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Rob Williams Safe in Cuba!

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The Slip and Makes It
To Freedom

Friday, Sept. 29, The Monroe Defense Committee, 53 West 125 St., New York, N.Y., was informed early this morning by William Worthy, Foreign Correspondent of the Baltimore Afro-American, who is now in Cuba, that Robert F. Williams, former head of Union County, North Carolina NAACP, forced to flee his home, has now been granted asylum in Cuba.

Mr. Worthy gave no indication of Mr. Williams' present whereabouts in Cuba, or how long he had been there—although it is assumed Williams has been there several days.

Mr. Worthy also informed the committee that Mr. Williams will conduct a press conference on Saturday, September 30, and that a direct statement from Mr. Williams to the Monroe Defense Committee will be forthcoming in the immediate future.

Rob Williams has fought for racial equality for many years. He has been known and admired for his policies of direct action. He and his friends continually defied the armed Ku Klux Klan and traded shots with its hooded gangsters on several occasions.

Currently "Wanted" pictures of Williams are being shown in U.S. local post offices referring to him as a dangerous criminal,

Williams has now escaped this vicious, racist dragnet and every friend of Black Freedom will rejoice.

FBI Winks At Carolina Rapists; Hounds Black Liberation Leader

Dept. of Justice (for some)

Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy, head of the Department of Justice and boss of the FBI, has just advised dropping nuclear bombs to "defend freedom."

—What freedom, Mr. Kennedy?
The freedom to rape, lynch and torture Afro-Americans without fear of punishment by your henchmen?

Too Busy Framing Rob Williams for "Kidnapping" To Worry About Protecting Teen Age Black Girls

The Monroe Defense Committee, 53 West 125 St., New York City, issued a press release on September 22, entitled: "Urgent Communique From Black Citizens of Monroe." It says in part: "On September 16 in Union County,

"On September 16 in Union County, North Carolina, an Afro-American girl was beaten and raped by four white men. While she was walking home at 7:30 P.M., four white men jumped from their car, grabbed the girl and dragged her into a cornfield where they raped

"After the incident, she went to the local police station at Marshville, North Carolina. She told the policemen of the attack upon her and the fact that she could identify the attackers. The cops listened but refused to do anything about the crime against her. She went to the Union County Sheriff's office in Monroe, and they also refused to take any action to track down the criminals.

"As the news spread among Afro-Americans in Union County, tempers began to rise to the boiling point. A group notified the FBI. They were told by agents that this was a local matter; therefore the FBI could not intervene."

Robert F. Williams, militant leader of the Monroe Afro-American community, now a fugitive from jimcrow "justice"—had on several occasions demanded the U.S. Department of "Justice" (which employs the F.B.I.) to protect the rights of Afro-Americans in Union County. His pleas were ignored.

But when the Monroe white-supremacists decided to have a showdown last month and moved in upon peaceful pickets with guns and clubs, and the Afrocamerican people fought back—then all the troops of law enforcement including the FBI entered Union County with a vengeance!

The FBI secret police are still lurking around Monroe, and from latest reports, hundreds of these vile agents are scouring the country for Williams.

They are supposedly seeking him because he allegedly "kidnapped" a white (Continued on page three)

Latin American Way of Life—Courtesy of Wall St.



This is not a farm. It is the city dump in Lima, Peru, where 10,000 people make their living (alongside of the hogs), salvaging tin cans and bottles, etc. See editorial, page 2.

GM Strike: Reuther Couldn't Stop It!

By L. Bird

The repressed militancy of the UAW rank and file has exploded into the national arena and has served notice that the old days and the old ways of containing the class struggle are approaching an end.

This has been amply demonstrated by the fighting spirit of the auto workers from coast to coast, in spite of tremendous pressure exerted by the strikebreaking intervention of the Kennedy administration, and the frantic attempts of the Reuther machine to clamp a lid on the struggle.

Although the national contract expired on August 31, Reuther (with the connivance of Kennedy and the blessings of GM), managed to shove two contract extensions down the throats of the GM workers.

But on Sept. 12, Reuther, for reasons explained later, could not hold the tide back longer. And so the dam broke, as 265,000 workers from 93 of GM's 129 plants, hit the bricks, and shut down GM on a nation-wide basis for the first time since 1945. Two days later, Kennedy, bypassing the use of his stooges, stepped in for the first time directly, and arregantly ordered the strikers back to

work—on the company's terms—by the following Monday, for the "good of the country" (i.e. capitalist class.)

At this point Reuther could not call for another contract extension, and even made some seemingly militant statements in his typical demagogic manner. But the real reason behind Reuther's "militancy" was revealed by Victor Riesel, ace anti-Labor reporter in his column of September 14:

"In one city the 'rebels' told their own local chiefs to go to hell. In another the local executive board replied to a goback-to-work order from Detroit with basic Anglo-Saxon words unprintable here."

Riesel further reports on an explanatory telegram sent from union headquarters in Detroit to Washington. The message read in part:

"The wildcat walkouts were led by militants so strike-happy that Reuther would have had to battle his own men to get them back. If he had denounced them and they rebuffed him, it could have wildfired into open rebellion."

According to Riesel, Reuther counted on a *controlled* stoppage so that the strike leadership could remain in his hands.

On September 13, Reuther was forced to postpone a meeting of the GM National Council, composed of local presidents and bargaining chairmen—a meeting which had been designed to wash out local demands and force the rank and file back to work.

On September 20, Reuther, feeling confident of the outcome, re-scheduled the meeting. Although the Council voted to accept the national agreement, it stunned Reuther by voting for a general strike to support local demands.

Reuther, who just prior to the meeting had stated that the local unions would have to go along with the Council's decision, immediately reversed himself and in a furious, brazen and arrogant rage, attacked the Council's mandate, and said that the International Executive Board would not authorize a general strike and that in effect the democratic decision of the National

Council was null and void.

The following day Reuther unveiled his "master plan" which involved bringing to Detroit union and management representatives of plants whose local issues remained unsettled, to speed up the return to work. This was done with the approval of top GM officials.

Reuther then rammed this through the Council, after a night of brainwashing, and finally secured their approval—but not without opposition. In one of the most craven displays of subservience towards the capitalist class since the days of the Tobins and Greens, Reuther told the Council:

"We don't want to fight anybody especially General Motors."

This whole series of events makes it plain that the rank and file are in revolt against the policies of the Reuther machine, and that this is reflected by the action of the National Council whose members are being pushed from below.

In plant after plant, workers have shown that they are learning valuable lessons from this experience. As one worker put it, "Who in the hell asked Kennedy to stick his strikebreaking nose in this?"

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Admit Peoples China to UN!

Why are the U.S. imperialists so dead set against admission of People's China into the UN?

Because this would break the stranglehold of imperialism on the world body!

It is true that China, which contains a quarter of humanity within its borders, would have only one vote in the UN, while 20 puppets of American Big Business each have a vote in the UN-and all 20 combined do not have one-third of China's population!

But the world-wide class struggle is not always determined by the counting of noses-particularly in Wall Street's rigged elections in the UN.

Actually, there is already a shift against U.S. Big Business within the UN. This is not merely due to the addition of a dozen or more small nations, most of whose rulers generally support capitalism. It is due to the greatly increased strength, power and prestige of the Soviet Union, whom these countries regard as an important factor in their own political survival.

The addition of People's China to the UN and the ouster of the Chiang Kai

Council would shift the relation of forces still further. More precisely, it would help to reflect the true relation of class forces within the UN.

If this happens of course, the UN would be of little service to U.S. imperialism and the movement to scuttle it would grow immensely.

In the meantime, however, membership in the UN is a form of recognition of People's China by the nations of the world, an aid to China's trade and normal foreign relations-and by that token, an aid to its socialist development.

This great advantage far outweighs the remote chance that China would then soften its revolutionary attitude toward imperialism.

And it far outweighs the possible chance that more illusions would grow up concerning the UN being a keeper of the peace.

On the contrary, it will be in the struggle to gain People's China its rightful place in the UN that millions will learn for the first time just what the nature of the UN really is.

Big Bankers Need Little Slaves

George E. Sokolsky, one of the Hearst Press's better-known pen-prostitutes revealed (perhaps unwittingly) on September 18, exactly why the U.S. bankers need the UN.

He was discussing what would happen if the United States withdrew from the UN.

"Let the Africans run the United Nations and pay its bills," he said.

"Then the highly moralistic, weak and backward nations will discover that without the protection of the United States, they would sink to semi-colonies of Soviet Russia, little slaves to the

Kremlin, instructed from day to day."

-Whereas under the "protection of the United States," they can remain happy as semi-colonies of Wall Street, little slaves of Sokolsky's billion-dollar bosses, instructed from day to day by Hammarskjold's hypocritical, doublefaced, Wall Street-chosen successor.

What Sokolsky is really saying in almost so many words is that United States Big Business is using the UN in order to keep the "weak and backward nations" from going Communist. And that when this proves impossible, the U.S. will ditch the UN.

Prado, JFK Make Deal on Cuba

After a talk with John F. Kennedy, President of the United States, Manuel Prado, President of Peru, announced on September 21 that he would welcome a counter-revolutionary Cuban "government-in-exile" in Peru.

Of course, Prado is a Latin American mouthpiece for Kennedy and Wall Street. So much so that the New York Times says he "found a much more receptive mood for his ideas in Congress and at the White House than he is likely to encounter in most of the Hemisphere.

But it is very understandable that Prado should want to overthrow Castro on his own as well as acting for the United States. Prado is a landholder. And the Cuban revolution divided the lands of the big Cuban landholders without compensation.

Prado is part of Peru's aristocracy. He and his friends live in homes costing \$100,000 and up on the outskirts of his capital city, Lima.

Also on the outskirts of Lima is the city dump, where 10,000 Peruvians make their living burrowing (along with pigs) for a possible \$1 per day living. There are 200,000 other residents of Lima living in unspeakable poverty, disease and degradation-perhaps even worse than the masses lived under Batista.

The rule of the policeman's club prevails and political opponents of Prado's regime are often thrown into prison without trial. Sometimes they just dis-

Miro Cardona and his counter-revolutionary Cuban "government-in-exile" should be right at home.

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Wall St. Fears UN Troika Plan Will "Paralyze" U.S. Control

The "liberal" capitalists in the United States are working might and main to "save" the UN and prevent the Soviets from "paralyzing" it with their proposal for a three man General Secretariat-the famed "Troika" plan.

This campaign to "save" the UN should more rightly be called "Operation Hypocrisy." The only thing they are sincerely trying to save is U.S. Big Business control of the UN.

The UN is thought by innocent people (and the vast and overwhelming majority of humanity is completely innocent of the cynical, murderous manipulations of the UN by the imperialists)-to be an "impartial" world organization.

But never once in all its 17 years of existence, has the UN taken any action that hurt the interests of the U.S.

This is quite a record. Even the triplebarrelled, anti-labor, Wall Street-owned U.S. Congress can hardly match it. (Congress had to give in to U.S. working class pressure once in a while.)

But capitalist politicians are great specialists at confusing the masses. Would you ever dream, for example, after hearing the hymns to the memory of the gentle Hammarskjold and seeing the exalted drawings of the bereaved goddess of Peace (who is somehow made to look like his mourning widow) that the noble fellow was a banker?

Well, he was. A Swedish banker. And an able defender of American bankers,

Now that he is dead, there is a big crisis because the Soviet Union will not agree to a successor in his image, and is pressing for its three-man Secretariat

To hear Kennedy and his chorus of "liberal" jackals, you'd think that the Soviet Union would take over the UN if the three-man Secretariat were put into operation. But the Soviet Union would have one man on the Secretariat and the United States would also have one man.

Of course this would mean that the U.S. bankers would have only one-third of a Secretary where formerly they had the whole Secretary. And that would be too bad for the bankers. But that's about the size of it.

Then a third man would be chosen, but not from the so-called "neutral" nations such as Sweden and Norway, who are actually capitalist nations whose banks are hand-in-glove with the Wall Street banks. The third man would be chosen from the Asian-African world of oppressed colonial and semi-colonial countries. (This is about a third of humanity—not counting China.)

Adlai Stevenson, the darling of the "liberals" and probably the most skillful professional hypocrite the U.S. billionaires have available for fancy politics in the UN, says that this three-man proposition would "paralyze" the UN.

It never occurred to Adlai to tell us the UN was "paralyzed" over Algeria, over Bizerte, over South Africa or over the Afro-American people in the United States, when his beloved Swedish banker was defending the "peace" all by him-

In the name of honest politics and plain common sense, we'd be fools to say that under the three-man Secretariat, the UN would become a force to help the African revolution or the Afro-American liberation struggle substantially. But other things would be tremendously improved.

The UN would more likely become a talk-shop (if the imperialists did not destroy it). But wouldn't it be infinitely better for it to be a talk-shop than to have it sending UN troops (in U.S. planes) to put down revolutions in Korea, Viet Nam, Congo, etc., in the name of peace?

If the U.S. bankers want to put down revolutions, let them try it themselves. Then, at least, it would become clear who is doing what to whom.

Ghanaians Now Lead Own Army

A development of great importance to the African Revolution took place in Ghana on Sept. 22. President Kwame Nkrumah took over the command of the Ghanaian Armed Forces.

Gen. Henry Alexander, a Briton, was replaced by Major General S.J.A. Otu, a Ghanaian, as Chief of Staff of the Ghanaian Armed Forces. (Alexander was the commander of the Ghanaian contingent in the U.N. invasion of the Congo, before that contingent was withdrawn on orders of President Nkrumah.)

An official statement said that all positions of command in Ghana's armed forces would be held by Ghanaians, and that the necessary appointments to these positions would be made by Ghanaians.

In the past these positions of command were held chiefly by British or Canadian officers.

World's Worst War Mongers Suddenly Against Nuclear Testing

The warmongering, war-plotting, Big Business politicians of the United States are trying to divert the people's attention from their war plans by pointing to the Soviet Union's atomic tests. (The Soviet Union still has not made as many tests as the United States.)

They are accusing the Russians of raising the radioactivity of the atmos-

Put if this is such an important matter, why are the U.S. policy makers considering an actual nuclear war with the Soviet Union? If the thought of hundreds of deformed human beings is such a painful prospect for these self-styled friends of humanity, then how can they face the much more painful prospect of hundreds of millions killed as well as deformed, including their own country-

Recently, Senator Margaret Chase Smith, a prominent member of the powerful Senate Armed Services Committee, criticized Kennedy for building up conventional (non-nuclear) strength.

In one of her rare speeches on the Senate floor, September 21, she said that Kennedy's conventional army buildup is giving the Soviets the impression that the U.S. will not start a nuclear war over Berlin. And this, she said, was

She said, in part: "The Administration practically told Khrushchev that we do not have the will to use that one power with which we can stop him. In short, we have the nuclear capability, but not the nuclear credibility."

This particular Senator happens to be well-known conservative (not a "lunatic fringe" reactionary), who speaks for a much more substantial section of the capitalist class than, for example, Senator Strom Thurmond. She is known to choose her words with extreme care.

Moreover, she made her Senate speech the same day General Curtis Le May, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Air Force was saying the same thing much more emphatically, to the Air Force Association-to great applause.

Senator Margaret Chase Smith and her capitalist buddies are not losing a minute's sleep over the fall-out giving hundreds or thousands of workers radiation sickness.

They're too busy figuring out how and when they can drop the bombs right in the midst of millions of workers, and annihilate them.

Buffalo Workers Defy Local Gestapo And Picket Visiting Newburgh Official

By Theodore Kovalesky

A special motorcycle police brigade, police dogs and plain clothesmen were called out last week to try to intimidate a spirited demonstration which protested Newburgh's anti-labor city manager speaking in Buffalo.

Joseph Mitchell, City Manager of Newburgh was attempting to sell his vicious Newburgh no-welfare plan.

The militant organizations who picketed Mitchell have already been in action against the welfare authorities of Buffalo and have won substantial gains for the workers there-particularly the Afro-American workers who are especially hard-hit by vicious welfare laws since they are "the last to be hired and the first to be fired."

The following is a first-hand account. *

The speaker, a well-dressed man, whose smooth jowls gave him a somewhat porcine appearance, paused to read the note handed him by a rather flustered flunky. His lip curled, and he said, "I'm honored to be picketed by the deadbeats of society."

(Joseph Mitchell, parasite and real deadbeat City Manager of Newburgh, New York, refuses to pay his obligations to the people his class has thrown on the scrapheap.)

He was speaking in Buffalo's Hotel Lafayette to an admiring audience of semi-fascists from the so-called Sons of the American Revolution and the Society of Colonial Wars, bringing them the message of his brutal welfare plan, teaching them how to be deadbeats on a big scale.

Outside the hotel, a line of determined people, predominantly Afro-American, marched back and forth carrying signs that read:

"Mitchell, Enemy of All Unemployed," "Unemployment is No Crime," "Black and White, Fight Newburgh Plan" and many more. One small boy carried the legend: "My Daddy Wants to Work for Wages, Not Relief!"

There were 25 to 40 pickets on the line during the demonstration.

It began this way: About 7 P.M., the pickets arrived. They were members of the Mothers Alliance, the Committee for

Afro-American Freedom, and the Union of Unemployed Workers Opposed to Forced Labor, along with others who also loathed Newburgh's Let-the-Poor-Go-Hungry Plan. But they were not first on the scene.

Awaiting them were six silver motorcycles drawn up at the curb with almost military precision. The drivers, burly, helmeted, pistol-packing cops. stood around grimly, a little apart from members of the Buffalo Police Department Anti-Subversive Squad, scowling, bulky men in plain clothes.

Ignoring the forces of intimidation,

let headlined, "Newburgh Plan Makes Unemployment a Crime," which exposed the Newburgh Plan as a police state measure which menaces the entire American working class. A long, white police station wagon pulled up, a sort of police mobile library. The subversive squad members went over to it and began leafing through a number of books presented by the cops driving it. Apparently they were books of the city statutes, and the cops were searching for some law that might serve

the pickets began their march while

others of their group distributed a leaf-

orderly. No picket seemed to be guilty of price-fixing or income tax evasion. So the librarian closed up shop and drove off. And the line marched on. Later on, another station wagon came to a stop, deep-throated roars pouring from its interior. It was the Canine Corps squad car (driven by a biped), and the furious barking was the result of the shaggy, four-footed cop's being teased-from a position of safety outside the car window-by a member of the subversive squad. The cop wanted to

to drive the pickets from the sidewalk.

But the demonstrators did not spit on

the sidewalk nor otherwise litter the

premises. No one was drunk or dis-

The pickets heard and marched on. And none were observed to blanche or tremble. In fact, there were even people who defied this intimidation and joined

make sure that every picket heard the

enraged voice of his canine colleague.

They marched on until the time scheduled for them to stop, and then they marched down the street in good order and disbanded at a nearby parking

The local press, radio and television gave wide coverage to the event, and the workers in Buffalo got a good lesson in how to keep out of Newburgh's prison of the poor.



Afro-American Leadership is the Issue!

Why Two Defense Committees?

The Monroe Defense Committee was first initiated in New York City by several people including members of On Guard for Freedom, a Black Liberation group-and now includes members of Williams' own group, the Crusaders for Freedom, also an Afro-American organization. The committee has temporary headquarters in On Guard's office at 53 West 125 St. in Harlem.

Supporters of the committee, both black and white, have come forward from all walks of life and various organizations and political parties. Many supporters have no organizational con-

Unfortunately, there is another body purporting to constitute itself the defense committee for the Monroe vietims. And the activities of this other body, no matter what its good intentions, have thrown confusion into the defense work. and may yet end in dampening the enthusiasm of broad mass support.

According to Calvin Hicks, executive secretary of the Harlem-based Monroe Defense Committee, the real issue is Afro-American leadership.

The rival committee is led by progressive white people who retained Conrad Lynn, well-known Afro-American civil rights attorney, who has a background in the Monroe struggle.

Mr. Hicks told Workers World that he would welcome the above-mentioned progressive individuals as supporters of his committee and pointed to the long list of black and white sponsors on his own committee's stationery.

He also seemed hopeful of securing so experienced and able an attorney as Conrad Lynn to work alongside of the committee's present well-qualified attorney. Len Holt of the law firm of Jordan, Dawley and Holt in Norfolk, Virginia.

Mr. Hicks summed up his attitude toward the downtown committee as fol-

"We are more than willing to accept the support of our white progressive friends, as our own list of supporters should prove. But right now these particular friends want to dominate us rather than just to support us.

"They even offered us considerable financial assistance—and later withdrew it, when we insisted upon our own lead-

"We were shocked at this, and pretty angry at the time. But I still do not entirely blame them for their actions because it is extremely hard for them to understand why we feel the way we do."

Mr. Hicks said that some of these progressives appeared to be surprised and unduly aroused by the Afro-American composition of the leadereship of his committee, and by the fact that it wanted to make its own decisions on its own responsibility, etc. Some of these progressives actually stated that they would not support a committee with only an Afro-American leadership.

At this point, Mr. Hicks smiled and recalled that his people had supported committees with white leadership for as long as he could remember.

But he emphasized again that the committee was seeking support in all quarters including those of his present rivals.

"Considering that Williams' own organization, both in Monroe and in New York, is Afro-American," he added, "it seems a logical extension to have an Afro-American group conducting the main defense work for the victimized followers of Williams.

"And considering that various white progressives helped Williams with funds and in other ways, it also seems logical that they should continue to support the defense committee without demanding the leadership of it."

There can be any number of theories as to how Black Liberation is going to be won. But a growing number of militant Afro-Americans are becoming convinced that it can only be won under black leadership.

They certainly have earned the right -after three and a half centuries of experience-to have an opinion of their own. And white progressives can at the very least give them the benefit of the doubt, especially in a case like this, which directly involves the lives and liberty of Afro-American people.

—Carolina Rapists

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couple whom he kept in his house for two and a half hours while an Afro-American crowd on the street outside were threatening them during the racist provocations of last August. (Williams later got the couple to safety.) This is considered a national, not a lo-

But when four identifiable brutes abduct a teen-age girl and savagely rape her, this is only a "local matter"! Of course, the "local" authorities are deaf, dumb and blind to this particular "local" matter, because their own degenerate blood-brothers of the racist mob are in-

The FBI and the federal authorities do not stand one inch higher in the human scale than these small-town sadists. We must not be fooled by the fact that they have a few more grades of education and speak a little better English than the Southern goons. They are racists, too.

If four Afro-Americans had done what these white racists did to a white girl — they would have been beaten, gouged, dismembered and torn into unrecognizable pieces by a "local" mob. And the mob would have been organized and led by the "local" police and given a certificate of good conduct by the FBI.

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Another comment also heard frequently is "Everyone knows you can't get anything from GM without a fight, but if we're going to be free to fight, Reuther's gotta' go!

The press reports that Reuther grabbed the reins just in time to prevent a complete runaway. But it is clear that the reins remain in his hands only temporarily. The magnificent militancy of the UAW rank and file, which like a sleeping giant has awakened and unflexed its muscles, makes it clear that the objective conditions have ripened and placed on the order of the day, the need for an organized left wing anti-

Reuther opposition.

The leading militants have deep confidence that the rank and file will recognize this need, and as in the 'Thirties. when the AFL leadership was shoved aside, the day is fast approaching when the present bankrupt leadership will be swept out, in order for the workers to effectively battle the capitalist class.

GDR Helps Cubans

About forty Cubans wounded while resisting the U.S.-sponsored attack on their country last April will receive medical treatment by specialists in the German Democratic Republic (East GerImperalists Plot and Counter-Plot in the Congo, But-

The Tide of Lumumba's Revolution is Rising Again!

The Congo strife is still not settled. And it never will be settled until the great masses have expelled *all* imperialists, including the U.S. brand.

The Congo is one of those places where intrigues and plots criss-cross one another in even more complicated fashion than in the most sophisticated European capital. And yet it is also one of those places where no compromise works for very long, and all struggles must be fought out to the end.

When the UN forces entered the Congo in July of last year, their first action was to disarm Congolese troops and plead with the oppressor Belgian troops to disarm themselves!

In actual practice, the UN troops, financed and flown in by the U.S., allied themselves with the Belgian imperialists against the radical nationalism of Lumumba's forces.

When this became too obvious, and some of the Belgian troops had to retire, the UN troops allied themselves to the Katanga troops of Moise Tshombe, of Katanga, an African ally and puppet of the Belgians. This operation ended with Tshombe's murder of the great nationalist leader, Lumumba, organized and

abbetted by the UN under Hammar-

This setback for African nationalism naturally strengthened the hand of the Belgian imperialists who had (and still have) all the connections, background, technical instruments and know-how for the exploitation of the Congo.

The UN command did not want to give the Congo back to the Belgians, but wanted to open it up for the exploitation by the United States. But events convinced the UN command that neither Belgian nor U.S. exploitation could continue in the old, crude, openly murderous way.

The UN—and Hammarskjold in particular—finally realized that the Congolese leaders would have to be guaranteed a measure of political independence greater than the Belgians gave them on July 1, 1960 (but less than Lumumba wanted), in order to get the co-operation of the Congo masses in the further European and American exploitation of their land. And moreover, this would have to include centralization of the regime.

This meant no Katanga secession.

That's why Hammarskjold authorized

the UN army assault on Katanga a few weeks ago. But the Cease Fire he was negotiating with Katanga just before his death was equally consistent with UN and U.S. aims.

He was afraid of the UN's Katanga operation turning into a great civil war between the genuine Congo nationalists and the Katanga secessionist puppets of Belgium and other colonial powers. Such a war would have washed right over the heads of the UN and could have become a great Congo revolution.

While Hammarskjold was pre-occupied with the dangers from the "right"—that is, Belgium, Tshombe and Katanga, a new danger was growing up from the "left" in Leopoldville. This was a parliamentary shift to the left which was like a hurricane warning to the astute Hammarskjold. It undoubtedly made him realize that the masses themselves might soon come into action.

The Adoula Cabinet (of the Central Congo) was pledging a "return to Lumumbism" and speaking in the name of a united Congo, with Gizenga, Lumumba's lieutenant, as First Deputy Prime Minister.

At first, Hammarskjold may have dis-

missed this as something like the hypocritical references to George Washington and Thomas Jefferson made by U.S. capitalist politicians.

But more was involved.

According to the Stanleyville paper, Uhuru (Freedom), the members of political parties forming the National Bloc led by Lumumba, now held 23 portfolios in the new Cabinet of 40 members—an absolute majority.

Hammarskjold had talked to many of these individuals and assured himself that they were not "firebrands" and was inclined to discount this summer's talk about the "radicals" getting into power again in the Congo. But the "radicals" kept getting more

But the "radicals" kept getting more radical. One of the leaders of the powerful new Lumumba National Party told a mass rally on August 27:

"We have come out winners in the fight against the Belgian colonialists. Now, however, we have a more formidable and stronger enemy before us—American imperialism which is seeking to dominate the Congo."

This is why the UN tanks and troops were needed more in the central Congo than in Katanga!

U.S. Sends Big Brass to Japan To Warn Against China Trade

In November of this year, the United States plans to send six high ranking Cabinet officials on a diplomatic mission to Japan. The six Cabinet officers are:

Secretary of State Rusk, Treasury Secretary Dillon, Labor Secretary Goldberg, Commerce Secretary Hodges, as well as the secretaries of Agriculture and the Interior.

The U.S. press states that "No such top-ranking government group has ever before gone abroad on a single mission." The mission follows by a few months a visit to the U.S. by Japanese president Ikeda.

The question may be asked: why is there such a sudden intensification of economic and diplomatic relations between the U.S. and Japan? This question assumes greater interest when it is noted that just a few short years ago these same two countries were locked together in a bloody struggle of near-annihilation!

Charles Lucey of the Scripps-Howard press gives as the reason for the diplomatic missions the securing of a "working partnership" between the two countries. Translated into meaningful language, however, "working partnership" means that United States Big Business wants to re-orient Japan's trade to the benefit of U.S. imperialism.

Despite the fact that imports of Japanese textiles will compete with native U.S. manufacturers, the U.S. wants Japanese exports because of the ominous alternative, namely: trade between Japan and China.

China, with 650 million people and in close geographical proximity to Japan, represents a natural market for Japanese industry and a logical trading partner of Japan. The fact that trade be-

tween the two countries is now negligible is a monstrous anomaly, an anomaly which exists solely because of U.S. pressure on Japan.

Trade between Japan and China,

Trade between Japan and China, apart from benefiting Japanese capitalism, will also benefit *China*, and United States Big Business will undertake any measure it can to hinder the economic development of the Chinese Peoples' Republic.

Blocking of Sino-Japanese trade is just such a measure.

Chinese Engineering Graduates Will Surpass U.S. Before Long

The capitalist press has been screaming with horrendous reports of the terrible conditions it claims the Chinese people are living under.

"People are living on as little as 600 calories per day," says a British report, according to Joseph Alsop. "Even if we take the American figure" (meaning the estimate of the extremely unreliable CIA) "of 960 calories, this is still less than a steady diet of Metrecal taken by Americans who are trying to lose weight?"

Alsop goes on to show that the Chinese are literally starving, disease-ridden and incapable of any kind of serious work because of the 900 calorie "deficiency diet."

throughout the country which subscribe to Alsop's syndicated crap.

But the right-wing bi-weekly, New

All this is printed in the New York

Herald Tribune and other papers

Leader, tells a different story.

The New Leader is no friend of People's China. In fact, its September 18 story is written with the idea of proving that China is a terrible—and powerful enemy of the United States.

"During the period 1957-62," it says,
"Peking will graduate about 190,000
new Engineers and 35,000 new scientists
... and next year, the annual number
of engineering graduates may approach
the level of 40,000-45,000 currently being graduated in the United States."

Now what does it take to turn out the same number of engineers per year as the wealthy and supposedly well-fed United States?

It takes a tremendous nation-wide school system with many millions of children going to primary schools (there are 90 million in China according to the New York Times) — funneling upward into secondary schools and colleges

In a country of starvation or nearstarvation, it is not possible for children to go to school in any numbers at all.

First, because the very association of many starving children under one roof would cause epidemics. Second, because the parents would need the children at home to work for them in the fields, etc. Nor could semi-starving children be sufficiently disciplined to attend any kind of school for any length of time.

Moreover, schools require bricks, steel, wood, cement and many other materials that have to be manufactured by reasonably well-fed workers. And the Chinese are currently planning to build many *more* schools.

It is true that great sacrifices are required of the Chinese masses to accomplish these things in a land that was so barren and really starving such a short time ago. (The United States' economic and military blockade of China is the main reason why the sacrifices have to be so great.)

But under the conditions of starvation, it is not possible, even for the hardiest of people to build a modern educational and productive system—as the Chinese are certainly doing at the fastest rate in history up to now.

Hate to Get Up in the Morning? —Look What They Do in China!

Do you live on one side of the city and work on the other side?

That's tough. And it burns you up when you have to get out of bed an hour earlier because you can't afford to move.

It's not only tough. It's crazy. Because, when you're on the way east to your plant, you pass a lot of workers going west to a plant near where you live. (They live over near the plant where you work!)

You live in the wealthiest country in the world. And yet it can't afford to do anything about this crazy situation.

But there is a country where they are doing something about it: China.

During the past 12 months, about 70,000 people in Shanghai have traded homes so as to be nearer to their work

places. An agency of the government helped them to do this.

Most of the people saved up to two hours in daily travel time. Older workers among them now have more time with their families. Younger ones are going to evening school, where they didn't go before.

In cases where a swap of *homes* cannot be arranged, the government is effecting a swap of *jobs*—at no loss in pay.

Now this is a perfectly natural common sense solution which you, yourself have thought of a hundred times. And it doesn't really take zillions of dollars as atomic missile programs and the like do. It ought to be pretty easy to do here. Only you don't see anybody doing it.

—Think it over tomorrow morning when you're trying to keep awake in the bus on your way to work. Maybe you can figure out why Communist China can do it and the capitalist USA can't.



Rally Pays Tribute to Dr. Albizu Campos

One thousand cheering supporters of Puerto Rican independence met last week to honor Dr. Pedro Albizu Campos, the imprisoned leader of Puerto Rican nationalism and long-suffering victim of Yankee imperialist barbarism.

Albizu Campos was the subject of tribute and dedication at a Rally called by Movimiento Libertador de Puerto Rico and 10 other organizations on the occasion of his 70th birthday, September 12th.

Pelegrin Garcia, the Executive Secretary of MLPR, recent victim of a brutal police attack in New York, was given a standing ovation when he entered the hall. Sr. Garcia gave voice to the growing class-conscious nationalism of oppressed countries declaring:

"Patriotism in a new sense, is love of the working-class, the peasants — the proletariat. The old concept of bourgeois nationalism is already out of mode . . ."

Rafael Cuevas, an outstanding leader in F.U.P.I. on the island itself, was cheered to the echo, when he called for an independent and socialist Puerto Rico, taking its place alongside Socialist Cuba in the workers camp.

Richard Gibson, Chairman of Fair Play for Cuba, dramatically portrayed the relation of the Cuban revolution and Puerto Rican struggle to the Afro-American struggle for freedom here at home

Carmen Miranda, of the Movimiento Pro Independencia and leaders of other organizations also spoke.