

WORKERS WORLD

Imperialist Rape of Algeria

"Democratic" Frondizi Scuttles Election

Argentine Gov't Calls Troops As Tidal Wave of Revolt Grows

BUENOS AIRES, March 19 — Just 19 days after Arturo Frondizi allowed the Argentine military to force him to break diplomatic relations with Cuba, he joined with that same military to carry out what amounts to an armed coup d'etat against his own country.

In the just-concluded nation-wide congressional and provincial elections, the Peronist followers of exiled na-

tionalist Juan D. Peron and progressive opponents of the Frondizi regime won smashing victories in at least 10 provinces.

Frondizi, at 5 A.M. this morning, after an all-night meeting with the military chiefs, ordered "federal control"—that is, practically martial law—in all provinces where the opposition had won.

The ten provinces included Buenos Aires Province where Andres Framini, a labor leader who favors a hands-off-Cuba policy, was elected by an overwhelming landslide.

The importance of this victory can be better understood when you remember that Greater Buenos Aires alone has a population of about 7 million—nearly a third of the whole population of Argentina.

As recently as March 1, the *New York Times* said:

"There is a belt around Buenos Aires in which more than a million workers live in slums. Many thousands of them feel they are forgotten and are ripe for revolutionary talk. Other cities have the same problem."

The victory of Framini and his associates is *formally* a victory for Peronism. And Peronism is a long, long way from Communism or "Castroism" and still, perhaps, a good distance from revolution. But the victory is something *beside* a victory for Peronism.

The workers of Buenos Aires were asking for more than just "Peronism" when they voted for Framini. They were voting for Castro, Communism, bread and liberty.

Frondizi and the U.S.-Argentine military gang got the message. That is why they made their desperate coup d'etat this morning.

Algerian Army of Liberation



Women Fly for China

Tokyo, March 5—Peking radio reported today that in Communist China's air force, women are pilots, navigators, and radio operators.

This is a field, where women are least represented, even in the most advanced capitalist countries.

In the old China, women used to have their feet bound.

Today they have wings.

Bail Hearing Set for April 12

Mae Mallory Still in Jail!

A hearing on a writ of habeas corpus to get Mrs. Mae Mallory out of jail and prevent her from being extradited to North Carolina is scheduled to be heard on April 12th before the Appellate Court of Ohio. The appeal is being taken from an order by Common Pleas Judge

Thomas J. Parrino who denied a writ of habeas corpus, cancelled her bail and sent her to county jail.

His decision has aroused widespread protest in the Ohio area amidst a growing campaign to gain her freedom. Typical of the gathering momentum to aid Mrs. Mallory was a resolution adopted by the U.A.W. Foundry Workers Council in the mid-west which urged her freedom. Delegates from Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and Canada were present at the meeting. In other developments, Professor Roland E. Wolfe of Western Reserve University declared that Mrs. Mae Mallory "would not get a fair trial if she is sent back to Monroe, N. C."

The jailing of Mrs. Mallory in Cleveland arises out of an order by Governor Di Salle, to send her back to North Carolina to face a framed-up kidnap charge in the Ku Klux Klan-ridden country of Monroe.

Alongside of the legal steps taken to get Di Salle to rescind the extradition order, the Monroe Defense Committee is making strenuous new efforts to gain support for Mrs. Mallory's freedom. The attorney defending Mrs. Mallory is Walter S. Haffner.

Wealth

All the best land has been taken by the Europeans. Average farms owned by Europeans are 30 times the size of those owned by Algerians—and bring 48 times the revenue. Although there are 9 Algerians for every European, the Europeans take in over half the national income.

Jobs

Virtually all skilled jobs are held by Europeans, who work in the coastal cities like Oran and Algiers. Algerians in the cities do not even average \$150 a year, when they work. In the country, they live on less than \$50 a year.

Housing

Beautiful quarters are for Europeans. Algerians are forced into overcrowded slums.

Literacy

Over 75 percent of the Algerians have been kept illiterate.

When and If Peace Comes to Algeria—

U.S. Monopolists Plot to Take Over

The U.S. is trying to step into the shoes of the French imperialists. When and if the French finally get out of Algeria, the U.S. intends to supplant its old colonial partner by a vast and intricate economic link-up with its tremendous stake in Iran, Kuwait, Iraq, Saudi Arabia and other areas of the vast Asian-African treasure house.

The key to all this is OIL—which still ranks first among all the economic interests the U.S. has abroad. When King Ibn Saud first arrived in this country several years ago, Eisenhower

arranged a sumptuous dinner for him at the White House. The 12 top-ranking guests were not the 12 senior officers in the State Department, but the 12 board chairmen of the largest oil companies having interests abroad.

Much of U.S. diplomatic and military policy is geared to oil and the fabulous profits it brings to the possessing class in the USA. It would of course be crude and narrow to believe that the U.S. policy in Algeria or the entire Middle East is based solely on the investment and profits which accrue to the U.S. monopolies. The broad class

interests of the U.S. ruling class in the long run supersede any specific economic interest. And in the global struggle which the U.S. is waging today against the onswep of the liberation movements throughout the world, at stake is not merely oil, uranium, copper and other valuable minerals, but the world imperialist system itself.

Nonetheless, the stimulus and the pivot for the beginning of every new adventure by U.S. foreign policy makers are always the specific economic interests of this or that huge monopoly, whose profits are immediately involved.



Sinclair Oil Corp. Board of Directors — They plot to make Algeria part of THEIR Empire. (See Page 4)

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"Democratic" Persecution of CP

While Robert Kennedy was peddling "democracy" abroad last month, his subordinates in the Department of Justice were whittling away what little democracy was left at home.

In their further persecution of the Communist Party, they went so far as to demand and obtain a jail term for Philip Bart, CP leader, and James Jackson, editor of *The Worker*, because these two invoked their constitutional privilege not to be stoolpigeons.

A few days later—this time with Robert Kennedy's direct participation—Benjamin Davis and Gus Hall, also CP leaders, were arrested on a McCarran Act charge and only allowed bail after considerable argument and intimidation of those who put up the bail money.

Kennedy and his "democratic" brother John, together with the Republicans and the ultra-Right, are in reality attacking democracy itself. But the Kennedy's, unlike the ultra-Right, are doing it under the false pretense of defending democracy.

Their frenzied campaign against Communism and against the world-wide liberation movement of the oppressed masses is in reality a counter-revolutionary war in which the rights of anybody remotely sympathetic with the op-

pressed are slated to be the first casualties.

Unfortunately, the dripping syrup about "democracy" that is dished out daily by the White House and the Department of Justice has stickied up the minds of multitudes of people who should be as concerned as the Communist Party itself over its persecution, since their own freedom is involved.

The very fact that the New York cops refer to pacifists as "Communists" when they club them should be warning enough that the war on Communism is a war on all opposition to the madness of imperialism.

The very fact that Kennedy is so near to an open break with the U.S. labor movement over the vital question of hours and wages should be a warning that the war on Communism is to be paid for by the working class.

These facts, if little realized or understood today, will become powerful accelerators of the mass movement tomorrow.

Meantime, however, it is necessary for every informed and honest worker to come to the defense of the CP leaders and condemn the repressive acts of the anti-democratic government.

Two Front Revolution Against Ydigoras

Guatemala Rises Again

By V. Grey

A curtain of censorship has been lowered on the revolutionary events taking place in Guatemala. Behind the curtain, the hand of U.S. imperialism is feverishly working its weakening puppets in that suffering country, as the people attempt to get their freedom.

Before the news blackout, however, it was clear that practically the whole people had turned against Miguel Ydigoras, the CIA's favorite president.

On March 13, both workers and students demonstrated in the capital (Guatemala City) protesting among other things, the scandalously dishonest elections by which Ydigoras was "re-elected" in December.

With a ferocity unusual even in the ruling class of Guatemala, the police shot the demonstrators by the hundreds, wounding and killing scores, including high school youths.

Instead of quenching the fire, this served only to pour oil on the flames of revolt. The students barricaded themselves into school buildings and stoned the police from the rooftops.

The next day, the railroad workers went on strike. (U.S. capital owns the railroad, of course.) And Ydigoras immediately militarized the railroad and put the workers under military control.

But in spite of this, the bus workers and the city workers joined the strike. The next day, nine radio stations went off the air rather than carry the false news that the government demanded that they broadcast.

Five radio workers were shot dead following an uncensored broadcast that apparently told the truth about the situation.

Striking at the U.S.-backed regime from the countryside simultaneously with the worker-student actions in the city, was the combined assault of two guerilla forces. These have been in existence for some months. But apparently their strength and popularity has greatly increased.

One of them is led by supporters of Jacobo Arbenz, the president who was overthrown in 1954. His overthrow was accomplished by the CIA, the Dulles brothers—John Foster and Allen A.—and John Puerifoy, the U.S. Ambassador, using Castillo Armas as their Guatemalan stooge. (All this is admitted and even bragged about by the principals.)

The other is led by an officers' group, probably a good deal more conservative, but revolutionary enough to have tried to overthrow Ydigoras on November 13, 1960.

This is the first time that Ydigoras has had to face armed opposition both outside and inside his capital. He has imposed martial law in Guatemala City and has blustered that the whole nation is engaged in an uprising against the revolutionary movement.

The whole nation will soon be engaged in an uprising all right, if it is not already so engaged. It is not even necessary to add the name of the puppet and the puppet-masters against whom the masses will rise.

Here's One Economy Drive They Don't Want!

More Billions for B-70's?

The House Armed Services Committee has authorized \$491 million for the B-70 plane-building program next year. Kennedy had only requested \$180 million because he wishes to "phase out" the B-70 altogether. The Committee is asking Congress to direct Kennedy to spend the greater amount. Kennedy and his Defense Secretary, Robert S. McNamara, say that the B-70's are unnecessary, will be soon obsolete, and refuse to spend the money.

Nine times out of ten, when the "Army," the "Navy," the "Air Force," or "Congressmen," or the "Administration" differ about the military value of different weapons, you can be sure that the rivalry of the respective corporations who make those weapons is behind all the shouting and the flag-waving.

There's a good buck—or rather a good few million bucks—involved for these corporations. The Army generally gives its business to one set of corporations; the Navy to a different set, etc., etc. When a fight breaks out between the branches of the Armed Services, it usually has less to do with the "defense" needs of the country, than with which corporations have more power to force the government to give them profitable orders.

It is true that there is a military policy and strategy dispute between the Kennedy-appointed Secretary of Defense, McNamara and Curtis LeMay, chief of staff for the Air Force, who is backed by the House Armed Services Committee.

Much is made of this dispute. But only time will tell whether even the principal debaters know what they are talking about on this score. Meanwhile, there is one thing all the disputants are very sure of, and that's the differ-

ence between \$180 million and \$491 million—i.e. \$311 million.

And whereas most of such arguments only veil the real dispute as to which profit-hungry corporations get the lion's share of juicy government orders—the present argument veils a dispute over whether a certain group of corporations gets \$311 million in orders—or whether the money remains in the taxpayers' pockets.

And the total amount involved will be far more than this sum.

As McNamara himself has asserted, the total commitments over the years will be not just a few hundred millions, but about ten billions—if this B-70 is continued. Legislators, defense contractors, city and state governments are "involved" he said.

To name some of the corporations who are primarily "involved" in the B-70 affair and who can buy Congressmen with their petty cash, there is North American Aviation of Los Angeles, the prime contractor and the General Electric Company's Flight Propulsion Division, the associate contractor.

Among many sub-contractors, the following big-name companies are or have been the recipients of the golden flow of B-70 contracts: International Business Machines, General Dynamics, Lockheed Aircraft, Beach Aircraft, Westinghouse Electric, Motorola.

The Armed Services Committee has unanimously commanded Kennedy to do its bidding in this matter. And on March 7, it issued a report bristling with quotations from the Constitution, references to the struggles against the English monarchy, appeals to the legal counsels of the great Blackstone, embroidered with plaintive complaints about Kennedy's hurting the dignity of Congress—all in the appropriate tone of misunderstood statesmen.

But the general idea was—spend the money.

Now where were all the indignant editorials about "pork barrel spending" and where the lamentations over the state of the economy and the causes of inflation?

You can imagine the reaction if Congress insisted that Kennedy spend \$311 million more than he wanted to on public health, on welfare relief or on school children's lunches!

Rationing in Cuba—Courtesy, USA

When Fidel Castro announced the rationing of some foods and other essentials in Cuba last week, the daily newspapers of the United States had a field day.

The chorus of "We told you so's" was positively deafening. And the gloating was only thinly glossed over with "sympathy" for the "mised" Cuban people.

And when Castro spoke of the "shame" of not fulfilling the revolutionary promises, the fat cat editors of "democracy" pounced on him in unison.

"We have the shame of not being able to fulfill promises we made, simply because we made subjective analyses," the Premier said.

He meant that the optimism of the revolution was not enough by itself to conquer the armed attacks and economic aggression of U.S. imperialist counter-revolution. And generally, his meaning was quite clear to the Cuban people.

It was also clear to the high-paid servants of Big Business who write in big newspapers and spout their poison on TV. But of course it was not clear to the North American working people, and the aforementioned liars muddled it up still further.

Castro was being more than honest when he used the word, "shame." He was feeling the responsibility of one who has led a people toward freedom only to go down into a new "Valley Forge" because of the stubborn unwillingness of the foreign oppressor to free them. He was feeling the sorrow for the suffering masses that any sensitive person must feel.

But the cause of that suffering lies

not in the overthrow of the Batista tyranny or the expropriation of the U.S. monopolies. It lies at the door of U.S. imperialism.

To mention only one thing—the constant danger of armed intervention by the United States and its Latin stooges takes a large proportion of Cuba's wealth and manpower in the army and militia. If there was no war danger, the labor shortage would be over, the fields would be properly tilled. The harvests would come in. Perhaps even the old U.S.-made machinery could be fixed to run. But none of this can be done while the U.S. organizes the whole hemisphere to strangle Cuba.

This is not Castro's shame, but the shame of imperialism.

Correction

In our last issue's article, "CP Come-Back in Kerala," the impression was given that the elections in Kerala were to choose the Kerala state government. The Kerala elections were part of India-wide elections for the Indian national congress.

But the CP did, at last report, get a majority of the popular vote in Kerala, as the article said. However, due to election gerrymandering and the heavy concentration of the working class in a minority of the districts, the CP did not get a majority of the representatives to congress.

Of 18 representatives elected, the CP won 6, the ruling Congress Party (Nehru's party) won 6, independents and others won 6.

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There will be a three-week lapse between this issue of Workers World and the next.

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Three percent pay raise for them? It's inflation!



Kennedy's Double Standard One for the Rich and One for the Poor

By Dorothy Ballan

For him? 30 percent profit is mere incentive.



Henry Clay Alexander
Top Man for Morgan

Kennedy has lined himself up squarely behind the large corporations in their attempt to hold down the living standards of the workers. He is now putting the full weight of government authority behind a plan to keep wages down.

According to Kennedy's so-called Council of Economic Advisors, a worker should get no more than a three percent wage increase. Any amount over this will bring on the furies of inflation and the ruin of the entire economy.

Already, the government has attempted to intervene with this phony formula against hundreds of thousands of workers, including, on a national scale, the steel workers, the railroad workers, and the Federal workers—to name but a few. Where arbitrators are chosen, they are instructed to follow this rule.

Yes—the workers are accused of bringing the country to economic ruin if they ask for as much as a dime's raise on a \$2.00 an hour wage (before taxes).

But at exactly the same time, it turns out that a survey of 530 large corporations, reveals that their profits rose by 22½ percent in the fourth quarter of 1961 over the fourth quarter of 1960 (after taxes)—and this included all the poor little rich corporations that have been crying their eyes out about how the workers are taking advantage of them with "featherbedding" and wages so high, they just can't compete.

With over three and a half billion

dollars profit in the till for only one quarter (a new record for "peacetime"), these corporations are demanding (and getting) all kinds of government bonanzas in the form of depreciation allowances and tax deductions, which will add to their already fabulous profits. This, they say, is necessary for them to carry on. They need *incentive*. The word, inflation, disappeared in the press when reports of these fabulous profits were published in the business newspapers.

Brother, can you spare a dime?

20,000 Rally Against Sweatshops At Madison Square Garden

By Pedro Sanchez

NEW YORK, March 13 — About 20,000 members of District 65 of the Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Workers Union AFL-CIO crowded into Madison Square Garden to launch a city-wide fight for the \$1.50 an hour minimum wage tonight.

The Puerto Rican, North American, Afro-American men and women workers packed the Garden so tightly that some contingents overflowed onto the mammoth speakers' stage and firemen closed the auditorium doors, turning thousands away.

David Livingston, president of the huge "district," chairman of the meeting, brought down the house with cheers and whistles when he announced the drive to organize the Fifth Avenue stores who have such beautiful front windows and such ugly back rooms, where workers receive little more than a dollar an hour.

Several District 65 organizers reported the signing of new contracts which provided for not only \$1.50 minimums and higher, but shorter work weeks as well.

However, it was announced that the giant Bloomingdale's store practically refused to negotiate, would not even discuss the issue of sick leave and laughed at the idea of a \$1.50 minimum wage. Bloomingdale's 3,500 workers are almost certain to be on strike April 1, when the old contract is over. The same

is true of Stern's and several other department stores.

The response to the call for strike action was as loud and strong as the cheers for the contracts that were favorably settled.

But unfortunately, the great meeting was marred by the presence of Mayor Robert F. Wagner whom the union leadership played up as a great friend of labor.

Judging by some of the past performance of this demagogic servant of Big Business, the 65'ers who are going to be on strike next month would be ill-advised to expect much help from him.

On the other hand, Harry Van Arsdale, leader of the Electrical Workers Union, and president of the New York Central Labor Council, pledged the support of the whole New York labor movement to 65's coming struggle.

And John O'Rourke, head of the Teamsters Union's Joint Council, justly received an ovation for a three-minute speech in which he made the one point that *the Teamsters would not cross the picket lines of the department store workers. No deliveries will be made to struck stores.*

This is the kind of support that *means something*. And the workers know it. When Livingston boldly called upon the AFL-CIO to take the expelled Teamsters back into the organization, the rafters rang with approval.

Admirers of Ed Cherry Say

"Hit Him Again for Me!"

When Ed Cherry smashed a right to Lincoln Rockwell's fascist jaw on the 8th of this month, the general sentiment of class-conscious workers throughout the country was, "Hit him again for me!"

But just a week later, school officials at the San Diego State College where the incident took place, *publicly reprimanded Cherry. They also recommended one year's disciplinary probation for two students who threw eggs at Rockwell.*

Rockwell preaches physical extermination of one whole nationality (the Jews) and complete elimination of another. (He wants to forcibly export all Afro-Americans to Africa.)

At the time of the Cherry incident, Rockwell had challenged anyone in the

college audience to debate him on his foul allegations about Jewish people. Cherry, about half the size of Rockwell, took the challenge, walked up to the microphone. Rockwell pushed him away and Cherry socked Rockwell.

Now Rockwell and his bigoted bully boys are being granted a license to rally on the streets of New York City, April 20—*Hitler's birthday*. And not only the professors who censured Ed Cherry, not only the servants of Big Business, but the New York Civil Liberties Union says he has a right to organize the forces to "finish the job that Hitler began"—as Rockwell himself puts it.

But if the academic lickspittles of Wall Street and the mockers of true civil liberties welcome Rockwell to the streets of New York, there are others who do not. All progressive workers, Jewish and gentile, will be on hand April 20 to see that Hitler is not resurrected on his birthday.

Fortunately for the cause of freedom, and regardless of what the pessimists and defeatists may think—there are far more Ed Cherry's in the world than there are Lincoln Rockwells.

Back Pay for 300 Years of Unpaid Labor

Afro-Americans Demand Reparations

"The United States has damaged the Afro more severely than any other people on the face of the earth," declared Rabbi Elezer, Chairman of the National Emancipation Proclamation Centennial Observation Committee, whose offices are at 2108 N. Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The National Emancipation Proclamation Centennial Observation Committee has called on Kennedy to allot in his budget a sufficient sum of money so that 1962, the 100th anniversary of the issuance of the Emancipation Proclamation, (which was supposed to end slavery) can be properly utilized to depict the true condition of Afro-Americans in this country.

In a letter to Kennedy on this question, the Committee wrote:

"Mr. President, multitudes of our people perish annually from unemployment resulting in starvation; abuse resulting in despondency and early death; police brutality and frame-ups, resulting in executions of innocents. All these acts are cold-blooded and rendered with

deliberate ferocity and malicious intent—"

But the Committee goes further. It demands reparations from the United States Government for all Afro-Americans.

"America," Rabbi Elezer pointed out, "is paying reparations to the Indians. Does America not respect the descendants of her former slaves whose free labor is responsible for her tremendous wealth? The descendants of her slaves fought for the so-called democracy which America brags in two World Wars. I think America owes every Afro-American a debt. That debt is \$5,000 which the constitution of the United States provides by an Act of Congress on April 16, 1862, which abolished slavery in the District of Columbia and provided that reparations be given.

"Certainly, we all agree that the Jews are entitled to reparations from Germany. They suffered a horrible fate. But the cruelties and fate our forefathers suffered for more than 300 years, and their

descendants still suffer, are equally atrocious."

"Are we not entitled to the same consideration?" he concluded.

The Executive Secretary of the Committee is Mrs. Audley Moore, who is well known for her tireless struggle for Afro-American liberation.

In the March 15th issue, the Los Angeles *Herald-Dispatch* reported that:

"On February 6th, the Committee attempted to present a letter to President John F. Kennedy, urging consideration of just reparations due Afro-Americans. Mr. Kennedy spat in their faces, and thus the faces of all Afro-Americans."

Buffalonians in Anti-War March

Buffalo, N. Y. March 16—Amid the Thursday night shopping crowds, an energetic group of 30 to 40 persons—housewives, students and others—marched with signs calling for an end to nuclear bomb testing. Leaflets asked

passers-by to wire President Kennedy to reverse his decision on testing.

It called for the shifting "from the manufacture of arms, to construction of sorely needed hospitals, schools and decent housing for our people—" It referred to the fact that "even with the arms race, over five million people have no jobs."

The two daily papers reported on the demonstrations, and Radio Station WKBW interviewed a number of the picketers who were also seen on a television newscast at 11:00 P.M. One militant, asked why he joined the demonstration, stated he believed that the U.S. is the aggressor in the nuclear arms race, and that a public protest against U.S. resumption is a step in the right direction.

In their attitude to the demonstrators, the Buffalo police left the clear impression that they considered peace subversive.

D. R. Silberman, an English instructor at the University of Buffalo, said he had organized the line, and that no organization sponsored it.

Behind the New Posture of Big Banker McCloy

Key Shift to the Right in Ruling Class Circles

By Sam Marcy

Nothing so much symbolizes the evolution of the most influential capitalists and bankers in the direction of the Right as does the political shift of John J. McCloy.

McCloy is chiefly known to the broad public as the former presidential disarmament adviser and chief negotiator for the US with the USSR. But McCloy is also considered to be one of the truly representative figures of high finance and industry in the US government.

In his capacity as banker he was head of the World Bank and instrumental in shaping foreign policy on a broad front that ranged all the way from Korea to West Berlin. He and Dulles respectively represented the "soft" and "hard" lines in the Eisenhower administration.

McCloy was chiefly useful in operating behind the scenes.

As Board Chairman of the multi-billion dollar Chase Manhattan Bank, he needed little in the way of official posts to bolster his authority. He could at any time call on a dozen of the most powerful corporations in America, in which he served as a director, to press any issue he may have been interested in.

In his capacity as head of Chase Manhattan he was closely linked with the Rockefellers, and being the brother-in-law of John Sharman Zinsser, he also had a deep in with J. P. Morgan and Company.

During the Eisenhower administration McCloy played it liberal and

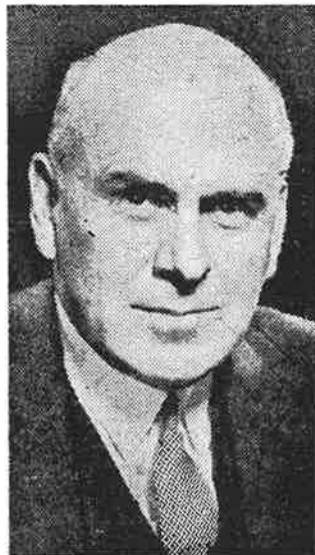
earned for himself the reputation as one who stood for moderation, restraint and reasonableness—both on the issue of McCarthyism at home as well as on critical issues of foreign policy.

The current issue of *Foreign Affairs*, which often is the official mouthpiece of the State Department on a variety of issues, carries an all-too-significant article by McCloy. It is not so much that what he says has not already been said by others. But what is distinctly new is that he is saying it. It is not that he has adopted the language of the Goldwaters, Walkers or Admiral Arleigh Burke. No, it's not that. He still measures his words carefully, still covers the substance and burden of his thesis with sweet reasonableness.

But a shift is clearly discernible. He has abandoned the position, that the "non-aligned" nations can play a significant role in the life-and-death struggle between imperialism and the socialist camp. He no longer sees India as a leading neutral.

Whereas McCloy used to deliver preachments on the importance of the neutrals, he sees them now as a negligible factor. He covers his retreat from his previous position by saying that he has come to the realization of the general ineffectiveness of so-called neutral or non-aligned opinion as regards the test-ban negotiations, and denies what he calls the existence of "a moral opinion" among them.

This wouldn't be news if it came from Senator Talmadge, Thurmond or



John J. McCloy

General Van Fleet. But McCloy is perhaps the most powerful of the unofficial leaders of U.S. finance capital, both in and out of government. It must also be remembered that he is the man who served as U.S. military governor in Germany and also as U.S. High Commissioner there. Clay, who serves there now, is McCloy's nominee. He has also negotiated on behalf of the U.S. Government with the highest Soviet officials.

A shift to the right in his thinking clearly means that his fellow board of directors in such powerful monopoly corporations as A.T. & T., Metropolitan

Life Insurance, United Fruit, Westinghouse, Allied Chemical—not to speak of Chase Manhattan, have also undergone an evolution in their political thinking.

Kennedy's foreign policy is clearly based on the men who dominate the leadership of the above-named companies. Men like McNamara, Hodges, Dillon, and others share this general view. It is supposed to have been shaped as a result of a reappraisal of U.S. military might.

In reality it is due to the deepening of the revolutionary ferment in Latin America, in Asia and in Africa. It grows out of a feeling of hopelessness of containing the spreading contagion of revolution by diplomatic and economic means alone. McCloy has apparently now come to the conclusion that naked force alone is to be relied on in the struggle to maintain U.S. domination.

Through the pages of *Foreign Affairs*, a magazine which mostly goes to the professional in the diplomatic corps, he has advised all and sundry in the financial community that he has dropped his mask. He is no longer, McCloy the disarmament adviser. He is now John J. McCloy, armament expediter and behind-the-scenes plenipotentiary to the Kennedy administration. His new calling card is "faster and faster in the nuclear race" and to hell with neutral opinion.

The lesson for all of us who are studying the development of the ultra-right wing is that the main-spring of reaction is still in the hands of all those who hold power in Wall St. and in Washington.

And that while the ultra-rights undoubtedly represent the tendency towards naked fascist dictatorship, this is being fed and buttressed by the growing and deepening shift in the summits of the U.S. ruling class itself.

Now They're Accusing

Cuba and Peoples China Of Corrupting the U.S.!

Last week, the U.S. narcotics agents arrested five alleged Cuban dope peddlers in Miami who "posed as refugees" according to the Associated Press.

The gist of the AP dispatch was as follows:

"Communist Cuba is attempting to demoralize this country and obtain vital United States dollars by smuggling opium from Red China into the United States, Charles Siragusa, assistant commissioner of narcotics, charged today . . .

"Mr. Siragusa said the presence of Chinese Reds in Havana had brought a serious new narcotics traffic to America's eastern shore."

This protector of U.S. morale must think things are pretty shaky if he really believes little Cuba threatens to "demoralize" this giant nation. But he must really know quite well that Cuba has been the first country in the Western hemisphere to effectively eliminate the vice dens and eradicate the illicit drug traffic from its shores.

As for China, Mr. Siragusa may fancy that he has a point, since the production and use of opium used to be so well known in that country.

But actually, the American dope expert should know that the production of opium in China has been largely converted to medicinal purposes.

But let us not be too hard on Mr. Siragusa. Fantastic as his charge of "demoralizing" a great country with opium may appear, such a thing was actually done once upon a time—only it was done to China, not by China.

In 1840-42, the British fought a two-year war openly and directly in order to foist the opium habit upon China. The war is officially referred to as the Opium War.

The Chinese had the temerity to confiscate and destroy a British boatload of opium from India and to enact the death penalty against all persons engaged in the opium trade. So the British went to war with them.

As a result of this war, the British

U. S. Oil Companies on Algerian Cease Fire:

'Business as Usual During Alterations'

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The real role of the U.S. in Algeria has been obscured by soothing liberal propaganda, especially of the Stevensonian type. The general line of this type of propaganda depicts the U.S. as a "neutral," sincerely interested in finding a "solution" to the "Algerian problem." At the same time, a veritable curtain of silence has hung over the real interests that the U.S. has in that embattled colonial country.

It remained for a certain Mr. E. L. Steiniger to lift ever so small a corner of this curtain of silence which conceals U.S. monopoly interests in Algeria.

Steiniger is the president of the multi-billion dollar Sinclair Oil Company and its many subsidiaries. This gigantic corporation has vast holdings in Columbia, Venezuela, Alaska and Canada—in addition to considerable interests in the U.S. itself.

"By any standard," said Mr. Steiniger in a message to the stockholders of the Sinclair Company, "earnings this year were disappointing and totally inadequate." By "disappointing and totally inadequate," Steiniger meant a mere net profit of \$36 million!! But there was one bright spot in Steiniger's gloomy report—Algeria—to which he devoted less than a hundred words.

Despite the brevity and seeming insignificance of his coverage of Algeria, you can be sure that Steiniger got his message across to the pros in Wall

won the port of Hong Kong, won imperial rights of semi-occupation in five other Chinese cities and a huge monetary indemnity. With the combination of opium and gunboats, they demoralized the Chinese for nearly a century.

The U.S. imperialists did approximately the same thing to the Cubans for sixty years after the Spanish American war—perhaps with less opium and more bullets per capita than the British used in China.

If Cubans "posing as refugees" really peddled opium, it's a ten-to-one bet that they were refugees.

Try again, Mr. Siragusa.

Street and their friends in the State Department. No big press conference was necessary for this news. Much better and wiser, they thought, if there were a few perfunctory paragraphs here and there in the financial pages of the *Times* or *Tribune* so that the "interested parties" would get the message.

"In February 1962," said Steiniger, "the fourth test well in Algeria in which Sinclair has participated struck oil in commercial quantities at Rhourde el Baguel." (The phrase "commercial quantities" in the language of the oil tycoons means fabulous profits.)

Sinclair is alleged to have not just a few friends in the U.S. government, but hoards of them. An oil man not connected with the Rockefellers is most often a Sinclair man, or has ties to interests closely linked with Chemical Bank of New York, and Chase Manhattan, who act for Sinclair when its oil interests are involved abroad.

"Production tests for definitive evaluation of the oil wells in Algeria are now in progress," Steiniger announced, and the cease-fire talks at Evian between DeGaulle and the FLN seemed to bother the Sinclair Board of Directors very little. They are taking the view, as the saying goes, "business as usual during alterations."

This, in the jargon of the oil barons, means that whatever form of government emerges in Algeria, their exploitation of the Algerian wealth will continue.

It is worth noting that the well which Sinclair struck in February is only 65 miles southeast of the Hassi Messaoud field, from which a large pipeline runs to the Mediterranean. This is extremely valuable and opens the possibility of "protection" from the U.S. navy when the need arises.

Of course not a word of this has been mentioned in the hundreds of daily news columns in the U.S. about Algeria. Actually, Sinclair has been participating in what they call "exploration op-

erations" in the Algerian Sahara since 1958. In fact, Steiniger boasted to the board of directors that Sinclair now has interests on permits covering as much as 10.7 million acres. These interests range from as much as 26 per cent to 28 per cent. This is an enormous stake, which of course rightfully belongs to the Algerian people. Their consent to the exploitation of the vast riches of the Sahara by U.S. oil imperialists has not been obtained and moreover, this exploitation will be fiercely and courageously resisted.

In the meantime, such figures as P. C. Spencer, chairman of the board of Sinclair, and O. P. Thomas, executive vice-president, are feverishly working behind the scenes in Paris, Tunis, and at Evian, to see whatever accord is reached, their interests are duly protected.

According to the *Wall Street Journal* of March 13, the cease fire agreement now being negotiated provides that the Saharan oil will belong to Algeria. But—and this is a big but—the new government "will recognize concessions previously granted to the French and will split profits on a 50-50 basis with the companies pumping the oil."

That's where Sinclair comes in. It's one of the biggest companies pumping oil in the Sahara.

Also, Sinclair has close contacts with Procter and Gamble and Varel Manufacturing Company, both of whom have important production facilities in Algeria. The Varel Company is of particular importance. It's an oil drilling equipment firm. And by virtue of the special equipment it has, it has a very strategic place in the Algerian economy.

Varel works hand-in-hand with Sinclair. It's not so much the size or the amount of U.S. investment that counts there, as the character of the corporations—giant oil monopolies and their allies who usually are able to dictate policy to the State Department.

But they are not reckoning with the mighty forces of the Algerian revolution. The Algerian people are not spilling their blood to exchange one imperialist bandit for another.