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Dear Subscriber:

INDICTMENT OF COMMUNIST NATIONAL BOARD ("POLITBUREAU") by a Federal grand jury this week is an action that should have been taken many years ago. Counterattack has turned over information to Govt and has cooperated fully by withholding comment during grand jury hearings. These began 13 months ago. Mostly they've dealt with Communist spying by some 50 people who were on Govt payroll in wartime...including some military officers and high civilian officials. ALL THESE WERE QUESTIONED BY GRAND JURY. But lately the jury turned its attention to Communist Party's general operations. Result is the present indictments for conspiracy to overthrow Govt.

The terms of the indictments suggest that evidence will be limited to actions of past three years. That may protect reputations of some high Govt officials of the past...and it makes it easier for the Communists to escape conviction. Indictments ought to be so worded that the Govt can go back as far into history of Communist Party as possible. Put a jury in the box...keep them there a year if necessary...give them an education on Communist history & methods...call dozens of former Communist Party leaders as witnesses. THAT'S the way to get a conviction.

But even that won't smash Communist Fifth Column. If necessary Stalin will "dissolve" the party and start it up again under a new name. Or keep it underground and have it work through the Third or "Commugressive" Party. We need a weapon to use against the Communists even when they operate under another name. That weapon is Mundt-Nixon bill or its equivalent. We've got to have some kind of Communist registration law.

EAGER TO COMMIT TREASON, COMMUNIST PARTY OF U. S. DENOUNCES TITO FOR NOT BEING FAITHFUL MILITARY ALLY OF STALIN AGAINST THIS COUNTRY.

Remember that the party sided with Stalin against Joseph Broz, alias Tito, as soon as Cominform put the blast on him. Now the party goes further. It EXPLAINS that blast. And it does this because many Communists here are confused. Till the other day they were cheering Tito. Now they're supposed to boo him. They wonder why. So the party explains:

"The charge of bourgeois nationalism against the Yugoslav leaders, and the fact that questions of MILITARY policy are implied, all means that very serious differences of attitude must have arisen for quite some time. ...The Yugoslav leaders spoke of themselves as being in the democratic camp, led by the Soviet Union; behind the scenes, they evidently contested that leadership and worried all members of the camp, especially the Soviet Union."

Now what was the Soviet Union worried about? This:

"The KEY question was the solidarity of the people's democracies and the Soviet Union in the face of an extremely complicated international situation. And a situation in which the weakening of solidarity, one false move, can mean war."

What war? What solidarity? Evidently war against the U S...solidarity of the Soviet Union and the other autocracies AGAINST the U S.

"The Yugoslav Communist leaders," says the Communist Party of this country, "are accused of demonstrating over a period of time such a great number of differences on specific questions of TACTICS and STRATEGY as between the Soviet Union and its allies on the one hand and the imperialist powers on the other that THE FUNDAMENTAL RELIABILITY OF THE YUGOSLAVS AS ALLIES IS BEING CALLED INTO QUESTION."

We've capitalized the key words in the Communist statement above.

"When you're in a cold war," continues the Communist Party, "and when your problem is to prevent and postpone real war and to do so in such a way as to BE READY FOR WAR IF IT COMES -- THE ISSUE OF SOLIDARITY AND LOYALTY TO A COMMON POLICY IS DECISIVE."

So there it is. In order to persuade Communists here that Tito is suddenly a heel instead of a hero, the Communist Party tells them that Tito isn't loyal to Stalin in preparing for war against the U S.

But Communist Party of U S A is loyal. You can bet on that. Loyal to Stalin Russia. Loyal to the ENEMIES of America and of world freedom.

And it's a party right here in our country that talks this way. How long are we going to let this Fifth Column operate against us and prepare to help Stalin Russia in a war against America?

MUNDT-NIXON BILL MAY PASS IN SPECIAL SESSION OF CONGRESS...unless most legislation is blocked by a quick adjournment or filibuster.

During recent session the bill passed the House, 319 to 58, but was tied up in Senate Judiciary Committee. Now this committee may report the bill favorably, with amendments...and Senate may adopt it, and then the bill would go to a conference committee representing both houses...and this committee would produce a compromise bill, and both Houses would vote on it again. Or, to save time, a new Communist registration bill may be introduced in House, identical with version that's apt to be okayed by Senate.

WHAT TO DO: Wire your senators and your congressman to support some form of Communist registration bill in THIS session, not next year. Session will be short, so if you want Congress to act, YOU should act TODAY.

12 COMMUNIST FRONTS MERGE TO FIGHT MUNDT-NIXON BILL. Counterattack told you last week Communist Party would merge its big front, Civil Rights Congress, with the emergency anti-Mundt-Nixon fronts that it set up lately. Meeting for this purpose was held this week in Philadelphia...a convenient place, because Communists were there anyhow for Commugressive convention.

Civil Rights Congress keeps present name. This was decided on at Phila meeting. CRC absorbs Committee for Democratic Rights, Natl Comm to Defeat the Mundt Bill, and anti-Mundt-Nixon bill committees of Texas, Minn, San Francisco, Kansas City, St Louis, Chicago, Detroit, Phila, & north N J.

Look at Communist officers picked for this merged outfit:

Geo Marshall remains chairman. He's a rich Communist, now appealing jail sentence of three months for contempt of Congress.

James McLeish becomes president. He's Communist Party member, and Pres of District 4 of biggest Communist-led union, CIO United Electrical.

Wm L Patterson becomes Sec'y. He's vice-chairman of Illinois district of Communist Party.

Len Goldsmith, who has been Exec Sec'y of Comm for Democratic Rights, becomes national director of enlarged Civil Rights Congress. Counterattack revealed June 18 that Goldsmith was a delegate to a closed Communist Party convention in 1945. He's the man who organized Panama Canal Zone workers for Communist-controlled CIO United Public Workers.

"On to Washington" is new battle cry. Civil Rights Congress issued a call to party-liners to get them to make a big trek to Washington again and block the revised Mundt-Nixon bill. And the front is also starting a membership drive to turn itself into a "mass membership organization", as decided on lately by Communist Natl Board ("Politbureau").

A GREAT RAILROAD MAKES A BIG MISTAKE...BUT CORRECTS IT. New York Central RR this week sent out a routine news release, saying Fred Myers would become head of its Cleveland public relations office, effective Aug 1. The release gave some of his experience, including service as Exec Director of Russian War Relief, and public relations man for Institute of Pacific Relations. Fact is Russian War Relief was run by the Communists, and Institute of Pacific Relations is a Communist front. NYCentral didn't know this.

Most newspapers handled the release in routine way. But NYWorld-Telegram ran a story on Myers' record. It pointed out he had also been Exec Director of American-Russian Institute, recently branded subversive by Dept of Justice. And he'd been editor of American Newspaper Guild's journal, the Guild Reporter, when Guild was run by the Communists (it isn't any more). Also Russian Govt had decorated Myers with Order of Red Banner.

NYCentral's face was as red as that banner. It had hired Myers simply on basis of his professional record. Never thought about his ideology. It didn't know anything about Communist fronts...had paid no attention to Dept of Justice lists. And in this it was JUST LIKE MOST OTHER BIG COMPANIES. As soon as it learned truth about Myers, it cancelled his appointment. Sensible thing to do. World-Telegram deserves credit for its quick, keen work. Other newspapers all over U S should get on the ball.

LINCOLN BRIGADE, A COMMUNIST FRONT, IS ORDERED TO REGISTER AS A FOREIGN AGENT. Dept of Justice has issued this order without publicity. Veterans of Abraham Lincoln Brigade has been soliciting money for "the underground Spanish trade union movement". Actually it's doubtful how much of such money ever goes abroad. And the money that IS sent abroad doesn't reach genuine underground trade union movement, which is connected with Spanish Republican Govt in Exile (non-Communist). Instead it goes to Spanish Communist Party. But Dept of Justice takes statements of Veterans of Abraham Lincoln Brigade at face value. It orders the front to register as agent of Spanish underground trade union movement. Front is resisting this.

SIGNIFICANCE OF JOE CURRAN'S LANDSLIDE ELECTION VICTORY in Natl Maritime Union, CIO, extends far beyond that union. Not only does NMU become definitely anti-Communist, but whole CIO and especially maritime unions will be influenced in same direction. And Curran will pull NY port of NMU out of local CIO Council, which is Communist-dominated. Thus he'll weaken it further...and Philip Murray will probably lift its charter soon.

COMMUNISTS PLAN TENANTS' MEETING IN WASHINGTON, Tuesday, July 27. Communist-controlled tenant organizations in a number of cities will be represented. Conference is called by NY Tenant Council on Rent & Housing.

Paul L Ross, chairman of this front, held \$14,000 job as chairman of NYCity Rent Commission till lately. He quit when Communist Party broke with Mayor O'Dwyer (not necessarily a permanent break). Ross is a lawyer. During Stalin-Hitler Pact he was brought up on charges in American Labor Party because he favored the pact. But leaders decided not to expel him. Now he's a high officer of the party, since the Communists won control of it.

Ross' main REAL purpose in Washington conference is to blast Truman & Congress, and make propaganda for Commugressive Party.

PARTY-LINER WHO TESTIFIED BEFORE FEDERAL GRAND JURY WILL EDIT NEW NATIONAL WEEKLY. You can expect it in September. Name: National Gazette. Contents: newsweekly, with party-line slant. Appearance: tabloid newspaper, 16 pages. Price 10¢. Published at York, Penna, by Josiah W Gitt, publisher of York Gazette & Daily, which is much quoted in Communist press. Gitt is Penna chairman of Commugressive Party.

Editor: Cedric Belfrage, author & party-liner.

Associate editor: James Aronson, formerly in Sunday Dept of NY Times. He has just lost his job as editor of Frontpage, journal of NY Newspaper Guild...which used to be run by the Communists.

Cedric Belfrage got a commission with Psychological Warfare Division, as its press control officer at SHAEF (Eisenhower's hq), despite Belfrage's long & glaring record on party line.

Federal grand jury investigating Communist espionage called Belfrage as a witness. This is the jury that has just indicted party leaders. Whether Belfrage consented to answer all questions is an official secret.

Belfrage is an English-born author who came to U S many years ago and has been a backer of Communist fronts in Hollywood & elsewhere, such as: American League for Peace & Democracy...biggest general pre-war front, which was anti-Hitler till Stalin-Hitler Pact...then it folded.

League of American Writers, which had same policy as above...but it turned anti-war during Stalin-Hitler Pact.

American Comm to Save Refugees...which suddenly began yelling for aid to Stalin as soon as Hitler invaded Russia.

Natl Comm for People's Rights, a front headed by Rockwell Kent.

American League for Protection of Foreign-Born, which does NOT protect foreign-born in general. It protects Communists from deportation, etc. Black and White...a party-line magazine of years ago.

People's Institute of Applied Religion. Founded by Dr Claude C Williams, whose name on his Communist Party membership card was John Galey.

Now what was the payoff, the climax, in Belfrage's case? Do you suppose it was his getting a commission as press control officer of Psychological Warfare Division at SHAEF? Well, maybe. But maybe it was something else. In 1946 Belfrage got a fellowship from Guggenheim Foundation. He was given money to live on while he wrote on ways of educating the German people to & for democracy through the organization of a free German press. A party-liner, getting philanthropic help to write on democracy & a free press!

Now as editor of Josiah Gitt's National Gazette he'll help "democracy" by adroitly plugging Commugressive Party.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO BEAT THE COMMUNISTS? Wire your senators & your congressman to support Communist registration bill NOW...in special session. Point out that Communist Party denounces Tito for not being faithful military ally of Stalin against U S. See pp 1, 2.

Yours faithfully,

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