by International Publishers of The Mike Gold Reader, a collection of his writings. He is the author also of the great novel Jews Without Money.

The mothers and soldiers of China cry out for the New York martyrs

And Africa rises in her wrath and affirms her ancient freedom

And joins humanity's watch over the Rosenbergs
The Latin Americans the brave oppressed peoples
declare their fierce love for the Rosenbergs

The France of Joan of Arc and the Bastille unites As against the Nazi to thunder with the voice of

resistance for the Rosenbergs
And the great world pioneers are faithful to the human hope

The Soviet people the heroes of Stalingrad march for the Rosenbergs

Man is awake he pleads in a hundred tongues For the Rosenbergs for the pure souls of the Rosenbergs

History

I History tell you again America America stands alone Free the Rosenbergs to save America

Executioner make ready the chair America can stand alone

The People

Our picket lines ringed the White House Jefferson and Lincoln America spoke to the America of Eisenhower We the People were rejected We the People were rejected
American mothers machinists doctors and seamen
We the delegates of the people
Clothing workers miners and brave sharecroppers
From Florida to Canada and California to Maine Dishwashers steel workers and poets Beautiful young girls with hearts aflame The hungry the strong the young and the old the

Negro and white Americans All marching for justice in the American dark To save the Rosenbergs

The Beast Executioner are you ready?
In the name of the American Century Throw the switch Forever

(a sudden scream, the cry of the children, the anger and weeping of masses)

The People

It is done. The Rosenbergs are dead. A cry of horror rises from the earth.
The Beast has won another battle. He has flung the

bodies of the Rosenbergs at the People. He roars his challenge to the stars. If he cannot rule the earth he will end it in flame and gas
As he did with the Rosenbergs.
He murdered Spartacus and Joan of Arc. He killed
Joe Hill and Sacco-Vanzetti and the men of Hay-

market. But the rivers still flow to the sea. The sun rises each morning and the People are

marching on.

The great revolutions come like strong winds into his house of death.

Miracles of the People renew the dying world. His faithless informers his lying teachers scientists and writers His sneaks and whores and human monsters born

of money Rally behind the standard of the Hydrogen Bomb and Death

And the People rally about the flag of Life.

Americans do you hear the voice of the Rosenbergs
Calling you to brotherhood and joy?

The Bomb cannot build a world!

We are the People We are the People We are the builders In song and suffering And the blood of our martyrs

We build a new world History

The Rosenbergs reborn In all the skies The dawn is red And the birds of history Sing a new song

The People

Cities and streets and towns named Rosenberg Glowing in a new world Life radiant in home and factory And the green earth lit with joy
And all our beautiful sons and daughters
Growing in a world of brothers
Will sing of the people's martyrs And bless each people's hero
And remember the sacred Rosenbergs
Whose suffering was a seed of brotherhood

COMMENDED BY WARDEN

Wells is shifted to a new prison

THE APPEAL by thousands of persons throughout America to California Gov. Goodwin Knight saved Wesley Robert Wells from the gas chamber last April 9. Their continuing fight, aided as before by Wells himself, has brought a new victory—his removal from San Quentin prison to Terminal Island. Here the 44-year-old Negro prisoner, according to his attorney, hopes in the new environment "to stand on his own merits rather than his prison record."
This change also "will enable Wells to receive badly needed treatment for gastric ulcers and extreme tension" acquired during his long fight to stay alive. His "capital offense" was that he hurled a cuspidor at a prison guard after a series of unbearable provocations. The guard recovered.



The San Francisco News on June 2 carried a page 1 banner headline— LIFER WELLS FOILS ATTACK ON GUARD—and a story about Well's turning hero "in a ward fight" by overcoming a violent prisoner. In addition to the transfer, he received a commen dation from Warden H. O. Teets.

WALTER LEE IRVIN: The Natl. Assn. for Advancement of Colored People told the GUARDIAN last week it had not yet decided on the next step in the fight to save Walter Lee Irvin's life. Irvin, Ernest Thomas, Charles Greenlee and Samuel Shepherd were accused on July 6, 1949, by a Groveland, Fla., white man of having raped his 17-year-old wife, Thomas was shot to death by a sheriff's posse; Greenlee, 16, was sent to prison for life: Irvin and Shepherd were sentenced to death. The hysteria whipped up on the night of the alleged attack carried over into the first trial and the new trial ordered by the Supreme Court in 1951. Shepherd died and Irvin was seriously wounded when a sheriff shot

Little known facts about the Red Menace

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Some of the opponents of the antirables law [at a City Council hearing in
Los Angeles] even went so far as to assert that they are convinced that some
of the support for the dog ordinance is
coming from the left-wing groups who, defeated in attempts to impose socialized
medicine on human beings, now are secking compulsory medication for dogs as
a new stepping stone to their original
purpose. purpose. -Los Angeles Times, Jan. 15.

them down on a deserted road while they were being transferred from one prison to another. Irvin was again condemned to death after a three-day

The GUARDIAN urges its readers to write today to Gov. Charley Johns, State Capitol, Tallahassee, Fla., asking him to commute Irvin's sentence.

To those who remember June 19...

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN MORTON SOBELL?

AST YEAR YOU CAME to Washington from all corners of the land. "The biggest demonstration this city has seen," the police chief said.

You mothers, who took your babies 500 miles in the coaches of the Women's Special. . .

You teen-agers who picketed 12 hours at a stretch, button-holed every leader in the neighborhood on your own initiative, wrung telegrams for clemency from the commuters hurrying home to Jersey. . . .

You scientists who knew that the charge was false. . . .

You clergy who pleaded charity and mercy. . . .

You people of New York who ignored the police in a flaming demonstration through the East Side in the hours after the execution.

You mourners who threw your cars in a steel blockade across Sunrise Highway when they tried to keep you from the cemetery. . . .

Where are you today?

Where is your energy, your anger, your sorrow?

Have you forgotten the living Rosenberg-Morton Sobell?

You acted for Michael and Robbie. When will you act for the Sobeil children? Is his growing daughter to marry, and have her children, and reach middle age before the prison doors open to let a white-haired father come home? Is his little boy to know no father's games, to have no father's help in school, in adolescence, in facing the draft, in college?

That two young parents should die moved you to forget comfortand to forget fear in the most fearsome year our time has known. You were heroes!

Is the life-long widowing of a young wife less moving?

Your hearts opened to Mother Rosenberg. Are Sobell's parentsboth living-never to see their son free again?

Is quick death more awful than 30 years in an island dungeon? Will you wait until Sobell-like Mooney-is freed only to die?



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HOW THE ARMY TAGS ITS MEDICOS "UNDESIRABLE"

The doctor draft: A very sick law

By Eugene Gordon

ON APRIL 4 Mrs. Frances Bridger wrote to the GUARDIAN from El Paso, Tex. She said her physician hus-band, Wagner Bridger, was beeing "de-tained" at the William Beaumont Hospital there "in violation of the present law and on the basis of [Senate] resolution that may or may not be passed in the future." Several weeks later she wrote:

"A number of doctors, including my husband, have received undesirable discharges, in most cases without hearings of any kind and with no specific statements of the charges against them. Such action threatens the rights not only of these doctors but of every young man who may be drafted into the armed forces. For these discharges, instead of being based on the men's military service, are based on past connections, perhaps on the activities of the men's families, or simply on the fact that they used their constitutional rights."

04-YEAR TRADITION: A Congres-

104-YEAR TRADITION: A Congressional act of 1847 decreed that all doc-tors in the U.S. armed forces be made commissioned officers. So they were for 104 years—until the 81st Congress in 1951, yielding to Defense Dept. pressure for more doctors than the regular draft supplied, passed Public Law 779, sched-uled to expire in 1955. This statute provided for the drafting of physicians, dentists, and "allied specialists" under 51, regardless of family status.

Everyone else over 25 is exempt from compulsory military service. Thus, the Doctor Draft Law, according to Stanley Faulkner, New York attorney special-izing in cases arising from it,

"... was considered to be discriminatory legislation in violation of the Fifth Amendment, in that it selected a group of persons for military duty at an age and with dependents when they would ordinarily be exempted."

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To make the law more palatable. Congress and the Army Medical Corps gave assurances that all drafted doctors would be commissioned. American Dental Assn. president Philip Adams thereupon withdrew his proposal to make commissions mandatory under the law.

THE ORLOFF CASE: Why and how have the government's assurances been flouted?

The answer is best given in cases—similar to that of Dr. Bridger's—collected by the California Committee to Prevent Abuse of the Doctor Draft Law, 43 Southridge Rd., San Francisco. The committee's latest Newsletter listed 51 cases across the country.

To show how the law works News-

letter cited the case of Dr. Stanley Orloff:

"Despite [Army] assurances, Stan-ley Orloff, M.D., was drafted as a

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then rejected. . . "Aliens who live here in peace, who do not abuse our hospitality, who are law-abiding members of our communities, have the right to due process of law. They too are 'persons' within the meaning of the Fifth Amendment. They can be molested by the government in times of peace only when their presence here is hostile to the safety or welfare of the nation. If they are to be deported, it must be for what they are and do, not for what they once believed."

THE HARISIADES CASE: The provision of the McCarran Act now upheld is actually a further extension of the

Alien Registration Act of 1940 which the Supreme Court sustained in March,

1952, in the case of Peter Harisiades. In that 7 to 2 decision Justice Frank-furter, concurring in the majority

opinion, was explicit in expounding the

McCarran Act case

private July 26, 1951, and denied a commission for failing to fill in the details of the Armed Forces Loyalty Certificate (a list of 200 organizations proscribed by the Atty. General). The Army was sending Dr. Orloff overseas as a laboratory assistant when he undertook legal action for commission and utilization as a physician or discharge from the service. The case finally reached the U.S. Supreme Court, which decided on March 9, 1953, with three justices dissenting, that a doctor could be retained as a private. The justices unanimously decreed, however, that he must be used as a doctor."

The N.Y. County Medical Society in April, 1953, demanded in a resolution



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that all physicians inducted under the Doctor Draft Law be commissioned or discharged. The law was amended a few months later to provide that

"... any person who has been or shall be [drafted under the Doctor Draft Law] shall ... be appointed, reappointed or promoted to such grade or rank as may be commensurate with his professional education, experience or ability."

THE NELSON CASE: However, this did not prevent the Army's denying a commission to Pvt. Herbert L. Nelson, D.D.S., because he was a Communist Party member briefly in 1940. Nelson fought the decision. The U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Virginia ruled last Feb. 9, that Dr. Nelson must be compared to the community of the proper of the pro Feb. 9 that Dr. Nelson must be com-missioned or discharged. It was the Army's defeat in the Nel-

son case that brought Defense Secy. Wilson before the Senate Armed Services Committee on March 18 to pro-(N. Y. Times, 3/19) an amendment

"... would authorize by law the retention, in enlisted status, of such a person on active duty as a physician or a dentist for the entire period of his obligated service."

The proposal was embodied in a reso-

lution introduced by Senate Armed Services Committee chairman Saltonstall (R-Mass.) on March 9. This is the resolution to which Mrs. Bridger referred. If it is adopted, all doctors who exercise their privilege under the Fifth Amendment and refuse to answer any question on the "Loyalty" forms, will

Important decision

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Dr. Eugene Levin, 27-year-old physician who was denied a commission because he refused to answer political questions on the army's "Loyalty Certificate," was ordered honorably discharged June 3 by Judge George B. Harris in San Francisco Dist. Court. The order was, according to Dr. Levin's counsel, "the first one that rejects the McCarthy theory, which the army now has seemingly adopted, that any person who claims his constitutional privilege must be given an undesirable discharge."

Judge Harris said: "As the court

Judge Harris said: "As the court reads the regulations, there is no discretion vested in Army authorities other than to grant an honorable discharge."

be inducted as privates or, as Faulkner said, "in comparable positions in other branches of the armed forces."

THE PERESS CASE: Sen McCarthy, acting as a "committee of one," last Jan. 30 and Feb. 18, questioned Maj. Irving Peress, a dentist of Queens, N. Y. This was before and just after Dr. Peress completed a two-year tour of duty as an Army dentist. Peress invoked the Fifth amendment in refusing to answer certain questions. McCarthy said he wanted

"... the record to show that this "... the record to show that this IDr. Peress' honorable discharge] was signed and handed to this Fifth Amendment Communist, Major Peress, after I had written the Secy. of the Army suggesting that he be court-martialed, suggesting that every one having anything to do with his promotion, with his change of orders, be court-martialed."

Newsletter comments:

"After being inducted under threat of the Doctor Draft Law, Dr. Peress was promoted and honorably discharged by order of the President in accordance with Public Law 84, 83d Congress—to say nothing of the fact that Dr. Peress as claiming a privilege guaranteed the Constitution and the Uniform Code

of Military Justice."

Defense Secy. Wilson rushed again to the Armed Services Committee, this time (NYT, 4/9) to give "concrete assurance . . . that the matter of subsurance . . . that the matter of sub-versives, Communist sympathizers, or other security risks in the armed forces is being carefully worked out." Faulk-

"Members of the armed forces who have honorably served their tour of duty without any evidence of dis-

loyalty or subversive activity must, under the present policy, bear throughout their lives the stigma of an undesirable discharge."

Imagine, he said, the handicaps faced by a doctor—for whom certain medical and civic organizational ties are obligatory if he wants to succeed—whose discharge "carries with it the mark of a disloyal and subversive person.'

THE AFTERMATH: It is undesirable publicity, however, and not an "undesirable discharge" which is forcing Dr. Peress to leave his present office by July 15 for one he hasn't yet been able to find. He figures it will cost him at least \$3,000 to start anew. Rental agents for 33 W. 42 St., he said, won't allow him a tiny suite in their vast structure,



where for years he has shared a space with a colleague. He said he had lost from one third to one half of his pa-tients and is "kept superficially busy by loyal friends and a few new per-sons." He thinks some former patients will return "because of their personal respect for me and because the dentistry was good."

The California Committee warns that it is a "basic and untenable mistake" to assume that the only issue involved has been whether or not 51 doctors and dentists were to be commissioned or discharged. It says:

"Yielding to McCarthy's wild but calculated blows, the Army is at-tempting to repair its fences by furcalculated blows the Army is attempting to repair its fences by further restricting the rights of doctors in service. It is now seeking legal sanction to do so in legislation which would strip the traditional commission from physicians and dentists who stood on their constitutional privileges. . . But another and very significant consequence of McCarthy's attack . . , is the developing resistance of an aroused public. It senses in the attack on the Army the magnitude of the danger posed by McCarthyism, invading every aspect of everyone's life. Never before have his abusive practices been attacked so strongly by such a diversity of individuals and groups. Any attempt to amend the Doctor Draft Law one year before its scheduled expiration carries with it the implicit threat that the law will be extended indefinitely, even though the emergency has passed and the law's end has been promised by Gen. [Lewis B.] Hershey [director of Selective Service].

The committee is contemplating civilliberties actions, "supported by non-professional veterans who have been given undesirable discharges." All in-terested persons are invited to get in touch with the committee.

doctrine of exclusive jurisdiction of Congress in dealing with aliens::

"... whether immigration laws have been crude and cruel, whether they may have reflected xenophobia in general or anti-Semitism or anti-Catholicism, the responsibility belongs to Congress... The underlying policies of what classes of aliens shall be allowed to enter and what classes of aliens shall be allowed to stay, are for Congress exclusively to determine even though such determination may be deemed to offend American traditions and may, as has been the case, jeopardize peace... The place to resist unwise or cruel legislation touching aliens is the Congress, not this court."

'DESPOTISM EXISTS': Justice Douglas, dissenting then, pointed out that the doctrine relied upon by Justice Frankfurter rested upon a ruling handed down in 1893 by a court divided 6 to 3, and recalled the powerful dissent of Justice Brewer in that case known as Fong Yue Ting v. U.S.:

"It is said that the power [of de-

portation] here asserted is inherent in sovereignty. This doctrine of powers inherent in sovereignty is one both indefinite and dangerous. Where are the limits to such powers to be found, and by whom are they to be pronounced? Is it within legis-



lative capacity to declare the limits? If so, then the mere assertion of an inherent power creates it, and despotism exists."

Douglas summed up in the Harisiades case:

"The right to be immune from arbitrary decrees of banishment certainly may be more important to liberty than the civil rights which all aliens enjoy when they reside

here. Unless they are free from arbitrary banishment, the 'liberty' they enjoy while they live here is indeed illusory."

Publisher hits 'slanting' of news about U.S.S.R.

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There are [in the U.S.] no experts on Russia. There is only a varying degree of ignorance about Russia. What he saw in Moscow was contradictory to many newspaper and magazine accounts in the American press. . . . "In America." Simon stated. "we talk about freedom of the press, but in reality we over-sensationalize our news, we over-dramatize it—we slant the news the way we want it to be understood. We stress the facts we want to get across and slight the facts we want to hold back in order to follow a preconceived notion about Russia, Straight factual reporting, without any editorial comment, is not welcomed by the American press."

—From a Berea. O. News report (4.1) of

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—From a Berea, O., News report (4 1) of a speech at Baldwin-Wailace College by Eugene A. Simon, publisher of the Valley Baily News of Tarentum, Fa., who visited the U.S.S.R. last year.

AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH PRESIDENT ARBENZ

How Guatemala's chief feels about U.S. pressure

Tension continued to mount in Guatemala last week. For the second time a low-flying plane dropped anti-government leaflets. Two fliers, one a retired U.S. Army officer, fled the country; farmers and workers rallied in support of the government, while those charged with conspiracy against it took refuge in foreign embassies. The government suspended constitutional representations of the constitutional constitution of the cons guarantees for 30 days, enabling it to bar certain Guatemalan exiles from returning, to make house searches and summary arrests. The Guatemalan constitution provides for such suspensions
—similar to the invoking of martial
law in the U.S.—but sets a time limit.
The constitution has been suspended
about 12 times since the 1944 revolution and always fully restored in less than 30 days. Despite the crisis the Guatemalan Congress last week approved a budget allotting \$10,737,572 for education, \$5,308,756 for public works, only \$6,585,506 for defense.

Last week also the U.S. press and radio featured rumors about an imminent army coup to overthrow Arbenz. AP reported (6/14) an army ultimatum to Arbenz "to resign by tomorrow"; to Arbenz "to resign by tomorrow"; Charles Lucey (N. Y. World-Teelgram, 6/15) spoke of "reports" that some army officers has protested "the rise of Communism [to Arbenz but] did not seerve him with an ultimatum." The N. Y. Times (6/15) said the three major political parties had "published a manifesto pledging to assist this Govern-ment 'in a moment in which external and internal forces are plotting to sub-vert the constitutional regime."

On June 1, President Jacobo Arbenz Guzman for the first time granted an interview to a foreign newspaperman, Marcel Niedergang of the respected Le Monde of Paris. Here are excerpts:

NIEDERGANG: "Could the arms bought in Europe be purchased in the U.S.?" [He referred to the 2,000 tons of military equipment, brought to Guatemala from a Polish port, which occasioned State Dept. protests.]

ARBENZ: "... The U.S. government refused to authorize the sale to Gua-

Guatemalans Fail to Grasp Concern of U.S. Over Reds

Misconceptions of Problem Have Prove a Drawback to Better Relations

N. Y. Times, May 26, 1954

temala even of revolvers for the police or small calibre ammunition for hunting and fishing clubs."

NIEDERGANG: "Do you think that the U.S. is disposed to call for sanctions against your government under the Rio de Janeiro and Caracas de-clarations?" ARBENZ: "Certain circles in the U.S. are interested in adopting measures of intervention against Guatemala either because the progressive and patriotic policies of the Guatemalan patriotic policies of the Guatemalan government affect their interests, or because in threatening Guatemala they seek to intimidate the people and the governments of Latin America, so that the latter may not be tempted to take the road of independence and jeopardize the interests of American trusts. American trusts.

"However, the application of practical measures of intervention would encounter serious obstacles: firstly, the firm opposition of the people and government of Guatemala; secondly, public opinion in American countries and the opinions of certain governments on the continent which oppose such measures because they consider them dangerous precedents for their own security and independence."

NIEDERGANG: "The U.S. government has accused you on several occasions, and particularly recently, of being a Communist beachhead in America. What do you think of that statement?" ARBENZ: "I think it is devoid of any foundation. Actually, accusations of this sort are used to conceal the truth about Guatemala. They testify to the anger roused by the policy of my government, a policy which necessarily affects powerful foreign interests. . . . It [Guatemala] is not and cannot be



PRESIDENT ARBENZ "The truth is concealed.

satellite of the Soviet Union or the U. S. or any other power. The foreign policy of Guatemala, like its domestic policy, depends on no foreign power.

NIEDERGANG: "Is it true that the leaders of the Guatemalan Labor Party (Communist) are also the heads of the CGTG (Guatemalan Confederation of Labor)?

ARBENZ: "The leaders of the CGTG and all other unions are democratically elected without intervention by the state, by workers of all political shades and religious beliefs including workers who are members of the Gua-temalan Labor Party."

NCE'S OTHER COLONIES

Morocco and Tunisia seethe under yoke of repression

By Kumar Goshal

TORN between being a great nation or an imperialist power, France is reaching a time of fateful decision. Her decision in Indo-China will have strong repercussions in her remaining colonies, especially Morocco and Tunisia.

Morocco

Morocco is divided into three zones: French, Spanish and internationalized Tangier ruled by eight powers including the U.S. French Morocco (9,000,000 pop.) is the largest of the three. There the Moroccans live in utmost poverty and feudal slavery; 90% are illiterate.

In 1952 the French government began a brutal drive to suppress the popular Istiqlal (independence) movement. Its troops killed many, jailed most of the leaders, drove the rest underground. The climax came last August when Sultan Ben Youssef was deposed for Sultan Ben Youssef was deposed for sympathy with the Istiqlal. He was exiled to Corsica, later transferred to French Madagascar; now the plan is to send him as far from Morocco as possible to diminish his influence. Ben Youssef was replaced with the docile Sultan Moulay ben Arafa. Driven to desperation, Moroccan nationalists have resorted to terrorism. They have warned civil servants that "collaborationists" will be punished, asserted that "when will be punished, asserted that "when we have enough guns, we will strike at the French themselves" (Worldwide Press Service, 2/11).

Spain's Franco, whose ambitions for a revived Spanish empire have grown under Washington's protection, has of-fered demagogic encouragement to Morocco's nationalists and has refused to recognize the new Sultan.

WASHINGTON'S HAND: Already deep-WASHINGTON'S HAND: Already deeply involved in Morocco, the U.S. may get in deeper for two reasons: Washington has built four giant atomic alr bases there at a cost of \$400 million. (It strengthened its security guards since American personnel were stoned by Moroccans last year). France considers her N. African colonies as part of metropolitan France, and the U.S. is pledged to support France against external and internal "threats." Conditions in Morocco are so oppres-

sive that even the conservative Catholic sive that even the conservative Catholic writer Francois Mauriac made "a stinging attack... against police rule, censorship of all newspapers and the static policies of a bureaucratic colonial setup" (Worldwide Press, 2/11). France has made a feeble effort at change by sending as Resident-General the vetage of the conservation of the conservation of the conservation of the conservative catholic statements. sending as Resident-General the veteran colonialist Francis Lacoste. But he

eran colonialist Francis Lacoste. But he (This Week, 6/13) has
". no more definite policy than his predecessor [Gen. Augustine Guillaume] who made shift with the single idea of suppressing nationalists. As Lacoste took over, the Moroccan lid was still on, but the rumblings beneath have made the protectorate France's second biggest headache."

Tunisia

In Tunisia conflict rages between France's attempt to hang on to one of "the last souvenirs of a thus-far un-successful imperial policy" and the successful imperial policy" and the struggle of the Tunisian nationalists "to cast off all the . . . trappings of 'colonial' existence," according to Middle Eastern Affairs, May, 1954, a scholarly monthly publication.

The government of Resident

Pierre Voizard has been ruthlessly putting down the nationalist Neodestour party, many of whose leaders—including Habib Bourguiba—have been exiled; scores of others are in jail.

Recently Paris offered some political "reforms": an indirectly-elected assembly of Tunisians with only "consultative status" in economic and social matters; a Cabinet with eight Tunisians and four representatives of the French settlers, and a Tunisian Premier. Bahl Ladgham, Neodestour's U.S. epresentative, commented (N.Y. Times,

"Actually the Premier . . . has only theoretical authority over the various departments. . . . The numeric superiority of Tunisians in the Cabinet is of no practical importance, first, because no voting takes place in the Cabinet, and, secondly, because the department heads (all French) alone are qualified to . . . conclude affairs department heads (all French) alone are qualified to . . . conclude affairs within their jurisdiction . . . The French retain, in addition to Foreign Affairs, the Army, the Police [and] the Justice Depts., the very important portfolios of Finance, Education, Public Works, the Postal Service, Telephone and Telegraph. . . . Far from bringing Tunisia closer to independence, the present reform process reinforces French control under the guise of granting more responsibility to Tunisians."

THE REALITY: A brief glimpse inside Tunisia was furnished by a protest sub-mitted (6/11) to the UN Human Rights Commission by the Intl. League for the Rights of Man, an organization with consultative status in the UN. The consultative status in the UN. The League charged that, between November, 1953, and May, 1954, the French tried and executed 33 political prisoners, without jury, right of appeal or adequate defense. The government also sentenced to five years at hard labor 110 others as political offenders.



LIFE IN THE CAPITAL OF OUR "SAFE" ALLY COLOMBIA On June 11 a crowd of students in Bogota, Colombia, held a demonstration after they returned from decorating the grave of a student killed by troops in a demonstration 25 years ago. As they sought to march down a street leading to the Presidential Palace, government troops opened fire on the massed, unarmed ranks. Fifteen were killed and 20 wounded. This photo shows the students rushing to safety and trying to take care of wounded colleagues after the first volley. Such scenes are non-existent in "unsafe" Guatemala, which Washington is trying to make safe for the Colombian way of life.

Lest Ike Forget Dept.

"Eventually, we must deal with a Chinese regime that we may not like unless we propose to replace that regime with one we do like. To do that, of course, would mean war, and . . it would not be war with China alone but with all of Asia. My only comment on that will be to repeat a remark made to me by President Eisenhower in Paris two years ago. He said: 'War with Asia would be endless and hopeless!'"

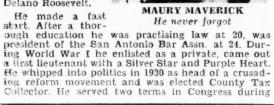
—Ernest T. Weir, chairman, Natl. Steel Corp., before Natl. Industrial Conf. Board, Dec. 17, 1958.

Maury Maverick: Unbranded calf whose soul belonged to the New Deal

AURY MAVERICK, who was born within a block of the Alamo in San Antonio, had a grandfather, Sam Maverick, who put the family name in the dictionary. Its first meaning of "unbranded calf" has been expanded to designate any free

been expanded to designate any free and independent person. Maury was a maverick to the day of his death on June 7 of a heart attenent at the age of 58. Obituary writers described him as "gruff," "volcanic," "colorful," full of "âre and brilliance," "robust," "rip-snortin," as "subtle as a bross band," possessed of "imaginative irreverence." He was always ready to battle; his one true hero was Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

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THOROUGH NEW DEALER: There was no stauncher champion of New Deal measures. No man did more than he to win the fight for TVA. He was in the front rank of every battle for the conservation of natural resources, public power legislation, slum clearance, public works. He shocked and alienated most of his Southern colleagues by his powerful support of an anti-lynching bill even though, as he stated, his great-great-grandfather Col. Charles Lynch was responsible for lynch law. It was his honor to introduce in the House the most controversial measure in recent times: FDR's plan to reform the judiciary by enlarging the Supreme Court to 15 Justices. Back home his political opponents organized against him; as the San Antonio Express wrote:

"There followed one of the bitterest campaigns

"There followed one of the bitterest campaigns in San Antonio's turbulent political history. Maverick's local enemies literally ganged up on him and he went down to defeat by a scant 600 votes."

"MR. SAN ANTONIO": He went home to carry on the fight, got himself elected Mayor of San Antonio in 1939. He turned the town upside down, reorganized most of its departments, introduced reforms and improvements which earned him the lasting nickname of "Mr. San Antonio." But his enemies never let up while he was in office. When his executive secretary granted a permit for a Communist Party meeting in the Municipal Auditorium and Maverick upried it in the interests of free speech, the American Legion and other groups went into action. There was a violent riot; a dozen persons were injured, was a violent riot; a dozen persons were injured, property damage ran high, and Maverick was hanged in effigy in the streets. But he never retreated from his stand that free speech means free speech.

From 1941 to 1943 he served as director of the

Government Division of the War Production Board, was a vice-chairman of the WPB from 1943 to 1946, served as chairman of the Smaller War Plants Corp. during the same period and undertook special missions for the President.

It was Maverick who led an unsuccessful delegation to the 1952 Democratic Convention to oppose the Goy. Allan Shivers group which later repudiated the national ticket. On Maverick's delegation were six Mexican-Americans and six Negroes, the first such delegation ever to come out of the South.

HIS VIEW OF '52: He had a typical comment on the election of President Eisenhower: the "common people done cut their own throats." Later, in The Nation for Nov. 15, 1952, he offered his description of the election:

"Whoopee! I like Ike! In Germany the people had chanted for another idol, and there was Communist fear. They liked Gen. von Hindenburg. He knew nothing of politics or civil life: then came chaos and Hitler. Same in the U.S., but no policy of Gen Eisenhower's is known; so the result cannot be foreseen.

"Here in America it was a trend for a general, a Grand Lama or Buddha, with a grin to make us slaphappy, and a symbol of take-my-trouble-away. And we fell for the clever and sly lie by Nixon, Goebbels-esque character, the most superficial but potentially dangerous national candidate ever elected in our history.

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The above outline of the facts and implications of my case is necessarily brief. It is my hope that in the context of the growing concern over the possible effect upon civil liberties of the Smith Act prosecutions you might find even so brief a statement enough to convince you that my case warrants your support. Whatever financial contribution you feel you can make will be gratefully accepted.

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NEW YORK Si

Six Murders — How Many Killers?

Roche case turns the spotlight on police 'torture confessions'



THEY GET BOOKED UP FRONT—BUT WHAT GOES ON IN THE BACK ROOMS?

John F. Roche, flanked by arresting officer Ptl. Gustave Roniger and a detective, ducks his head before the photographers' flash-bulbs as he is booked in Manhattan.

By Elmer Bendiner

AT 10:15 Saturday morning, June 5, John Roche drove the wrong way down a one-way street in Rockaway Beach. Developments that followed that wrong turn shocked the city with the story of five brutal murders. More than that, on the streets and in the press these questions were asked: What chance has an innocent person after a rubberhose interrogation by police? How many have gone to the chair or to long years in a prison cell as the result of "confessions" extorted by third-degree?

Patrolman Gustave Roniger stopped Roche and asked for his license. He had none and drove unresistingly to the Rockaway Beach police station. There police found the car had been stolen and that it contained a kitchen knife and a section of lead pipe 18½ inches long. Roche's record showed convictions for burglary and larceny and a confinement in a state mental institution. His address at 55th St. and 2d Av. was near the scene of two recent murders.

2 MEN IN PRISON: After an afternoon's questioning police said Roche confessed to beating, stabbing and raping Dorothy Westwater, 14 (she later died); the murders of Marion Brown, 17; Judy Bortnik, 13; Mrs. August Chronik, 85, and taxi-cab driver Alexander Jablonka. Later he added two other murders: that of sailor Edward S. Bates in 1953 and Mrs. Josephine Brown in 1952.

For each of the last two murders a man is now in prison and in each case he was convicted on a "confession" he said had been beaten out of him by police. Paul A. Pfeffer, 21 is serving 20 years for the Bates killing; Oliver Leonard Freeman, a Negro, 18, 10-20 years for the murder of Mrs. Brown.

At first Queens Dist. Atty. T. Vincent Quinn belittled Roche's confessions. But the record caused serious questions to be raised. Roche spoke of American Express checks in Bates' wallet that had been reported mowhere else. Pfeffer's "confes-

sion" showed glaring discrepancies. He was convicted mainly by two factors; the "confession" produced by the police and a record of "uncontrollable rages." No motive was advanced at the Pfeffer trial. On the other hand Roche said the motive was robbery and his story plugged most of the loopholes.

WHO WAS LYING? Four of the jurors who convicted Pfeffer said they believed him innocent but gave in after seven and a half hours of deliberation. Reached last week by reporters, juror Emil J. Hague, of Richmond Hill said; "It was like the McCarthy hearings trying to figure out whether Pfeffer or the cops were lying."

John Ahrem of Ozone Park said: "After the conviction everyone on the jury felt kind of funny. We had all thought, up to the last few days of the trial, that Pfeffer was innocent, because of the lack of eyewitnesses and some conflicting testimony."

Another jury was out for 18 hours before convicting Freeman of the Brown murder. The press pictured Freeman luridly as the "Batman." After police produced his "confession" Freeman was made to re-enact the crime but he seemed not to know who the victim was or where the murder took place.

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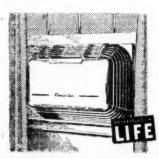
IT'S ROUTINE: The Roche confessions put the police on the spot. In rare precaution police took pictures of Roche in the nude to prove he was not beaten. The action took notice of the widespread belief in police torture. Actually such photos could prove little since rubber hoses, a favorite weapon in police cellars, leave no mark.

Lawyers in criminal cases told the GUARDIAN that police torture was routine but was hard to prove since only the defendant and the police could testify at first hand. There were stories of defend-

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ants being manacled to steam pipes for as much as 36 hours to obtain a confession, of beatings, abuse, starvation.

The Roche exposure which east doubt on all police confessions also stirred opponents of capital punishment. State Sen. Harry Gittelson (D-Lib.-Brooklyn) whose bill to do away with death sentences died in committee last session, told the GUARDIAN:

"We're being uncivilized by not changing the law. Here an innocent man seems to have been sent to jail, a hair's breadth away from the chair. If he had been executed, what would we do? We'd kick ourselves in the pants and say, "Too bad.'" He said he would re-introduce his bill next year.

PUERTO RICAN CASE: The case brought to mind other "confessions" such as those of the innocent Treater Sir

"confessions" such as those of the innocent Trenton Six.

In Sing Sing prison under death sentence are three Puerto Rican youths (GUARDIAN 5/3, 10, 17) convicted on police statements allegedly beaten out of them. Last week the state appointed for the appeal the same three lawyers who had conducted the trial defense, adding three more appeals attorneys. Appeal is scheduled to be heard in the fall

While the furore went on, police produced another "confession"—that of Norman Roye, 18, a Negro, charged with raping and murdering three women. Roye has already repudiated it. As in the Roche case, Roye's arrest was accidental. He was seized while allegedly watching police examine the body of one of the victims, found on a rooftop.

A year ago N.Y. City police brutality was investigated by 2 CULTURAL EVENING

4 great artists honored June 24

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Congressional committee. The committee's report, filed with the House Judiciary Committee, has never been made public. Reportedly the committee has been under pressure from Gov. Dewey to tone down references to ex-Police Commissioner Monaghan, now the Governor's "racing czar." Last week there was a bi-partisan Congressional move to kill the report. It was headed by Reps. Dean Taylor (R) and Sidney Fine (D), both of New York City.



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Moy & China Daily News convicted for bank ads

TWO years ago the New York press ran banner headlines on a story of Chinese "extor-tion rackets," murder and blackmail. A grand jury indict-ed the China Daily News, its editor, Eugene Moy, business entor, Eugene Moy, Dusiness manager Albert Wong and three other Chinese on 53 counts under the "Trading With the Enemy Act."

The China Daily News is the only Chinese language paper in the western hemisphere that supports the Chinese People's Republic and before the indictment withstood harassment by Chiang Kai-shek supporters in the city.

The paper, Moy and Wong were charged with running advertisements for two Hong Kong banks offering to transmit money from overseas Chinese to their families in China. The paper ceased running the ads immediately on complaint of the Treasury Dept. after Chinese assets here had been frozen.

THE RING IS OUT: Of the 53 counts against the defendants, eight were based on the receipt and publication of the ads. Forty-five were based on remittances of money by individuals to their families, allegedly in answer to the advertisement in the China Baily News.

During the trial last week before Federal Judge Sylvester J. Ryan the government was forced to discard the pretense forced to discard the pretense of a vast extortion ring. Defense attorney Paul Ross had waived the right to a jury trial and Judge Ryan, sitting as judge and jury, seemed impatient with the prosecuting atterneys. torneys.

When they offered as evi-dence China Daily News editorials they charged ran par-allel to those in the Daily Worker or Pravda, Judge Ryan refused to accept them, told prosecutors they were trying to create a "political atmos-

The prosecution admitted be-

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fore resting its case that it had offered no proof on 13 counts. Judge Ryan threw these out, then dismissed 32 other counts dealing with actions by readers for which, he said, the paper could not be be held respon-

He found some of the remaining counts substantially duplicating each other and cut these down to five, all related to the paper's acceptance of

He acquitted Wong completely but, despite the shattering of much of the state's case, on Wednesday, June 16, he found Moy, the paper and three Chinese laundrymen guilty on all five counts.

POSSIBLE SENTENCES: The verdict could lead to sentences of up to 10 years imprisonment or \$10,000 fine on each count. The judge, in an almost unprecedented step, assured the de-fense of a certificate of bail if jail sentence was imposed, admitted that there were grounds for possible appeal. asked questions to show that the defendants did not personally profit from the transmittal of money beyond the price of the ads.

At GUARDIAN's press time the judge had not yet passed sentence. He could suspend sentence, sentence lightly or, by harsh sentence, destroy the

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TRANSIT SITUATION

TA agrees to talk pact if it's 'legal'

SUBWAYS and busses were still rolling in New York last week in an uneasy transit truce. A strike had been called for midnight Monday, but the rank-and-file gave CIO Trans-port Workers Union officials authorization to cancel it if the Transit Authority agreed to negotiate a contract embody-ing the union's original demands for a 25c raise, improved

vacations and other benefits.

The TA committed itself on no specific terms but agreed to talk and to sign a contract "if it is found legal." Originally the TA had taken the position that union contracts and ordinary collective bargaining re-lationships were "illegal." Though TWU-TA negotia-

tions began on Tuesday there were major disagreements. The TA was insisting on asking the court whether a union contract was legal. The union said: sign first and then we'll go to court.

HOW TO START? TA and TWU were starting from dif-ferent points. TA wanted to negotiate on the basis of the Mayor's fact-finding committee mayor's fact-finding committee report which rank-and-filers said would set the union back 20 years. When the report was originally made, TWU Pres. Michael Quill and the executive board voted to accept it. Shop stewards and rank-and-filers booed it down along with any official who spoke for it.

After this rebuff Quill stiffened and, to the membership at least, talked on the basis of the union's original proposals.

READY TO STRIKE: When the union lifted its strike call it published a leastet without mention of the fact-finders' report. It said: "TA agrees to real collective bargaining on full 15-point program—Authority will enter intensive paged." ity will enter intensive negoti-June 15 and 16; Final agreement to include signed contract, exclusive representation. impartial arbitration, grievance procedures.'

Negotiators would find it hard to settle for less, because behind Quill were 34,000 work-ers ready to strike. If Quilt wavered he ran the risk of losing his union. Some thought he seemed embarassed by so much strength.

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DEWEY'S SPECIAL SESSION

Legislature OK's LIRR plan — \$1,400,000 tax steal, fare rise

AT NOON on June 10 Senate Albany on Gov. Dewey's summons to a special session. At 6:10 p.m. the session was over; the state's chief problems, such as unemployment, too few schools and underpaid teachers, remained.

The afternoon's agenda had been dictated by Dewey: A GOP plan for the Long Island RR; legislation enabling the St. Lawrence River Power Authorlawrence twee Fower Authority to borrow money and buy land; some juggling to give the GOP-controlled 5th AD, Queens, one more assemblyman, take one away from the Democratic 6th AD, Queens. The Governor had rejected appeals from Mayor Wagner and many organizations to take up New York City's financial crisis.

FARE BOOST: Voting on strict party lines (37-18 in the Senate, 94-51 in the Assembly) the Legislature approved the Governor's recipe for the ailing Governor's recipe for the Called LIRR (often referred to by sorting as the late rowing commuters as the late LIRR). Democrats assailed the plan for a 20% fare rise and the loss to the city of \$1,000,000 annually in real estate taxes it could levy up to now on the railroad and \$400,000 in smaller evies. (The new plan calls for tax forgiveness" by state and levies. city.)

Almost unnoticed was a bigger steal. Until now, the rail-road has had to apply for a fare boost to the Public Service Commission, which would hold hearings. When Dewey signs the new plan, the railroad may boost fares at will. The PSC may hold hearings afterward with the right to veto an in-erease; but meantime the higher fares will remain in effect.

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Short as it was, the session took time for political cam-paigning. In mid-afternoon the rumor spread that Dewey had decided not to run for a fourth term. Minutes later buttons sprouted on legislators' lapels, reading "Draft Dewey" in white on blue. The buttons seemed ready made for the rumor, or vice versa.

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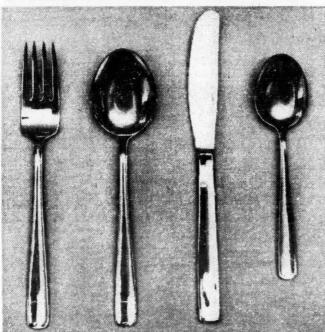
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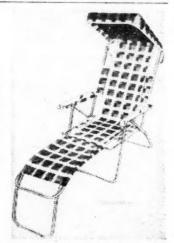
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Since Mrs. Luce is a professional playwright, it is not likely that she tossed away for free any entertaining details she might use later. As a matter of fact, her villa secretary, Letitia Baldridge, let drop that—between shaking hands and cocktails—her boss must be gathering material. She said: "She is certain to get a fine play or two from this experience."

All the world's a stage to playwright-actress Madame Luce, and there's no business unlike show business. She modestly acknowledges what rocketed her to eminence (aside from a steel will and a steel husband—Henry Luce, publisher of Life,

steel will and a steel husband—Henry Luce, publisher of Life, Time and Fortune:

"The theater in particular has been invaluable. It's in the theater that you get used to the things that a playwright has to know, such as whether the line the actor is speaking is what he really means. I now find I can judge a person speaking in a foreign language by looking at the character."

Ah, Signor Nenni! Your speeches may fool the other members of Parliament, or a few million fellow-citizens, but not Clare Booth Luce. You may read your lines about the sad state of your country—about families living in caves lit by olive oil lamps, but the Ambassador remains unconvinced and

sador remains unconvinced and unmoved. She answers: "Italy has done a great job of recon-struction. Its economy is better than ever."

UNFORTUNATELY for Mrs. Luce, her job interferes with her writing. There are so many functions to attend, and one must be meticulously correct. Imagine, for instance, saying C. I. O. when you mean C. I. A. And the callers! 7,000 of them given her guest beek during

signed her guest book during this "most interesting year of my life." (Thank heaven she

doesn't have to see that communist Togliatti, though he's always making himself heard.

Especially at election time.

CLARE B. LUCE

The chief hindrance to playwrighting is the large number of Italians in Italy—the lower orders who do not get to meet American tourists, and who are always asking questions about food and war and land. Sometimes they strike. Often they vote as they please. No wonder Mrs. Luce sighs:

as they please. No wonder Mrs. Luce sighs:

"The atmosphere necessary for creative work, the remoteness from the world that you have to have for the writing of a play—all that doesn't exist for me now."

However, the atmosphere is favorable for playing the role created for her, since she is an actress after all. Noble, long-suffering, realizing that the Show Must Go On, Mrs. Luce disregards the boos and the bad reviews in the Italian press. She feels that the folks back home still believe she'll make good in the City of the Seven Hills. Bravely she says: "Til stick it out as long as President Eisenhower wants me to stay."

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