

Industry's Stand Deepens National Labor Crisis

Eric Johnston Refuses Wage Gains To Packing and Textile Workers

By Joseph Andrews

MARCH 14 — All efforts to patch up the break between the labor leaders and the Truman administration have failed, as industry members of the Wage Stabilization Board refused to accept a peace formula proposed by Economic Stabilization Director Eric Johnston.

At the same time, the situation was aggravated by Johnston's rejection of the proposed wage agreement between the AFL and CIO Packinghouse unions and the meat packing companies. This agreement provided an 11-cent an hour wage increase. Ralph Helstein, President of the CIO Packinghouse Workers Union announced his union will strike March 25.

LOW WAGES, HIGH PROFITS

The packinghouse workers are among the lowest paid industrial workers. Their average wage today is \$1.49 an hour. But average profits of the packing industry went up two-thirds in the year ending Oct. 31, 1950. Since that time they have raised prices and no doubt profits have soared. These conditions account for the growing militancy among packing workers.

The compromise formula which Johnston proposed to reconstitute the WSB included a provision giving the board limited authority to handle all labor disputes as well as economic matters. This had been one of the key demands of the United Labor Policy Committee.

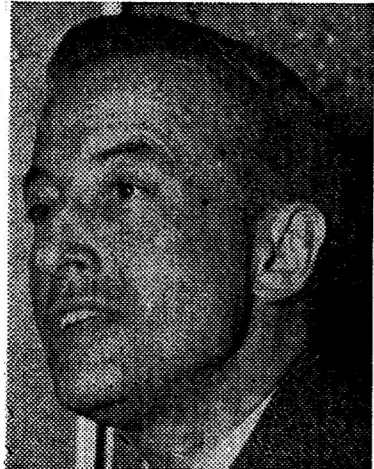
But industry members refused to agree to expanding the authority of the Board. Behind this stubborn stand is the determination of the industrialists to keep their hands free to continue their anti-labor war. If the Board handled disputes, covering contractual relations, such matters as the union shop, seniority, and check off would become questions of national policy.

NAM ANTI-LABOR PLANS

The National Association of Manufacturers, however, wants to retain freedom of action, to wage an offensive against these provisions, singling out certain weaker sections of the labor movement.

In addition, should the Board handle disputes, certain sections of the Taft-Hartley Law would be by-passed.

The rejection of the peace formula, therefore, is a warning to organized labor that the corporations are in no mood to call off their attempts to undermine and weaken unions.



ERIC JOHNSTON

The flat refusal by Eric Johnston to allow the 11-cent an hour wage increase won by the packinghouse unions in negotiations with the companies, serves notice that this former four-time President of the Chamber of Commerce has no intention of allowing "elasticity" of wages while prices skyrocket.

The breach between the labor leadership and the war mobilization set-up is therefore widened. Attempts by the union bureaucrats to find a road back into the service of the capitalist government, as "window dressing," has been blocked by the arrogant Big Business policies.

NATIONAL LABOR CONFERENCE

This situation raises the importance of the National Conference of Labor, called by the ULPC for March 20-21 in Washington. This conference will now be confronted, barring a last minute retreat by the union heads, with the need to mobilize pressure from the entire labor movement to protect the unions.

The national conference, which will include 700 delegates from local central labor bodies of the CIO, AFL and Railroad Brotherhoods, was called to mobilize "housewives, unionists, farmers and small business men" in a fight against high prices.

To aggravate the tension, Johnston, yesterday also announced he would reject a proposed 10-cent an hour wage increase for 200,000 woolen workers, represented by the Textile Workers Union, CIO. But the union itself had already rejected

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EL CAMPESINO EXPOSES STALIN'S MURDER GANG

By Tom Conlan

At the turn of this year the Social-Democratic press in Western Europe began carrying in daily installments the revelations of "El Campesino" which have created a great sensation among labor circles. For Valentine Gonzales, famous as El Campesino, is a veteran of the Spanish Communist movement, and one of its most prominent figures.

He quickly rose to international fame during the Spanish Civil War, during which he commanded a crack division and became distinguished as one of the most brilliant and audacious Republican generals. Wounded eleven times, with fortune invariably smiling on him in those days as it did afterwards in his ten years' stay in Soviet prisons and concentration camps, this fighter, with his striking features, short black beard, simplicity, honesty, coupled with a contempt for luxury and ostentation and his legendary courage, became a popular hero.

His legendary feats and character were used as a model by Hemingway in his best-seller "For Whom the Bell Tolls" and by Malraux in his novel, "Man's Hope." A highly laudatory and fictional biography about him was conducted by Ilya Ehrenburg, Stalin's star pen-prostitute. Long a fanatical Stalinist, El Campesino sacrificed everything, and also helped to hound Trotskyists, admitting that he himself participated in several crimes.

He was the last Republican general to leave Spain — in April 1939 when the whole country had already been conquered by Franco. On the invitation of the Soviet

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MacArthur Presses for All-Asia War

Threatens Endless Korea 'Stalemate'

By Art Preis

Gen. MacArthur last week sent a new shudder through the world. He renewed his demand for an attack on Manchuria and China proper that would mean war on a scale a hundred-fold greater than Korea. As an alternative, he threatened a "stalemate" in Korea that would indefinitely drain off the lives of American youth, as well as Chinese and Koreans, in a struggle that can come to no decision.

His statement of March 7, issued with great fanfare and headlined in the whole U.S. daily press, said that given "a continuation of the existing limitations upon our freedom of counter-offensive action and no major additions to our organizational strength, the battle lines cannot fail in time to reach a point of theoretical military stalemate."

He said there should be "no illusions" that the U.S. forces, under present circumstances, can defeat the Chinese and North Koreans.

It is most exceptional for a general in MacArthur's position to admit the possibility that he cannot win and to hint that, under certain conditions, he faces the prospect of a defeat. There is, of course, the factor that MacArthur has had the gilt knocked off his reputation as a military

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Barcelona Revolt Jolts Fascist Franco Regime

300,000 Workers Strike; Defy Armed Suppression by Dictator Ally of Truman

By Joseph Keller

MARCH 15 — Spain's revolutionary working class is rising to its feet once more and serving notice that the days of Bloody Franco's clerical-fascist dictatorship are numbered.

More than 300,000 factory workers went on strike March 12 in Barcelona and the surrounding area, the industrial heart of

Spain, in defiance of the brutal measures they knew Franco would hurl against them.

This set off a tremendous popular outpouring in the streets of Barcelona, second largest city in Spain with 1,250,000 population. They paralyzed the city in a revolt against the high cost of living that has reduced most of Spain's impoverished people almost to starvation.

Despite the reported killing of three demonstrators and wounding of hundreds of others, the arrest of more than 300, the landing of marine detachments from five war-ships and the arrival of 13,000 special police and Civil Guards hastily sent by train and plane, some 50,000 strikers still are out at the latest report. Sam Pope Brewer, N. Y. Times correspondent in Barcelona, writes the strike was understood from the start to be a one-day protest.

The United Press reported, however, that "25 percent of the factory workers in Catalonia, the great industrial area of North-east Spain, were still idle today after striking yesterday in sympathy with demonstrators who surged through the streets of Barcelona."

DEFIANT MOVEMENT

This same dispatch revealed that "yesterday's angry outbreak" was "the worst anywhere in Spain since the civil war twelve years ago." Brewer, in a cautiously-worded report called it "the most general movement of defiance that Generalissimo Franco's government has ever had to face," a "general explosion," and a "movement so widely expressed through all groups of society that without implying any threat of general

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Left Wing Scores Gains in UAW Local Elections

Annual UAW elections of officers and convention delegates in Detroit and Flint have shown a definite strengthening of the anti-Reuther sentiments among rank and file auto workers.

Although Walter Reuther, UAW President, will have a majority of delegates at the April 1 to 5 convention to be held in Cleveland, the opposition will have a sizeable delegation.

In Ford Local 600, Joe Hogan, an independent militant, will meet Reutherite Carl Stollato in a runoff for the presidency. Hogan ran on a militant program which included two major political points: 1. End the Korean War, and 2. Build a Labor Party. The fact that this program gave Hogan such large support, over 9,000 votes, is evidence of the mood of large sections of the workers.

The Ford local elected a slim majority of opposition delegates. In Ford Local 900 (Lincoln plant) the opposition won the delegates race eight to two, and won local offices.

GM LOCALS

In Chevrolet Gear and Axle Local 235, Rudy Pale, longtime progressive opposition leader, made a comeback and won the presidency. His ticket captured seven out of 10 delegates. In GM

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HANSEN DEBATES STATE SENATOR IN MINNESOTA

Following two successful meetings in Chicago, Joseph Hansen, Associate Editor of the Militant, went to Minneapolis-St. Paul for meetings scheduled there.

In Chicago Hansen spoke at a Socialist Workers Party-sponsored meeting, the chairman of which was Irving Beinlin who recently concluded a campaign for Alderman on an anti-war platform.

In his speech Hansen documented the overwhelming desire of the American people to get the GIs out of Korea at once. He quoted public opinion polls, the huge volume of letters to Congressmen, letters to the press, etc. Showing how the war is supported by a small profit-hungry minority, Hansen stated: "If we don't stop them now, the imperialists will turn the whole world into a slaughterhouse; only the construction of a socialist society will guarantee the survival of humanity."

The favorable reaction of the audience to Hansen's talk was demonstrated in the lively question period and the excellent financial contributions made.

At another meeting in Chicago, Hansen addressed an audience of students and faculty members of Roosevelt College. The meeting was sponsored by the Public Affairs Committee, a student organization.

He traced U.S. foreign policy from V-J day to the present time and its repercussions on domestic policy, especially as reflected in the attacks on

academic freedom, the drafting of students, and the general growth of militarism on the campus.

SEEK THE TRUTH

In conclusion, Hansen told the students: "You must learn to study world politics objectively, familiarize yourselves with the socialist program, grasp the fundamental meaning of the inevitability of endless crisis under capitalism and its terrible impact on humanity. Have the courage to seek the truth; and having found it to proclaim and defend that truth."

On March 16 Hansen will speak at a public meeting at 10 S. 4th St., the SWP hall in Minneapolis. He will also address several meetings on the campus of the University of Minnesota in St. Paul.

A good deal of local interest has been aroused by the prospect of a debate between Hansen and State Senator F. G. Child, who is attempting to institute a witch hunt at the University. Both have accepted invitations to speak at a forum sponsored by the Student Group for Political Analysis. Senator Child's topic is "The Trend of Radical Thought in America" while Hansen will speak on "The Trend of Reactionary Thought in America."

Workers of the World, Unite!

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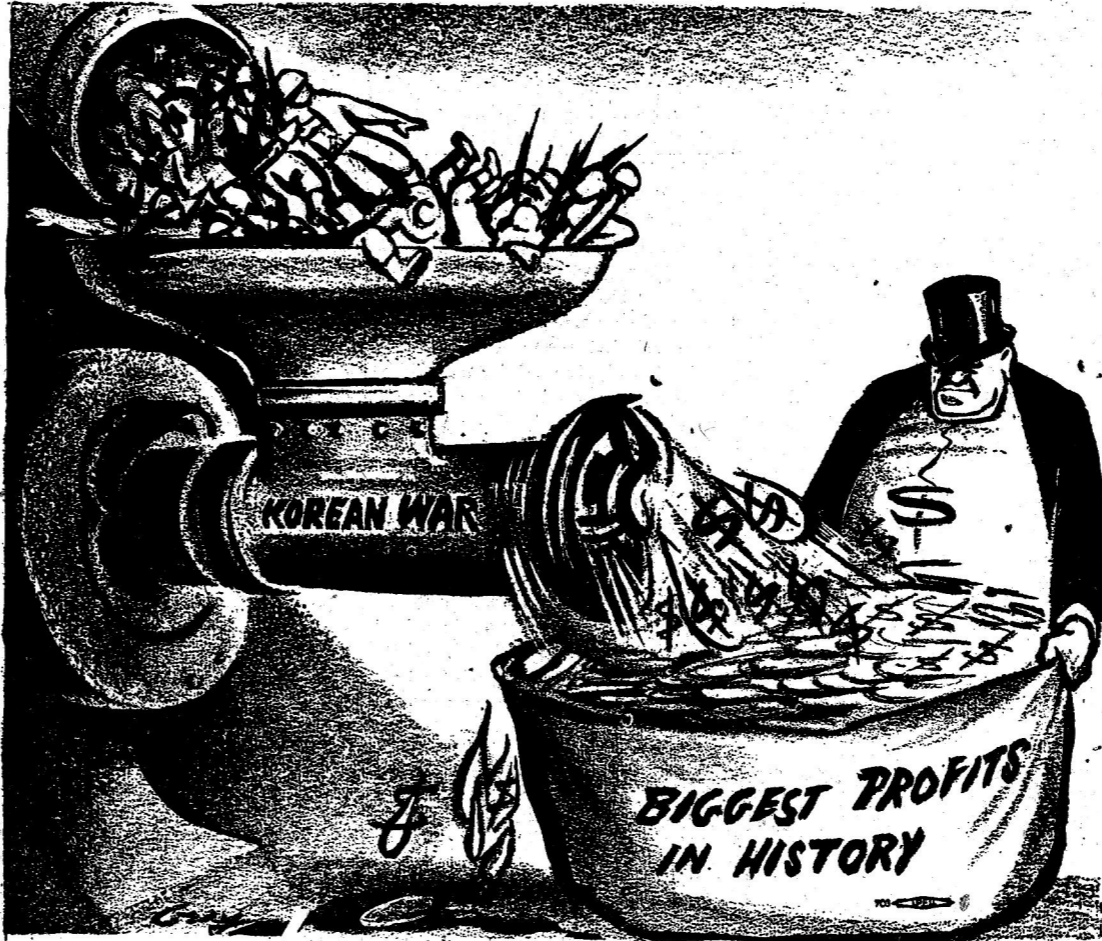
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"Operation Meat-Grinder"



Mr. Acheson, You Lied

By Joseph Andrews

Dean Acheson, Secretary of State, Washington, D. C.

Sir: As I read your answer to the searching questions on Administration foreign policy raised in Marine Cpl. John Moullette's letter, my blood boiled. There is no act more base, I believe, than to lie to the youth who seek in "agony of spirit," as you yourself well put it, an answer — a solution — to the future of futility and horror they see before them.

Every word of your reply, I say, was a calculated and cynical lie. You lied in detail and you lied in the whole. You lied when you evaded Cpl. Moullette's specific questions. You lied when you offered banal generalities to the basic question that vexes him and his generation most — the question implicit in his entire letter: "Why must we sacrifice ourselves in another war?"

Let me tell you first how you lied by evasion. Cpl. Moullette stated "that the American people... are fed up" with the Administration and its foreign policy." If that is true — and you did not dare to deny it — you owed him before everything else an explanation of how any policy, above all such a lie and death issue as the Korean war, can be correct and just when it violates the deepest sentiments of the people and tramples on their will.

MOST UNPOPULAR WAR

Are the American people — are the John Moullettes in the armed forces — blind to a right-ous and just cause? How does it happen that Truman's "police action" in Korea is the most unpopular war in our history? Is it simple stupidity or cowardice or depravity that makes the American people so hostile to U.S. intervention in Korea, that makes them pour letters by the hundreds of thousands into Congress and the White House demanding the stopping of the war now and the immediate withdrawal of the troops?

The reaction of the people to your war is not stupidity, but growing wisdom. They are getting smartened up. They have been through two world wars already for "democracy, liberty and lasting peace" and they have seen only evil results from all their waste of "blood, sweat and tears." They have observed tyranny and dictatorship flourish as never before. They have felt in their own flesh the fangs of depression and inflation. They have witnessed

the triumph of corruption in high places, the gnawing away of their civil rights. They have watched with anger burning in their hearts while the rich grew richer with every drop of blood spilled by their sons.

They do not believe in your Korean war. They mistrust your aims. That is the reality of the present situation. You did not speak in the name of the American people, when you answered Cpl. Moullette. You scorned their views and did not see fit even to honestly acknowledge them. You spoke for the war profiteers, the bankers, the militarists.

Cpl. Moullette said: "I thought that only Congress could declare war." I have searched your answer line by line and can find no reference to this vital matter. How can there be an honest reply to Cpl. Moullette that skips over the not unimportant fact that your superior, President Truman, without consultation of Congress,

let alone the consent of the people, plunged this country into a war on the other side of the world that has already cost us admitted casualties of nearly 53,000?

Nor did you see fit to discuss Cpl. Moullette's question about UN seating for the present government of China. That is because you cannot give a plausible answer. You cannot deny that the Peking government has as legitimate a right to sit in the UN as, say, the South American dictatorships which you hail as allies.

I come now to the one question that you could not squirm out of — Korea. To Cpl. Moullette's contention that the Korean war is a "needless waste of life," "shameful to the human race" and "won't settle anything," you answer that "in Korea, the men and the nations who love freedom... have made it clear they are willing to fight for these things." Who is "willing" to fight in

Korea? Certainly not the American GIs, nor the American people. Certainly not the South Korean people, if we can believe the letter of the marine who wrote Senator Kem: "We are not only fighting the Chinese and North Koreans, but also the South Koreans. You can see by their faces that they don't want us here." All the other nations who are so "willing" to "fight for freedom" in Korea are certainly showing a great reluctance to supply troops for this "glorious cause."

THREAT OF ALL-OUT WAR

You also say that by the U.S. intervention in Korea, "we are doing our best to prevent the world from following the road which led us, twice in recent times, to world war." That is a lie on the face of it and an insult to the intelligence of the people. Korea has led to the very brink of World War III. What began as a civil war between two regimes in Korea, has been transformed by your "police action" into a major war between vast armies of the U.S. and China, as well as the Koreans. Even now the world trembles before the imminent danger that this war, still confined to Korean soil, will be spread by the U.S. to China proper and thereby spark the explosion of the Third World War. Korea has proved only one thing — that U.S. imperialism means death to any country it "liberates." Never has such devastation and slaughter been visited on a people as the U.S. "scorched earth" policy has inflicted on the Koreans. As Walter Lippman admitted months ago, in Korea "we have proved only that we can wreck a country."

STOP THE WAR NOW

I have read that Cpl. Moullette has said that he is "convinced" by your answer. I do not know what "convinced" him except, perhaps, your prestige. I am sorry for it. But I am certain it will not convince the majority of the American people, nor the soldiers whose morale is "very low" and "have no cause to fight," as Cpl. Moullette wrote. I firmly believe they will see through your lies, that they will continue and increase their demand that the great atrocity being committed by U.S. imperialism in Korea be stopped at once and that the American troops be withdrawn immediately.

Your truly,
Joseph Andrews, Editor.

WHAT THE MARINE WROTE

The following are excerpts from Marine Corporal John B. Moullette's letter to his father, which the latter sent with a covering letter to Secretary of State Dean Acheson. Acheson released the letters with a reply. Cpl. Moullette wrote:

Dear Dad:

I can't help but think that the American people, Democrat and Republican alike, are 'fed up' with the Administration and its foreign policy.

The way Truman is appropriating money is outrageous... At present he is asking Congress for 71.5 billion dollars which would cost each American \$468.00.

Don't you think that our 'foreign policy' is fouled up a bit? What right have we to refuse Red China entree into the United Nations? I think she has a right to voice her opinions about what is to take place in the Far East...

The needless waste of life in Korea, on both sides, is shameful to the human race. Fighting won't settle anything. The only thing that I can see is being proven in Korea is "might over what may be right," Red China being the "might."

I thought that only Congress could declare war. Why doesn't Congress either declare war against Red China or stop Truman from sending troops throughout the world? Why should we take the brunt of it all? If the other countries in the United Nations won't supply the needed men and money then we should pull out of Korea...

The morale of the fighting man is very low... Here at Pendleton (Camp Pendleton, California), most of these men know what war is or what its after-effects are and will be... the majority were complaining about the way we were tricked into this. Everyone seems to have nothing but unfavorable thoughts, and remarks about the foreign policy. These men aren't afraid to fight, it's just that they have no cause to fight...

Our only hope is that our age throughout the world feel the same way and will state so to their leaders. By rebellion or other ways... I believe that the people of our level want only peace but that the leaders (including Truman) are afraid to admit they are wrong...

Yugoslavia's Foreign Policy -- III

Anti-War Struggle and Imperialism

By John G. Wright

All the prominent Belgrade leaders justify their foreign policy on the ground that it is the best way to secure world peace.

"the whole world is preparing" is being prepared not alone politically and morally but, above all, economically — by U.S. imperialism.

contrary, they are failing to unmask them. For who is conducting this war in Asia, if not the U.S. imperialists?

LENIN'S POSITION The Yugoslav leaders say they have broken with Stalinism and have returned to Leninism.

Lenin above all exposed how falsely the imperialists seek to mask their real reactionary nature and predatory aims by political and diplomatic trickery and by the demagogic use of slogans of democracy, culture, morality, etc.

But that is not at all Lenin's approach. The source of popular confusion and error on war, Lenin pointed out in May 1917 "is that people forget the fundamental question of the class character of the war; why the war broke out; the classes that are waging it; the historical and the economic conditions that historically gave rise to it."

the economics of imperialism, and not any diplomatic, political, or "moral" maneuvers in which they may engage, is the touchstone of Leninism.

ECONOMIC CAUSE FOR WAR The economics of imperialism drives it to reaction, compels it to violate democracy, morality and peace.

It is this imperialist economic base that determines the reactionary politics of all capitalists, above all, their politics of war.

This approach to war through

"democratic" allies during the last war? Have Truman, Churchill and Co. changed?

Unlike Lenin, the Yugoslav leaders sever the economics of imperialism from its politics, and above all from its war drive — and war is simply the continuation of politics by other means.

Its ideological roots lie somewhere else entirely. They stem from the theory of building socialism in one country.

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These developments underline the fact that the labor crisis is a deep and significant one, which cannot easily be resolved.

The labor movement is today coming of age. Subservience to the government and capitalist policies does not pay off.

London Conclave Shows Growth of Anti-War Forces

The mounting opposition to the Korean War in the ranks of the British Labor Party was demonstrated by a great anti-war conference held in London Feb. 25.

With only six opposing votes the conference voted the following resolution: "This conference of delegates from the London Labour movement, being convinced that the threatening war can be averted only by international socialist action, pledges itself to fight inside the movement for the ending of all war alliances with capitalist countries; the withdrawal of British forces from Korea; the granting of immediate independence to those colonial countries at present under British domination; and the concentration of the energies of the Labour Movement on securing the complete and utter defeat of capitalism and the Tory Party as our contribution to the building of a socialist world."

ANTI-WAR RESOLUTION A resolution to implement the anti-war declaration recognized that "present pro-war policy of the Labor Party" would lead to defeat and provided for the setting up of a committee to campaign inside the Labor Party for a special emergency conference of the Party.

The opening speaker at the conference was Stephen Davies, Member of Parliament, from the coal mining region of South Wales. He urged passage of the anti-war resolution and called on the delegates "to fight for it every day of your lives until it becomes the policy of our great party."

Fund Drive Holds Pace; Three Weeks Yet to Go

By Reba Aubrey Fund Campaign Manager

Branches of the Socialist Workers Party shifted into high gear this week, scoring the biggest weekly payment since the launching of the Organization, Press and Defense fund ten weeks ago.

West Virginia dashed over the goal line to 133% and first place on the scoreboard. These comrades aren't through yet. Steve tells us that they "will send in more on the fund as it comes in."

Buffalo is pounding toward the goal. Their payment of \$123.50 gives them 97%. Even the Buffalo Evening News, a capitalist daily, recognizes the bang-up job these comrades are doing in the campaign in an article entitled, "Local Trotskyists Third in Fund Collection."

The labor leaders, while they support the war plans, cannot afford to allow the government in alliance with Big Business to destroy their organizations, or to smear them with responsibility for the flagrant attempt to freeze wages while prices and profits soar.

The logical next step for labor is the organization of an independent labor party, to defend the workers against the combined Democrat-Republican anti-labor policy.

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FRANCO REGIME SHAKEN BY BARCELONA REVOLT

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revolt it must be classed as a major emergency." His March 14 dispatch stated that "new trouble was believed looming here tonight as Barcelona authorities ordered penalties against Barcelona workers who had carried out the first successful 'general strike' during the Franco regime."

The corrupt regime of Franco and the Spanish capitalists and landlords has inflated prices, according to the official figures, seven times since 1945, while wages went up only three and a half. Average industrial wages in Spain are \$21 a month.

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Youth Branch. At the beginning of the campaign he pledged a week's pay of \$45. He has already paid \$75 and this week increased his pledge to \$90 with the assurance that all of it will be in March 31!

Detroit's \$94 check completes a little over half of its quota. Marietta says that Detroit's balance is "tremendous — and to be collected in three weeks! But we'll do it, or bust! Every comrade promises to be on time."

\$18,000 FUND SCOREBOARD

Table with columns: Branch, Quota, Paid, Percent. Lists various branches like West Virginia, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, etc., with their respective financial contributions.

THE MILITANT ARMY



The Militant has always received a warm response in Newark's Negro community. The Mar. 5 issue, featuring the latest news on the Derrick case and Thurgood Marshall's report on the treatment of Negro troops in Korea was certainly no exception.

"We of Boston have a very satisfying experience to report," writes Literature Agent Marcus. "Friday evening eight of us mobilized at a Progressive Party sponsored meeting, and in a pleasant hour and a half sold 26 Militants and two copies of In Defense of Socialism."

Bob James also reports good results at Stalinist meetings in Los Angeles. "We have been selling one to two dozen Militants at each of a number of Stalinist meetings and discussing with some of those who buy. Some buy The Militant almost regularly, and several attended our Negro History Week meetings."

Literature Agent for San Francisco, Jane S., while ordering extra copies of Fourth International, theoretical magazine of American Trotskyism, comments that The Militant has been established on several more newsstands, and that "last Saturday's Fillmore Street sales were better than ever, with Ed H. selling 10 copies in half an hour, and Ricco selling 5. The Saturday before, Sarah R. sold 7 Militants."

Cathy D. reports continued interest in the Mar. 5 Militant in New York. Ben R., Harry S., Janice, and Pauline G. sold 89 copies of this issue in Bedford-Stuyvesant Monday. "We are also making regular sales at schools and colleges," Cathy writes. "This week we went out to four schools making good sales in a short time."

Many thanks to the New York friend who sent in \$3 "to help keep up the good work of The Militant."

New York Four Discussions on the Key Questions of Our Day starting Thursday, March 22 8:30 PM "The Fraud of Capitalist Democracy" DELUXE PALACE 558 Howard Avenue near Pitkin, Brooklyn, N. Y. — Admission Free —

Behind the Big Four Conference

By Charles Hanley

Britain and France looked forward to the Paris conference of the "Big Four" delegates much more than did the U.S. State Department.

Attlee's government has to take into account the anti-war feelings of the masses and the tremendous risk involved for the entire British Commonwealth of Nations in case of a third world war.

ANTI-WAR FEELINGS The resolution presented in Parliament by Labor M.P.'s Driberg and Mikardo, in Feb. 1951, and a second one signed by 18 other Labor members, among them Emrys Hughes, Victor Yates,

Sidney Silverman, Fenner Brockway, Harold Davies, were an expression of widespread concern about American influence having become too great in Western European policy and increasing the war danger.

The French do not like the idea of German rearmament either. Strong American pressure forced its acceptance on them; but it is believed Premier Plevin made it clear to the State Department, during his recent trip to Washington, that the French are not happy about it.

Truman and Acheson know this. They are afraid of Russia coming out for the reunification and neutralization of Germany, and of Britain and France being rather inclined to seriously discuss such a proposal.

Therefore the State Department and its representative, Ambassador Jessup, insist that in an editorial in the March 3 issue of the N. Y. Herald Tribune: "The Russians might well bring in proposals for the ostensible unification, neutralization and evacuation of Germany which, while guarded enough to insure the ultimate Communist conquest of the country, could still look so attractive as to sow weakness and disruption in the Western alliance."

STALINIST BETRAYAL Yet, in this case as in many others, imperialism has no better helper than Stalin himself. For there could be no stronger argument for Washington's diplomats and propagandists than to point that Gromyko, the USSR representative at the Paris Conference, defends the absurd Potsdam Agreement which was directed against the whole of the German people by dividing Germany.

LEFT-WING GAINS IN UAW LOCAL ELECTIONS JOLT REUTHER MACHINE

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Local 262, the opposition to Reuther won all officers and delegates. Cadillac Local 22 elected five out of eight delegates on an anti-Reuther slate.

In Fleetwood Local 15, the opposition scored a smashing victory in the delegates election. The slate against Reuther was headed by longtime militant stalwart, Johnny Anderson, a pioneer UAW builder, and Ernie Dillard, outstanding Negro leader in the UAW. The ticket won four out of five delegates.

Chrysler Locals showed the following results: Dodge Local 3, the

opposition captured 15 delegates to 17 for the administration; Chrysler Local 7, the right wing forces won the election.

Briggs Local 212, the right wing won all top offices, but the opposition forces increased their convention representation, taking 11 delegates to 27 for the right wing. Last convention the opposition won only one delegate. In Connors Briggs Local 742 an opposition slate was re-elected.

In Local 351, Paul Silver, one of the leading opposition figures in the UAW, once again led his ticket to a sweeping victory of all offices and delegates by an over-

whelming majority. In Kaiser-Frazier Local 142, the opposition also swept the election.

Administration forces won all the convention delegates at Hudson.

But by and large, in Detroit, the opposition this year increased its strength.

FLINT ELECTIONS In Flint, the Reuther forces received a serious setback. The anti-Reuther left wing won a decisive victory at Buick Local 599, unseating the former Reuther administration. The Rank and File caucus won every top office and all but one member of the shop committee. In an earlier election the opposition had taken almost half the local's delegates to the UAW convention.

Many factors contributed to the Rank and File victory at Buick, including opposition to Reuther's proposed dues increase, an opportunist struggle for jobs among the Reutherites, and the fact that the Regional office was concentrating its efforts on winning the Chevrolet local. Results of the run-off for offices in Chevrolet Local 659 are still to be announced. A bitter struggle over control of this local between the anti-Reuther officials headed by Local President Coburn S. Walker and the Reuther machine was conducted. Fisher Body Local in Flint elected a full anti-Reuther slate.

Oakland -- San Francisco hear JOSEPH HANSEN speak on "America and the World Crisis" Oakland Friday, March 30 8 PM St. Anthony's Hall 73rd Ave. nr. E. 14th St. Chairman FILOMENA GOELMAN SWP candidate for Councilman-at-Large San Francisco Saturday, March, 31 8 PM 1739 Fillmore St. 4th floor Admission Free

New York Protest The Murder of JOHN DERRICK. Demand The indictment and suspension of killer-cops Tuesday, March 20 8 PM 103 W. 110th St. Auspices Lenox-Fifth Avenue Tenants League Guest Speaker from Socialist Workers Party Harlem Branch

