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Southern Lynchers **And Northern Talkers**

"Southern justice has triumphed." So boasted attorney Stanford Morse of Mississippi who had been retained to defend the nine accused lynchers of Mack Parker.

Southern justice indeed did triumph. The Federal grand jury in Biloxi, Mississippi had the detailed FBI report on the Parker lynching in its hands. But on January 14 it let the accused men go scot-free.

Half of Mississippi knows exactly who these men are. And the

other half of Mississippi knows they are guilty.

Five years ago the murderers of 14-year-old Emmet Till were at least brought to trial. But progress has gone backward in the South. The known lynchers of Charles Mack Parker do not even have to face a judge and jury.

To make matters worse, the capitalist politicians of both big parties (this being a presidential year), are making demagogic

noises of phony indignation.

They are now promising a Federal anti-lynch law. And all the way up to election day in November, they will create more and more confusion by making bigger and bigger promises.

The phony Republicans only staged the grand jury hearing in the first place to show up the phonier Democrats. But neither of these capitalist parties nor their capitalist masters seriously intend to do a single thing they are not compelled to do.

Perhaps some microscopic civil rights gains may be made by playing off the Republican rascals against their Democratic com-

petitors.

But the Negro masses of Mississippi, as in the rest of the United States, will not taste the sweet fruit of freedom until they pluck it down with their own hands.

French Fascist Coup Can Be Stopped!

Timely Action by French Workers, Recognition by USSR of Algerian Gov't. Will Rout Fascist Army Plot

Algeria. January 27 — The apparently impregnable regime of Charles de Gaulle is on the verge of being overthrown by fascist gangs in Algeria.

Forty-five million Frenchmen are suddenly paralyzed by a few days' demonstration of a handful of French fascists in Algeria.

What is the nature of this demonstration? How can so many be terrorized

by so few? There are supposed to be a million Frenchmen in Algeria. (There are over 10 million Algerians.)

Of this million, only 100,000 were expected to demonstrate.

Of the 100,000, only 20,000 showed up.
Of the 20,000 who showed, only 3,000

participated:

How is it that 3,000 scum-of-theearth fascist African-haters can shake an empire? Whence comes this "boldness"? Whence comes this great "cour-

It comes from the support of the official army brass - which in turn, is supported by a large section, perhaps the decisive section of the French capitalist class.

The armed power, in the final analysis is the power. This is the one lesson which the workers must learn immediately from the Algerian events.

The so-called "democracy" of French capitalism is just a fancy facade to conceal the armed power underneath.

The capitalists cannot rule over the exploited masses by votes and lies alone. They must have "armed bodies of men" at their disposal for suppression of the

Fifteen years ago, the working class had the armed power in France the form of the Maquis, the popular resistance militia. Today the fascists have

When the French workers had the arms, they gave them up to the capitalist government, then headed by De-Gaulle. This was not because they were afraid to take over the government. It was because their leadership, the Communist Party, did not want to take

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Revolutionary Trotskyists in Japan

Students Fight War Plans While Premier Hides!

Over a thousand Japanese students assembled on January 15 to protest the "mutual security" treaty with United States capitalism. (The treaty is in reality a mutual conspiracy to attack Workers China.)

The demonstration took place at the Tokyo Airport as Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi embarked to Washington to sign the new treaty with Wall Street.

The demonstrators took on several thousand Japanese cops who were sent to evict them. The students (who included 100 girls in their gathering), showed great courage and militancy in the face of tremendous odds.

These students belong to the Federation of Student Self-Government Organizations - the so-called Zengakuren.

This is the same organization which led the far greater, nation-wide demonstration against the treaty last fall, invading the Japanese Diet (Parliament) building and planting the red flag there.

The militant leaders of Zengakuren are Trotskyists — that is, communist internationalists, supporters of the worldwide revolution against capitalism, and patriots of Workers China and the Soviet Union. And they are independent revolutionaries with their own program, free from the conservative maneuvers of the Soviet bureaucracy.

Takeo Mayama, a Zengakuren leader, was quoted in the New York Times of January 17 as saying:

"Khrushchev is suppressing the rising class struggles in Asia and Africa in the name of peaceful coexistence."

To this correct statement he added: "We cannot but be pitted against the (capitalist) country."

non-Marxian Japan Communist Party, which has no aspiration at all for revolu-

It is too bad that the Japanese CP has fallen so completely for .Khrushchev's present anti-class struggle line. But that is the reality. And these Japanese revolutionaries are facing up to that reality.

Today, only the Trotskyists are fighting for socialism in Japan. Only the Trotskyists are following the Leninist line that "the main enemy is in your own

AFRICAN ANGER!

Art Ross

With the fury that only an oppressed people can show, the men and women of South Africa once again have swept onto the pages of history.

On January 24th, in the township of Cato Manor, outside the seaside resort city of Durban, an infuriated crowd of several hundred Africans "stoned and hacked" to death nine South African cops and injured three others.

They also stoned buses, laid the torch to scores of buildings, and stormed through the streets of the city unchecked.

The rioting, similar to that which erupted in Cato Manor in August and September of last year (see WW, vol. 1. No. 7) was touched off by a series of police raids on illegal distilleries or, as they are often called "home brew-

The African people are protesting, in the only way they can, this ban on home brewing. The ruling Africaner Nationalist Party harassment of the Bantu people, who have the right to make, sell, and buy their own "brew," is designed to force the Africans to do business at the European-owned beer halls.

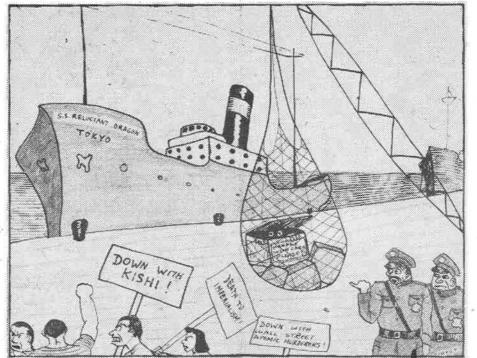
For the poorly paid Africans, this is clearly an unnecessary increase in their cost of living and a further deterioration of their conditions.

In the debate that followed in the Parliament, the Minister of "Justice," said that the riots would not deter his oppressive government from adopting an "even firmer attitude toward the Africans."

But as events are daily demonstrating, the 12,000,000 black people in South Africa are in no mood to take any sterner repressive measures from the minority of European slavemasters. As the saying goes:

"They who sow the wind, shall reap the whirlwind."

"Shh! The Prime Minister is Now on His Way to Wall Street!"



News item: Prime Minister Kishi of Japan was forced by student anti-war demonstrators to take a secret route out of the country on his way to Washington to sign the new treaty with the United States.

Japanese Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi spent three years in jail.

Was this for opposing the fascist military government of Japan? Was it for opposing the. imperialist war?

No. The American Army put him in prison for being Munitions Minister in the wartime cabinet of the super-militarist, Tojo.

Now he is the fair-haired boy of Wall Street and Washington. The U.S. imperialists let him out of jail and built him up to be the new leader of capitalist Japan.

Wall Street's "war against fascism and Japanese militarism" has produced a peculiar peace!



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Copper Miners' SOS!

The sons and grandsons of the copper bosses who shot Joe Hill are now trying to railroad eleven leaders of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union on charges of "conspiracy" to violate the slave-labor Taft Hartley Act.

The real target of these copper magnates is the embattled union itself. Some 35,000 hard rock miners and smelter workers have been on strike ever since last August. The companies had demanded drastic changes in work rules which would throw thousands of workers on the scrap heap. And yet these same companies had just chalked up a 153 per cent gain in profits over the previous year. The workers struck, and have been on strike ever since.

In a vicious assault against the *leader-ship* of these heroic workers, the copper bosses (in reality the Morgans, Rockefellers, Phelps Dodges, Guggenheims etc.) have accused eleven men of "conspiring" to violate the non-Communist oath provisions of the Taft-Hartley Act.

These men, all devoted fighters for the miners over periods of ten to thirty years, are completely innocent of any wrongdoing. On the contrary, they are proud of their record, proud of their union.

As a union pamphlet issued in their defense puts it:

"Mine-Mill's ability to surmount obstacles and thrive under attack is a part of its proud history. Organized in 1893 and now 66 years old, Mine-Mill was the pioneer labor organization in the Rocky Mountain area. It is heir to the fighting traditions of Big Bill Haywood and the Western Federation of Miners. It organized the gold and silver miners when the going was rough and when company thugs shot down union men and women at will."

This union and its leaders need your

"Mine-Mill needs funds," it pleads. "It needs them now. Its treasury is exhausted by the long, drawn-out copper strike. It needs funds to sustain an expensive and prolonged legal battle in the courts."

Send contributions NOW to the Mine-Mill Defense Committee, 941 East 17th Avenue, Denver, Colorado.

Constitutional Jimcrow?

"I don't even know whether it's constitutional."

So said the President of this great "Democracy" in discussing the Civil Rights Bill.

Of course it is "constitutional" for millions of native-born Americans to be denied the right to vote. It is "constitutional" for them to be raped and lynched—and clubbed half to death by white policemen. It is "constitutional" for them to die in battle for the interest of their bosses.

But an innocuous "Civil Rights" law might take away some klansman's constitutional rights. So by all means, Mr. Eisenhower, scratch your head, stroke your face, make a deep frown, and say: "I don't even know whether it's constitutional."

That takes statesmanship, wisdom, responsibility, a feeling for the interests of peaceful progress. It takes moderation, humility, church-going respectability.

-And plain jimcrow prejudice.

Digging Algeria's Grave!

The real meaning of Khrushchev's coexistence policy becomes plainer day by day.

One has only to take a cursory look at the Algerian revolution to see how it works. Just the other day, the Algerian government-in-exile was forced to reshuffle its cabinet, and in the course of doing so, to drop the "extremist" elements from the cabinet.

What is interesting about this is that the "extremists" were the "men of Cairo and Peking" — and not the "men of Moscow."

The men of Moscow are busy undermining the Algerian liberation struggle in three ways:

First and foremost, the Moscow bureaucracy has induced the French Communist Party to so modify its Algerian policy that it is practically indistinguishable from that of de Gaulle. This deprives the Algerian people of the firm support of the French working class—the most internationalist on the European continent.

Secondly, the Khrushchev policy has been to withhold recognition of the Al-

gerian government-in-exile, thereby depriving it of tremendous moral, material, and diplomatic support. In sharp contrast to the Moscow line, the Peking government long ago extended not only diplomatic recognition, but a pledge of anti-imperialist solidarity and material support.

(Incidentally, we were the first to point out the real significance of Moscow's failure to follow Peking's lead in this.)

Third, the policy of the Algerian Communist Party all these years has been one of tail-ending the bourgeois nationalists in the struggle for independence from imperialist domination. This policy did not originate in Algeria, but was foisted upon the young Algerian revolutionists by the Kremlin to the detriment of the entire colonial revolution.

This is the real reason the imperialists and their liberal soothsayers are now singing paeans to the praise of Khrushchev's wisdom, realism and pacifism. They are merely helping Khrushchev to cover up his betrayal of the revolution.

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The REAL Crime Of Hulan Jack

The real crime of Hulan Jack will never be brought to light by the big business newspapers.

These papers are busy making him a scapegoat for the insufferable corruption and graft which pervade every nook and corner of City Hall today. But they carefully conceal Jack's real criminal offense.

His real crime is that he is not now and never has been a genuine representative of the Negro people in the struggle against racial oppression and big business super-exploitation.

Hulan Jack is now and always has been, since the day he became a big city politician, a servile flunkey of the real estate sharks, the industrialists, bankers and the bigger capitalist politicians who run New York City. He has always done their bidding and

callously disregarded the vital interests of the vast majority of Negro people whom he was duty-bound to serve. If ever the name of "Uncle Tom" fitted anybody in New York politics, it fits Hulan Jack—and fits like a glove.

Moreover, the vast majority of the Negro people in Harlem know this all too well. Who can forget the merciless booing he got in the last political campaign when he appeared in Harlem?

Did Hulan Jack take a gratuity of \$5,000 from the contractor, Ungar?

If he did, he wasn't acting any worse or better than any other New York City capitalist politician. They all do precisely what he is accused of doing. Graft and corruption are absolutely inseparable from capitalist politics. Graft is congenital to a system which produces goods for profit and not for the use of the people.

the use of the people.

Whoever tells the working class that
there are any other capitalist politicians who are incorruptible is just plain

Do we therefore condone or justify the alleged transaction between Ungar and Jack? By no means!

All we know is that Ungar would not give a dime's worth of credit to an ordinary Negro or white worker without getting some advantage in return. Why would he be so kind to Jack?

Furthermore, how could Jack with clear conscience tate a \$5,000 loan to renovate his apartment when the overwhelming majority of the people he represents live in slums, in rat-infested buildings. They get no loans whatever to renovate their homes.

Nevertheless, all Negroes and all militant, class-conscious workers and civil liberties fighters, generally, must come to his defense insofar as the big business, anti-labor, and anti-Negro press are utilizing the case to commit a political lynching, and discredit the cause of the Negro struggle itself.

What ought to be done in the event Jack is ultimately displaced is to make absolutely sure that another Negro, one who truly represents the interests of the Negro people and the working people, generally, is put in Jack's place.

Come and Hear About WORLD PEACE AND AMERICAN SOCIALISM

Sat. Eve. Feb. 20, 8 P.M. Chelsea Hall, Sixth Ave. at 16 St. New York City

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Hiroshima Harry

Ex-president Harry Truman (of all people) is protesting the Soviet plan to shoot some non-explosive missiles into the Pacific Ocean.

Who dropped all those atomic bombs into the Pacific, Harry?

Educated Cops

Sixty Bronx, New York, policemen are now learning Spanish in a sixteen-week course.

The idea is to say "Como esta" before coming down with the club.

Workers' World A-Coming!

The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen voted on January 19 to end the lilywhite clause in its constitution, and organize Negroes into the union.

Actually, the jimcrow rules had already begun to break down, as evidenced

by the fact that Jay Harris, a Negro brakeman on the Chesapeake and Ohio was a delegate to the convention.

The proposal to change the constitution was made by a white Southerner, B. Grady Byington of Macon, Georgia.



Fascist Coup

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If the French working class parties act with determination and resolution, they can stop the fascist plot.

The French Army command would never have dared to bring things to a showdown in the first place, if they were not counting on the passivity of the French workers' parties — or rather their leaders.

Moreover—they would not have embarked on this venture if the USSR had recognized and pledged material support to the Provisional Algerian Government, as Communist China has done.

It is still not too late!

It was the offer of prompt aid to Egypt by the USSR in 1956 that halted the Suez invasion. As a matter of fact, Under Secretary of State Dillion (then ambassador to France) publicly credited this Soviet offer with being the decisive factor in the British-French-Israeli withdrawal from Egypt.

American Workers Task

It is the duty of all American workers to demand that the U.S. government also recognize the Algerian Provisional Government.

Neither the French fascists, nor for that matter, de Gaulle himself, could stay in power a single day, if the U.S. and the Soviet Union were forced by the workers to recognize the new Algerian government.

Who Gives — Who Gets!

The Panama Canal Company, a privately owned U. S. Company, had an income of 83 million dollars last year.

The people of Panama have an average yearly income of about \$283. apiece.

Boss Press Sheds Crocodile Tears Over New Wave of Anti-Semitism

V. Grey

The Nazi regime in Germany killed six million Jews in less than ten years. Hundreds of former Nazi officials are still in power in West Germany. The German Communist Party which was the party most opposed to Hitler is now outlawed. And U.S. big business is now helping the German businessmen to revive the power of the Nazi war machine at practically no cost to themselves.

That is the record.

The sudden outbreak of anti-Semitism in Germany has given the whole show away. Because one thing the average person does know is this: That anti-Semitism has something to do with fascism. And fascism means extreme chauvinism and war.

That is why the newspapers of American big business suddenly are weeping bucketsful of tears for the Jewish victims of Hitler, when in reality, they don't give a damn.

They have to pretend they are surprised at the outbreak of anti-Semitism. That they are surprised at the possibility of any resurgence of fascism in Germany. That they have been giving German capitalism all those bombs for defense of "democracy" — and not for establishing a new totalitarianism.

And the reactionary, anti-Soviet, anti-Communist, and anti-labor German Chancellor Adenauer knows his part in this little play, too. He protests vigor-

ously that he is not an anti-Semite, that "some of his best friends are Jews," etc. He even calls for on-the-spot beatings for anti-Semitic hoodlums!

This is an outrageous cover-up for his real attitude. He would not hesitate to burn every remaining Jew in Germany — if that were necessary for German big business to retain its power over German labor.

Meantime, anti-Semitism has burst out in America, and one Long Island judge even threatened two young fascist hoodlums with the death penalty. (The hoodlums have since been remanded to an asylum for mental observation!)

They are all playing to the galleries of world opinion. They are all hypocrites and pretenders, these capitalist statesmen, judges, lords and rulers. And the Jewish people will certainly be hanged if they depend only on the good will of these scoundrels for their salvation.

Only the labor movement, only the

How Big Business Fights Fascism

The U. S. Chamber of Commerce recommended setting up a Federal agency on "subversive" movements in November, 1934.

As an evidence of the world-wide Communist "conspiracy" the Chamber's report listed the following heading: "1933—Communist threat to the German government."

This report was made nearly two years after Hitler took power in Germany on a wave of anti-Semitic hysteria. But no mention was made in this report of fascism, Nazism or racism.

This is just one sample of how United States big business white-washed Hitler, the persecutor of the Communists and the executioner of the Jews.

class struggle, only the relentless fight against big business and its poisonous rule, can prevent the rise of fascism and insure the Jewish people from a repetition of Auschwitz and Dachau in Germany or America.!

How U.S. Helps "Democracy" In Three Foreign Countries

Turkey, Jan. 21—A woman editor has just been sent to jail for 10 months for printing articles opposed to the Turkish government.

This is the sixth jail sentence for Turkish newspaper writers this month.

(Turkey is the "democracy" which the United States has financed to the tune of \$700 million since 1947. The eternal Prime Minister, Adnan Menderes, won yet another "election" in 1957. He is referred to derisively by his countrymen as the "American Prime Minister.")

Bangkok, Thailand, Jan. 21—The government just closed down the daily "Frontline" newspaper for criticising the regime's decision to close down a

"Frontline" is the seventh newspaper to be closed down in the last 27 months.

(This is another U.S.-supported regime where the political opposition has been jailed, unions suppressed and union leaders imprisoned. The United States under cover of the World Bank, has "loaned" this reactionary regime no less than \$100 million. This is of course a bribe to line the government up against the workers and peasants in favor of

Wall Street's exploitation of the country.)

Guatemala, Jan. 20—Over 200 government employees, protesting the discharge of 50 of their fellow-workers, went on a hunger strike for 116 hours in their government offices.

Guatemala police engaged in a pitched battle with them, finally forcing them out with tear gas bombs.

(This government is supported and partially financed by the United States. The pro-working class regime of Jacobo Arbenz was overthrown by "force and violence" with U.S. help.)

How U.S. Tries to Wreck Democracy in Cuba

Suppose Eisenhower was giving one of his nation-wide T-V speeches, and in the course of it, he saw fit to attack Castro and the Cuban Revolution.

Suppose further that the Cuban Ambassador to Washington was so enraged at Eisenhower's distortions about the Cuban Revolution that he immediately took a cab, rushed into the T-V studio where Eisenhower was delivering the speech, interrupted Eisenhower, and immediately demanded full time to answer.

Imagine what an outcry would go up from the big business press, radio and T-V! Indeed, such a situation is scarcely thinkable without the Cuban Ambassador being physically thrown out of the country.

Yet this is exactly what the Spanish Ambassador to Cuba, himself a vicious fascist, did in Cuba the other day, when Fidel Castro was exposing him as a counterrevolutionary tool of U.S. capital.

What should interest American workers more than anything else is that Franco's emissary to Cuba was merely acting on instructions from Washington. (Just in case anybody had any doubts on this score, the American Ambassador saw Franco's envoy off to Spain in a touching display of capitalist solidarity.)

The U.S. State Department plans to overthrow the Castro regime if it can't be tailor-made to fit Wall Street's financial needs.

It is the duty of the American workers to thwart Wall Street's plans by every means possible. "Hands off the Cuban Revolution," should be the watchword of American labor.

COMMUNES EXPAND

The Chinese communes have been much more successful than their opponents claim. The farm communes were supposed to be breaking down and going to ruin. But now we hear that the city workers of China are joining communes by the thousand.

This has created some weird reactions among the American reactionaries. The January 11 *United States News*, for example, says:

"New, tricky methods have been de-

vised to lure city workers into communes...

"Bargains for workers are offered in industrial sectors — low-cost laundry, nurseries, schools, bath houses, mess halls — under the name of 'People's Street Industrial and Service Unit.' Workers aren't dragooned into using these cheap services. They don't have to be...."

Tricky methods indeed!

Buffalo Tenants Protest in N. Y. C.

New York, Jan. 7—A busload of 30 Negro and white tenants of the Dante Housing Project in Buffalo came all the way to New York to picket Housing Commissioner Gaynor at 270 Broadway.

They were protesting a proposal to drive out 616 families from their low-income project and convert it into a privately-owned, "middle income" development.

The group secured an interview with Gaynor at which they branded this proposal as "outright thievery" and "an attempt to deprive low-income groups of adequate housing." They said this proposal meant, in effect, the eviction of 2,200 people, the majority of whom were

Negro, from their homes in the Dante Project.

(The Dante Project is only five years old, and cannot conceivably be called a "slum." But the big real estate interests are getting government subsidies to change it into a higher rental project in the name of "slum clearance." And they are doing their best to turn Dante into a slum by neglecting the janitorial care that was originally provided there.)

In company with the Mothers Alliance, another group well-known for its struggle against oppression and injustice, the League retained the services of the famous civil liberties attorney, Conrad Lynn, who was the principal spokesman at the meeting with Mr. Gaynor.

Previously, on December 12, the two groups had invaded the Common Council in Buffalo New York and demanded consideration for their just demands.

The national Negro press ran pictures and stories of both events.

The militancy of the League and the Alliance, and the publicity they have managed to obtain, has already had good results. Gaynor, the Housing Commissioner, has retreated somewhat and is not quite so anxious to hand the juicy plum of Dante "slum clearance" to the Buffalo real estate sharks.

"Freedom" Not Free!

The U.S. press is making quite a martyr out of Jorge Zayas, the newspaper owner who fled from Cuba.

Zayas took a great stand for "freedom of the press," it seems.

He wrote an article criticizing the revolution. The employees on his paper wanted him to print a small footnote to the article. The footnote said the employees were in favor of the revolution and opposed to their boss. This was too much for the boss, so he got out of town.

Now Zayas is in the United States, sounding off about "democracy."

His ex-employees think that democracy means the rule of the majority. They had the majority of the newspaper staff, but Zayas wouldn't even print their footnote.

Meantime Premier Castro reveals that Zayas' "freedom of the press" was not quite free. Zayas took \$200,000 in payment from dictator Batista for supporting his regime!

"Old Generals Never Die"

(They Only Fade Into \$100,000 a Year Jobs!)

A few weeks ago General Nathan Twining was in the headlines with an \$18,000 dinner he provided for some retired Army and Navy buddies - at government expense.

The \$18,000 itself was small potatoes. The American capitalists do not begrudge the big-time soldier boys a little fun at such "small" expense to the taxpayers. (Especially since they know very well that this dinner was really a business dinner, and Twining's buddies were in reality salesmen for some of America's largest corporations!)

But all of a sudden it was announced that Twining had decided to retire. A suspicious worker might believe that this was because Twining had a lot more to answer for than just the \$18,000. And the worker's suspicion would be right.

But with all the gravy that Twining must have got over the years, he still is not finished. He is only "retired."

Top Army officers do not say: "Life begins at forty." They say: "Life begins at retirement."

This is not because of the fat retirement pay of these high officers and the short enlistment necessary to get it be-



Dan Kimball Ex-Sec'y of Navy Now OWNER of Aerojet-General Co. General Dynamics



Frank Pace Ex-Sec'y Army Now President of

fore they "die in bed." It is for another and far more lucrative reason.

Literally hundreds of the top career officers of the U.S. Army and Navy get cushy jobs with corporations after "re-tirement." These corporations are almost invariably companies that do business with the armed services.

Do we mean there is some dishonesty or graft involved?

We do. And plenty.

Take Lockheed Aircraft, for instance. It hires twenty-one retired admirals and a brigadier general. (Needless to say, Lockheed does more business with the Navy than with the Army.) Most of these officers knew they were going to work in Lockheed after "retirement" when they were still in active service:

And since they knew they were going to work in Lockheed, they influenced the government to make huge purchases from Lockheed.

And that isn't the half of it.

\$5 Million Gravy!

Comptroller General Joseph Campbell charges that the Treasury shelled out at least \$5 million more than "necessary" because Lockheed and several other companies were favored by the Navy and Air Force. The latter failed "to compel the contractors to furnish actual cost data.

This is a political way of saying that the companies charged the government



Gen. Chidler Adm. L. B. Richardson Thompson Prod. General Dynamics \$33,000 \$67,000

what they felt like charging - or what they thought they could get away with. And the Navy and Air Force brass helped them do it!

And that still isn't the half of it!

Senator Paul Douglas says that the country's 100 biggest defense contractors hire 721 high-ranking retired military officers. And these 100 companies hold 74 per cent of all defense contracts!

Coincidence?

According to the same source, some 85 per cent of all defense contracts were given out by "negotiated agreement" rather than by award to the lowest bid-

Who "negotiated" for the government? The admirals and generals who will later get cushy jobs with the same corporations.

Who "negotiated" for the companies?

The companies' ex-admirals and exgenerals who are the old friends and cronies of the present admirals and gen-

Still don't believe it?-Here's an outstanding example:

Sometime ago, the McDonnell Aircraft Company of St. Louis made defective jet planes and sold them to the govern-

New Crackdown?

Washington, Jan. 15-An armed services subcommittee recommended that former military officers and civilian defense officials be prevented from soliciting business for defense contractors until two years after they leave the armed services.

If this law is ever passed, it may possibly slow down the worst graft in government purchasing. But it will not break the bonds that tie the generals to big business.

These bonds are in blood as well as money. And where the capitalists' own sons do not become officers, they make the officers their

A Morgan partner's daughter, for example, married Douglas Mac-

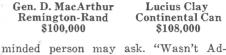
ment. These planes, known as "Demons," were finally judged unsafe and unflyable. But not until there had been half a dozen crashes, and allegedly two to six pilots' lives lost in them.

Rear Admiral Lloyd Harrison, deputy chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics, opposed termination of the contract with the McDonnell Corporation. (McDonnell got \$154 million out of the deal.)

"What's wrong with that?" a fair-



Remington-Rand \$100,000



miral Harrison just trying to help the McDonnell Corporation unravel the "bugs" from their product? He might have been honestly trying to help the company develop a better plane mightn't he?"

But in September, 1955, Admiral Har-rison retired. And the day after he retired he became an officer of the Mc-Donnell Aircraft Cororation!

It was later established that the honest admiral had been approached by the company to take the job several months before his "retirement."

But It's All Legal!

This is all perfectly legal under the American capitalist system of course. And the chiseling of millions out of workers' tax money to say nothing of the murder of the young pilots, is legal

When four-star Admiral Ben Moreel became president of Jones and Laughlin Steel Company at a salary of \$150,-000 a year, and boosted his company's sales by 50 per cent (mostly to the government), this was "good business"

But when the employees of the admiral wanted a few cents raise in pay, the newspapers accused them of robbing the "public" with inflation, featherbedding, and general irresponsibility!

The infamous union-busting Remington Rand also has millions in government contracts. And it too has its share of top ex-brass hats negotiating skyhigh contracts.

Lieutenant General Leslie R. Groves is now vice president, director, and chairman of Remington Rand's administrative committee. Salary: \$42,000 per

One Co. — 55 Officers!

General Douglas MacArthur, chairman of the board, same company. Salary and director's fees: \$100,000.

(The "hero" of the war with Janan is not only a good profitable connection for lush contracts with the government. He is also a famous laborhater who led the U.S. troops in shooting down veterans of the First World War during the Bonus March in Washington, 1932. Obviously, he can serve his "new" masters in several capacities.)

A former chief aide and pal of Mac-Arthur, Major General Courtney S. Whitney now serves a Rand affiliate, the Sperry-Rand Corporation. General Dynamics Corporation, which

started out as a "war baby" with only a few million dollars capitalization is now hooked up with the billionaire companies, and is big business in its own right. It milks the government for hundreds of millions now.

Besides General Joseph T. McNarney, its president (salary: \$100,000 per year), it employs 54 ex-officers. These include seventeen admirals, one Army general, two Air Force generals, and five Marine Corps generals.

There is another honorable servant of his country named Lucius D. Clay. He was a general of the Army who became High Commissioner for Germany after the war. He did some very important work for American capitalism at that time. And he got his reward in a job as chairman of Continental Can at a cool \$108,000 a year.

He was mainly responsible for boosting the company's sales from \$398 million in 1950 to \$616 million in 1954, a great part of this in government con-

But on May 6, 1959, the Comptroller General charged that the government had wasted \$7 million during the preceding two years by using Continental's tin cans, instead of plastic bags, for shipping cheese and dried milk to poor

Crooked — Who Says So?

Is there anything crooked or illegal about all this?

Not at all! Not under the capitalist system where the greatest virtue is to make money!

Only actual robbing at gun-point is illegal. And only the poor indulge in such crimes. You have to be rich to commit the real crimes.

You must remember too, that all the above incidents are relatively small, compared to the size of the stolen fortunes of the wealthy U.S. rulers of whom these generals and admirals are only the well-paid servants.

The Army and Navy brass used to be considered incorruptible servants of the capitalist class as a whole.

But if this was ever really so it certainly is not so today. The top officers who carry the direct responsibility for the lives of millions of American boys and girls are today just vulgar grafters, petty politicians - and mur-

Take Tranquilizers!

Washington, Jan. 8 - The Army-Navy-Air Force Journal said today that:

"It won't be identified as such, but President Eisenhower's fiscal 1961 military budget will seek funds for purchase of more than one million dollars worth of tran-

That's about \$900,000 profit for the drug companies.

The tranquilizers may be needed, of course. But not by any generals worrying that the armed service subcommittee's proposed will spoil their racket!

















From left to right: Lieutenant General Ira Eaker, Douglas Aircraft, salary: \$33,000. General Joseph McNarney, General Dynamics, salary: \$100,000. Admiral Wm. M. Fechteler, General Electric, salary not published. General Leslie R. Groves, Remington Rand, salary \$37,000. Major General Edward M. Power, vice president, Curtiss-Wright. Lieutenant General James Doolittle, Thompson Products, salary: \$50,000. Lieutenant General E. R. Quesada, Lockheed Aircraft, salary not published. Admiral Ben Moreel, Jones & Laughlin Steel, salary: \$150,000.