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## Big Firms' Profits Up 88 % Since Start of Viet War!



WHILE THE U.S. BOMBS—Chinese People's Liberation Army medical men treat the sick in remote villages—CHINA FEATURES photo

### Profits Up Almost as High as Casualties As 250,000 Now Fight War for Big Business

MAY 2—With napalm manufacturers getting richer, plane makers and electronic equipment companies doubling their money in a period of months, and GI's doubling and trebling their own deaths in Vietnam, Johnson is now upping the number of troops over 250,000 and guaranteeing a still further bonanza for the big bosses.

There are now about eleven times as many troops in Vietnam as there were in January, 1965. This is directly related to the corporations' profits, as it is to the GI's deaths.

In an obvious reference to the war being the real source of the big money, Gardner Ackley, chairman of the Presi-

dent's Council of Economic Advisers, said today that profits were up 88 per cent from early in 1961 and "were providing the highest sustained rate of return on owners' equity in our modern history."

Profits after taxes in the final quarter of 1965 were at the record annual rate of \$45.9 billion compared to \$24 billion in the first quarter of 1961 when John F. Kennedy took office and just before he sent the first substantial body of U.S. troops to Vietnam.

The Dupont-controlled Boeing Aircraft, which supplies the B-52s for "saturation bombing" was scraping the bottom of the barrel for contracts in 1960. But from January to April of this year alone it was doing so well that its stock went up a fantastic 131 per cent in that short period. The same three months saw the stock of Rockefeller-controlled Chemetron, which makes napalm, go up 80 per cent.

American battle deaths in 1961 were less than one a week. From January to April of this year, they were over a thousand, according to U.S. sources.

Mr. Ackley made it clear that none of the golden shower coined from the blood in Vietnam is falling on the U.S. workers. "In March," he said, "the weekly spendable income of the average manufacturing worker with three dependents—measured in constant prices—was no higher than a year earlier, though he was working somewhat longer hours."

### Humphrey Hooted At the Waldorf

NEW YORK, April 25—Vice President Hubert Humphrey was foiled today in his attempt to sneak into New York and avoid being picketed.

Youth Against War and Fascism learned of his speaking before a section of the American Newspaper Publishers Association at the Waldorf-Astoria just an hour and a half before he was scheduled to begin. And the group held a 2 p.m. demonstration this working day. Reporters and TV photographers noted the event.

One of the picket signs widely quoted in the press said: "H.H. Humphrey: Johnson's War Salesman."

### Does "Liberal" Post Have an Interest?

## Picket Napalm Profiteers

NEW YORK, April 27—Fifty people picketed against the use of napalm in Vietnam as the stockholders of the Witco Chemical Co., a producer of Napalm, held their annual meeting in the offices of the First National City

Bank at Lexington Ave. and 42nd St., this afternoon.

Mrs. Denzil Longton, organizer of the Citizens' Campaign Against Napalm, the newly-formed group which sponsored the demonstration, said that Witco's profits have risen sharply in the past year. Among the directors of the company is a Mr. Sonneborn, husband of Dorothy Schiff who publishes the "liberal" New York Post, she said.

The demonstration was covered by local TV and radio. Among the reporters on the scene was a man from the Wall Street Journal. He told demonstrators that Witco's Chairman had said he was proud of the company's involvement with the war.

After the hour-long demonstration, in which members of Women Strike for Peace and Youth Against War and Fascism participated, several people stayed on to hand out leaflets which showed a picture of a Vietnamese child burned by napalm under a headline "This baby was burned by napalm. Who made the profit?"

One elderly leafleter was knocked down by a woman who was for burning children with napalm. A man from the crowd rebuked the woman, and she began to claw at him too, then ran away into the heavy lunch-hour crowd. The police looked the other way.

## NYC Paper Strikers Fight Massive Layoffs

NEW YORK, May 2—While newspaper publishers were rushing into town last week to hear Humphrey, Fulbright and other lesser lights tell them how to shape the news, 5,000 workers were refusing to publish any news at all until they got some modicum of justice at the hands of this city's daily papers.

The Newspaper Guild and the Typographical Union were leading the strike, which was first called by the Guild to protest the unprecedented layoffs that are arising from the amalgamation of the Tribune, Journal American and World Telegram.

The merger of the multi-million dollar outfits, first announced only a short time ago, hit the workers almost with the crack of doom.

The now combined publishers propose to scrap no less than 2,493 workers out of 4,728 union men and women working for them in this city. Over 400 composing room printers would be dropped, 900 editorial and office workers would go, 163 of the 450 pressmen, 418—nearly half—of the 873 drivers, and so on.

Workers with as much as 20 years' service were being offered just three weeks' severance pay. And they were not being laid off in order of seniority, but according to the caprices and favoritism of the merged companies.

Meanwhile American Newspaper Guild President Wm. J. Farson charged that the three corporations were in reality making high profits. He exposed some of the methods of Hearst and

Scripps in concealing profits, citing how Hearst's Los Angeles Herald Express was able to convert a \$6 million profit into a \$2 million "loss."—The method was to charge itself \$21 per thousand for magazine sections that it sold to other publishers for \$2 a thousand.

## Will N.Y.C. Nurses Hit the Bricks, Too?

By a Nurse

NEW YORK, April 27—A thousand nurses employed by the Department of Hospitals turned out for a mass meeting tonight in protest against low wages and abominable working conditions in this city.

This is a tremendous turnout considering there are only 3,100 nurses employed by the Department of Hospitals and a percentage of them were on duty at the time of the meeting. To date over a thousand nurses ranging from staff nurse to superintendents of nurses have handed in their resignations effective May 23, 1966.

This is the first time nurses in the city hospitals have taken such a drastic step to improve their working conditions. While no observers would predict an actual strike on May 23, and nurses themselves avoid the word "strike" like the plague, the possibility of one is certainly strong.

These nurses have been working without a contract since last December.

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## "Liberal" Indignation at Black Boycott

Now that some of the Black People have the vote, the white-supremacists are putting on a campaign on to see that they vote "right." The May 3 Democratic primaries in Alabama are a case in point.

When SNCC and other militant groups advocated boycotting the age-old white supremacist Democrats and founding the independent "Black Panther Party," the outraged howls of capitalist liberals could be heard for miles.

One SNCC leader said pithily: Asking Afro-Americans to join the Democratic Party "is like asking Jews to join the Nazi party." The liberal New York Post said this was "absurd" and when Dr. King later campaigned for the Democrats, the Post trumpeted its editorial satisfaction.

It's true that arch-segregationist George Wallace (in the person of his wife) is running for the Democratic nomination, which we are always told is "equivalent to election" in the South. And the "liberals" running against him are touted as "lesser evils" who are ready to wash away all the sins of the segregationist, lynch-mad Southern Democrats with one bucket of election whiting.

But many black militants are refusing to buy this. They correctly see the whole thing as an elaborate trap to lure the Afro-American not merely into the racist Democratic Party, but into the new and more subtle bondage of a superficial tokenism through ruling class election demagoguery.

## \$Million "Free Election" for Vietnam

Last week Defense Secretary Mc Namara told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that if elections were against the U.S. in South Vietnam, "we would (still) abide by them." Secretary of State Rusk has said the same. Johnson has also implied this. And most of the American people take it for granted that it is true.

But if "we" would abide by the election results, it would only be because they are fixed and rigged one hundred per cent by the U.S.

Two characters as conservative and authoritative as Senator Richard Russell and ex-President Dwight Eisenhower have said that Ho Chi Minh and the NLF would get 80 per cent of the vote in an honest election. So the difficulties in rigging an election are great—although perhaps not too great for the CIA.

The New York Times on April 28 quoted a government official as saying: "Suppose that Country X is having an election and candidates backed by the U.S. government seem headed for defeat. The Ambassador and the CIA station chief may forward a request (to the Budget Bureau—ed.) for some

fast money to spread around. . .

"For example, this official said, one such project was recently trimmed by the Budget Bureau from \$3 million to \$1.7 million. But in the last week of the election the CIA ran out of funds just as it needed some more billboards plastered, and it was able to get the money simply by a phone call to the Budget Bureau."

The Vietnamese in Saigon, Danang, Hue, Dalat, etc. who supposedly back the war against the National Liberation Front, are in no mood to heed the advice of CIA election posters today. But the hope in Washington is that by August, the situation will be "normal" enough with "troublemakers" in jail and a cop or CIA man on every corner, so that an election may work out all right, especially if Communists, NLF members and militant Buddhists are not allowed to vote.

Under those conditions a "free election" will work out the way Johnson and Co. want it to and they will "abide by it." But if it doesn't work, look for the cry of "foul!" if not a further delay in having any election at all, which is the more likely possibility.

## Murder Inc.-CIA to Get New Name?

While the New York Times last week launched a lengthy and critical examination of the CIA, it has in reality just lifted the curtain of secrecy a short distance. Much of the information was already available, although not all in one place.

It is true, of course, that the effect on many readers will be to increase their indignation against this famous and disreputable agency for world counterrevolution. And the typical Times coolness with its understatement of the horrible story gives added emphasis to the repulsive facts.

But the intention of the Times is not to end the subversion, sabotage and counterrevolutionary activity of the CIA, but merely to carry it out more effectively, with a defter, craftier and "cooler" hand. "While some of the CIA's methods may be justifiable against a cold war enemy," the paper editorializes, "should they be employed in allied or neutral countries?" The Times would like less fuss and fewer scandals in the "allied" countries in order to "serve the true interests" of U.S. big business in arranging its

world affairs.

It is important to note that the Times articles show that the CIA is not an independent "invisible government" but is interwoven with the regular U.S. government and its general political line is set by the U.S. government, whatever practical deviations may be made in the way of wild experiments. This "department of dirty tricks" as it is affectionately named by Washington politicians, is an instrument of the executive committee of the ruling class and not just an over-budgeted department gone mad.

The Times ended its series with an editorial plea for Congressional control of the agency (after revealing that several "watchdog committees" in Congress had been chosen or screened by the CIA itself!)

Obviously worried about the uncontrolled character of the Johnson Administration (which oversees the CIA) more than the spy agency itself, the paper is really attacking the Executive for carrying out a clumsy, high-handed foreign policy that makes enemies and encourages revolutions instead of ef-

## Protests in Santo Domingo and N.Y.

# U.S. Troops Kill Kids

By Peter Storch

SANTO DOMINGO, April 29—On Wednesday, the anger of the Dominican people reached a new high when, on the eve of the first anniversary of the U.S. invasion, a U.S. soldier killed an 8-year old shoeshine boy in what U.S. officers labeled "an accident."

On Thursday, during the demonstrations marking the anniversary of the U.S. invasion, U.S. troops critically wounded 7 Dominicans, three of whom were under 14 years of age, one reportedly a two year old baby.

This criminal action of imperialist troops had to be condemned even by the puppet police chief of Santo Domingo to save face before the outraged masses. The police challenged the U.S. officers' assertion that the demonstrators had provoked the atrocity by firing first.

Demonstrations in the tens of thousands demanding the immediate withdrawal of U.S. troops, have taken place this week, a week designated by the Tri-Continental Conference, recently held in Cuba, as the "Week of International Solidarity with Santo Domingo."

### Dominican Solidarity in N.Y.

NEW YORK, April 24—Over 500 people, mostly Dominicans and Puerto Ricans, commemorated the first anniversary of the Dominican revolution of April 24, 1965 by marching up Broadway in predominantly Puerto Rican and

Dominican neighborhoods. The highly spirited and militant march ended on 106th St. where a rally was then held.

The march and rally, sponsored by the Dominican Constitutionalist Front (FCD) and the Pro-Independence Movement of Puerto Rico (MPI) featured Latin American and North American speakers such as Ramon Soto of the FCD; Normal Pietri, President of the Youth of MPI; Silvestre Tenorio, a Panamanian student; Key Martin, national chairman of Youth Against War & Fascism; and Mae Mallory, chairman of the Women's Committee of the Harlem Unemployment Center. Other speakers included Richard Garza, Jose Santo, and Pedro Juan Rua, also a leader of the Youth of MPI.

All through the march and rally the Latin American demonstrators could be heard from far away chanting "Quisqueya, Vietnam—United we will win!" "Yankees, get out of Santo Domingo!" and "With arms we will fight the Yankees and win!"

### March to Union Square

NEW YORK, April 30—More than 100 Latin Americans celebrated May Day today by holding a march to protest the U.S. invasion of the Dominican Republic exactly one year ago and the crimes committed there this week. The march started with a picket line in front of the U.S. Mission to the United Nations and proceeded to Union Square where the annual May Day rally was being held.

## Owner of New York Herald Tribune:

# "The Union Won't Let Me!"

John Hay Whitney, former Ambassador to Great Britain, heir to one of the biggest of the Standard Oil fortunes, once owner of a fabulous string of polo ponies and a playboy of the Western—and part of the Eastern—world, wrote a sad front-page editorial in his personally-owned New York Herald Tribune on April 22.

"I did not buy it to make myself wealthy or famous or powerful," he sighed (being wealthy, famous and powerful already) and then without saying just why he did buy it, went into a long, beautifully literary explanation of why the workers were destroying big business and how the new merger of the Tribune with the Journal American and the World Telegram would be so good—for business. But "the unions won't let us" do it, he said.

Poor Mr. Whitney. All he wanted to do was write a great morning newspaper that would tell millions of people how wonderful the billion-a-year Standard Oil Company and its friends are, how terrible the two-dollar-a-week Vietnamese people are, why they can't be trusted to vote (see the Tribune for April 11), why welfare shouldn't be abused, why banker's son and banker's brother Lindsay should be Mayor

and wheeler dealer Johnson should be President and things like that.

And the unions won't let him do it. Poor Mr. Whitney even used to put up his own money to cover the losses when the advertisers didn't come across with enough money. But he kept going because he wanted to keep telling folks about Vietnam and labor and why civil rights was right but Black extremism was wrong and things like that. Mr. Whitney believed he had a MESSAGE for the American people.

But the unions won't let him send it. "We don't even have a clear idea of what they (the unions) want," he said in his very clear prose, "except that it's a lot more than what has so far been offered, that it's going to cost enough to cripple us before we begin."

When newspapers fold up, as one afternoon paper is folding in this three-way combination Mr. Whitney is in on, other newspapers write long, sobbing stories about the fine writers and the good old traditions and sometimes even a hint about the loyal old workers in the editorial and printing departments who will be given the gate.

But Mr. Whitney did not devote a single one of his fine words to that theme.

Maybe because he was trying his best to get rid of the maximum number of workers at that very moment and -- The unions wouldn't let him.

## Chinese Rice to Cuba

A Reuters dispatch to the Washington Post reports that the People's Republic of China will have sent Cuba more than half its 1966 rice purchases in the first six months of this year, at Cuba's request.

A dispute over the rice-sugar deal led to the Cuban government's virtually breaking with the Chinese government earlier this year.

fectively stopping them.

It is conceivable that some sections of the ruling class may now even suggest giving the CIA's job to other government departments.

The underworld gang known as "Murder Incorporated" was genteel and lamb-like compared to the CIA. But it did get a bad name. Now the CIA's murders are coming home to roost, too, and—who knows?—the name may have to go.

In that case, Washington's "Murder Incorporated" would get a new name. But the game would be the same.



"Of course you can join the John Birch Society, but do you have to make so much noise about it?"



## Calling on "The Man in the Street" To Stop the War Against Vietnam

By Peter Anton

NEW YORK, April 9—Youth Against War and Fascism started its spring neighborhood street meeting campaign today with two street rallies within ten blocks of each other. Hundreds of Saturday shoppers stopped to listen to Youth speakers denounce the U.S. war of aggression against Vietnam and demand that the GIs be brought home.

The rallies were held at Eighth Avenue and 24th Street, a shopping center, and at Fifth Avenue and 14th Street, in front of the U.S. Army and Air Force Exchange.

A prominent invited speaker, Pedro Juan Rua, of the Movimiento Pro-Independencia of Puerto Rico, speaking at both street rallies, denounced the

U.S. Draft of Puerto Ricans and stressed the solidarity of the Puerto Rican people in their struggle, with those in this country who are also fighting against the unjust Vietnam war and Draft.

At the rally on 24th Street, Alex Chernowitz of YAWF, opened with a strong attack on the Johnson administration and its responsibility for the deaths of thousands of GIs. Another speaker, Sharon Martin, said: "When a soldier dies, his family gets \$10,000 insurance and big businessmen get another million dollars for more war equipment."

At the rally on 14th Street, Helene Gershowitz of the Chelsea Committee Against the War in Vietnam, gathered a large crowd of over a hundred listeners



with a spirited denunciation of the war, saying:

"Our young men die while corporations profit off the war."

Beaten by Watts Cops; Then Charged with Murder

## The Ordeal of Philip Brooks

By John Moore

LOS ANGELES—It had a happy ending. Of course Philip Brooks lost his job and spent seven months in jail. But the organized indignation of his fellow citizens stopped his legal lynching by the state of California.

It began on a Friday night at 9:30 p.m., August 13, 1965 during the Watts revolt.

There was the cracking sound of shots as Philip Brooks and two friends were driving through the streets of Watts on their way home. Fires were burning. As they stopped for a red light at Wilmington and Imperial they could see the front of a liquor store flaming. In the street helmeted cops with shotguns were shouting and gesticulating.

Suddenly a group of cops charged up to the car yelling obscenities and waving their guns. Brooks and his friends raised their hands and held still.

"Hey, man, what did we do?" asked Brooks, but the frenzied cops, who with the National Guard were in the process of killing over 30 Afro-Americans, were too crazed with racist anger and fear to answer.

As the cops yelled and threatened, Deputy Buford Lauer, Jr. swung the butt of his gun at Brooks hitting Brooks' arm and the car door. The gun fired. Deputy Sheriff Ronald E. Ludlow standing nearby was shot—fatally.

The now doubly crazed cops dragged Brooks and the others out of the car and beat them—after handcuffing them. Later in jail the three were beaten again. All had to have medical treatment.

On August 31 a Grand Jury secretly indicted all three on a charge of first degree murder. Attorneys for them

tried to have the charges dismissed. On September 24, Judge John G. Barnes denied this motion in Superior Court.

The District Court of Appeals finally dismissed the charges against two of the men and they were freed after four months in jail. But the first degree murder charge was kept against Brooks. He was in jail seven months before being allowed to be released on bail.

A group of aroused citizens formed the Brooks Defense Committee and began fighting back against the attempt at legal lynching being pressed by a DA

who cooked up legal excuses to make the first degree murder charge sound plausible.

Even so, the Supreme Court of California refused to review the indictment against Brooks.

The committee, spurred on by the popular indignation against this attempt to make a scapegoat out of Brooks for another killing by cops, put out appeals widely exposing the lynch-like nature of the charges. They won broad support. As a result Brooks was acquitted of the charges on April 27.



Philip Bentley Brooks, his Wife Shirley, his widowed mother and four sons: Philip Jr., Richie, Anthony Ray and Jerry.

The 1,001st Revision of Marxism

## How to Scuttle the Socialist Revolution -In One Easy Seminar at Notre Dame

In a thousand and first attempt to transform Karl Marx from a lion into a nice tabby cat, a bunch of professors were meeting last week at Notre Dame University in Indiana.

The professors hailed from Eastern as well as Western Europe and the United States. They all came to review, and many came to revise, Marxism.

It would be tedious, especially in a newspaper, to answer for the thousand and first time the moth-eaten revisions of Marxism that these savants fabricated anew.

And it would be to belabor the obvious to say that the notoriously conservative Notre Dame was only too happy to be host to such a worthy body and privy to such productive labors.

But a delegate from Yugoslavia said something there that has a direct bearing on world politics that we should take note of. Although couched in theoretical (or anti-theoretical) language, his statement was virtually a call for the

immediate scuttling of the socialist revolution.

In the midst of a dissertation on the now familiar middle class theme of "alienation" (which has practically nothing to do with Marx's analysis, emphasis or historical estimate of the worker's alienation from his tools and product) Professor Gajo Petrovic said:

"The problem of de-alienation of economic life cannot be solved by the abolition of private property. The transformation of private property into state property does not introduce an essential change in the situation of the working man, the producers.

"The de-alienation of economic life requires [also the abolition of state property, its transformation into real social property, and this can be achieved only by organizing the whole of social life on the basis of self-management of the immediate producers." (as reported by M.S. Handler in the New York

Times of April 27).

In the first paragraph quoted he is saying that the worker's material status has nothing to do with his mental life. He is saying that the socialist method of rescuing workers from unemployment, for example, "does not introduce an essential change" in their lives.

To the extent that he is really concerned with "alienation"—the worker's alienation, rather than the middle class malaise of rootlessness, guilt, frustration, etc.—he means that the worker is still an "appendage to the machine" after socialism as well as before. But he "forgets" three things:

1. That the problem of millions of workers in countries like Yugoslavia is precisely that without socialism they do not have any machines at all and they need machines in order to live—alienation or no alienation.

2. That Marx saw the worker as the "appendage to the machine" under capitalism, but projected the solution

under socialism that the machine would then become the appendage of the worker, because of a fundamental change in social relations.

3. That above all, this change in social relations would need the conquest of the world capitalist market by world socialism—that is, by socialism proving its economic superiority—and by production for the market being replaced by production planned on the basis of the interests of mankind rather than the profits of capitalists. (This, by the way, requires many more national revolutions—something far from the heart of Mr. Petrovic and most of his fellow conferees at Notre Dame.)

As to the second quoted paragraph—it is quite true that the achievement of "real social property" is necessary for general human well being and happiness. But the road to this achievement at this point is not through abolishing state property, but by creating much more state property through the socialist revolution and the dictatorship of the proletariat—something generally unmentioned in the wordy pronouncements of the Notre Dame thinkers (even though some of them may be serious Marxists).

Petrovic explains that "the whole of social life" must be organized "on the basis of self-management of the immediate producers."

### The Social Outlook of a Grocer

The family-operated, 18 hour-a-day New York delicatessen admirably fits the latter phrase. How fortunate that it does not shape "the whole of social life"!

Of course Petrovic is really referring to the so-called "worker management councils" in Yugoslavia, which are not a step beyond state property to stateless, harmoniously cooperative mankind, as he implies, but a stride backward toward capitalist property relations. This is because they weaken the national planning principle, engage in competition, submit themselves to the capitalist world market more or less directly, create new—or rather begin to re-create the old—inequalities.

Naturally the workers should control their own state, correct the state planning that is incorrect, and throw out the planners who do not take the workers into consideration and who do not faithfully represent the vast majority of the working masses. But they must also defend the centralized planning as opposed to the market relations of capitalism, which restore the concept of "each against all" and sneak the workers' heads back into the noose of exploitation.

This would be the road to genuine "social ownership" on the basis of the socialist revolution and its forward advancement, but this is not what is happening in Yugoslavia and it is not what Mr. Petrovic advocates.

On the contrary, on the basis of what he says and advocates, no socialist revolution is necessary at all—as any Notre Dame Jesuit will be glad to show him.

Sen. Dodd Slush Fund to be Probed by Fellow Grafters

# Ex-FBI Con-man Exposed

By Ellen Pierce

With prices and taxes going up, who would not welcome \$100,000 in cash, tax-free, and such knick-knacks as cars and furniture from friends and admirers? Naturally, anybody with such generous friends would be glad to do a favor or two for them in return!

Such is the story of Senator Thomas Dodd of Connecticut, one of Congress' loudest anti-Communists.

This story begins happily (for Dodd) with several fund-raising dinners in '61 and '63 to collect money for campaign expenses. \$100,000 was raised.

The main speaker at two of these dinners, by the way, was Lyndon Johnson, then Vice President. Dodd used thousands of this campaign money to pay for personal items, including jaunts to Florida with his family, country club bills, and other things that most people do without.

Here is where the story starts to get sad for the Senator (but don't weep too much, Dodd is a man who would happily exterminate the anti-imperialist millions of Vietnam, Cuba and China.)

Facts about the "campaign funds" being used for personal expenses were published by Drew Pearson, a newspaper columnist who got hold of Dodd's files. Also brought to light were facts on Dodd's friends and admirers and how he carries out with them the old saying "one good turn deserves another." (We'd call it bribery.)

The FBI has been working on the case. Not investigating Dodd's misuse of funds, but hounding the people who helped bring his dishonesty to light. Pearson also accuses President Johnson, an old friend of both Dodd and FBI Director Hoover, of ordering this harassment. But at last the Senate

ethics committee, after months of looking the other way, is stepping in to investigate.

The ethics committee was formed after the Bobby Baker affair. (Baker, a protege of Johnson, was the man who used his connections as secretary to the Senate Democratic Majority to build a personal fortune of about \$2 million.) At the time some Senators pushed for widening the inquiry to include investigations of the personal staffs of Senators as well as employees of the Senate as a whole.

When Senator Williams of Delaware suggested investigating the ethics of the Senators themselves, however, the whole thing was quietly dropped, and that is probably why Baker got off scot-free.

On April 29, the new ethics committee announced that it would investigate connections between Dodd and General Julius Klein, an agent for West German businesses. This was only after months of exposes by Drew Pearson and enormous pressure from the public.

Dodd issued a statement saying he was "pleased" by the committee's announcement, that this would give him a chance to clear his besmirched name, etc.

Dodd himself is small potatoes, just an ex-FBI agent with enough connections to get into the Senate from a medium-sized state. And \$100,000 is only penny ante money to many of the

Washington plunderers who are millionaires in their own right.

But since many of the Senators are involved in similar and much bigger swindles than Dodd, they can hardly be expected to want to expose or censure him. It could open the door to enormous scandals, exposing how the various monopolies control the Senators. And that is the last thing the Senators, or for that matter, the ethics committee wants.

## Generous Senators Pay YOUR Money For Guns Even McNamara Doesn't Want!

WASHINGTON, April 28—Along with an extra \$17.2 billion for "strengthening the nation's fighting forces," the Senate just appropriated over \$200 million today that the Administration says it does not want. The measure was passed by voice vote, with very little opposition.

Among the items was \$169 million as a small down payment on a Nike X missile defense system that as great an authority as the super-efficient mass-killer, Defense Sec'y Robert S. McNamara, says is unnecessary. And another \$75 million was for a nuclear-powered frigate for jet interceptors. This also was a pet project of Congressmen and not advocated by top Defense officials.

McNamara had earlier testified that a Nike X system might cost as much

as \$32 billion if fully extended.

This fantastic amount was "not shocking" said Senator Richard B. Russell in view of the possibility of the weapons "saving several million people."

Russell is in favor of more GIs getting killed right now in the interest of defeating Vietnam. And his Louisiana buddy, Senator Long, bawled out in pain on the Senate floor not long ago at the thought of giving automatic pensions of \$40 a month to people who reach the age of 70 whether they have paid into Social Security or not. (This would have cost about one per cent of the Nike X's estimated expense.)

Yesterday, the Senate barely managed to pass a bill for token aid to hard-up home renters. It came to \$12 million and was passed 46 to 45. The money for school children's lunches throughout the country is yet to be found.

Of course the money spent on school lunches and old people does not directly benefit the giant corporations who make bombs, missiles, ships, etc. and who have their personal representatives in the lobbies—and on the floor—of Congress.



Through the Magnifying Glass

By John Moore

## Bankers Get Raise

NEW YORK, April 28—The city government here has just agreed to pay the bankers another \$10 million a year for their services. The ten million is the interest on \$241,755,000 about to be issued in municipal bonds.

Two things about this bond issue are worth noting.

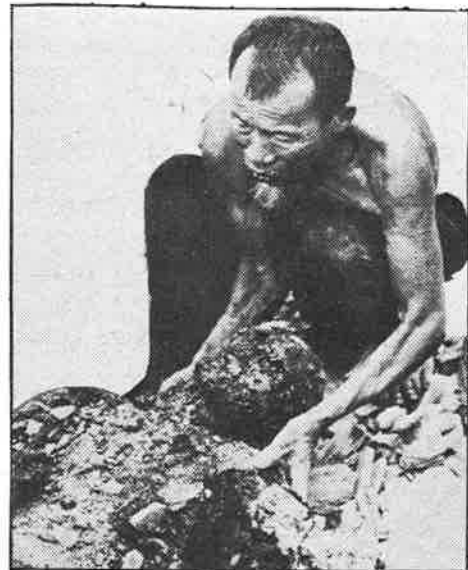
1. It will pay one of the highest New York bond interests in the city's history—4.2 per cent.

2. This is non-taxable. While 4.2 per cent may not sound high to a worker who is used to paying 12 to 30 per cent a year for personal loans (a charge account in many stores soaks the trusting customer 2 per cent a month), it is actually a whopping amount for the billionaire banks because of its tax-free character.

The \$10 million income, if it came from stocks, would be nicked by the government for \$7,700,000, assuming it was honestly reported.

But since the income on municipal bonds is tax-free, this money stays right in the coffers of the banks.

New Yorkers can remember, when they pay their sales taxes and high rents, that they are not only subsidizing the bankers, but taking the obligation of paying the bankers' share of the income tax, too.



Peasant recognizing the body of his son, who was napalm-burned to death May 11, 1965.

## Why You Pay High Prices for Food

According to latest government statistics, living costs are skyrocketing—and you don't have to read statistics to know it; all you have to do is to look in your pocketbook. Most of this increase is in the price of food.

Where is all this dough going? Who's getting it—the farmer?

Most farm products are now produced by large factory-in-the-field farms. These well-off or company-owned farms have been prospering. They're doing so well, in fact, that Deere and Co., farm machinery makers, had a 25 per cent increase in sales the first quarter. And Ford Tractor has a rise of 130 per cent.

But other farms—dairy farms in particular are not doing quite so well. They are now usually run by a farmer who has been able to buy up several other farms from those who have been forced out of business by high costs and low prices received. But even this still relatively small farmer is not his own boss.

He has to have loans to operate, to buy equipment, to modernize. He is loaned money by a bank only on the basis that they have the say-so on his operations. He has to work to pay them and pay them despite the high cost of feed, machinery, and fertilizer.

In addition to sharing his income with the bank, the feed company, the farm machine company, and the fertilizer company, this farmer must accept the prices offered him by big processing and marketing companies. He doesn't see those high prices paid by the consumer.

The biggest food processing company is the National Dairy Products Corporation. While food prices were soaring the first three months of this year, National Dairy sales and profits also soared.

Their sales were up 8 per cent.

But their profits were up 18.5 per cent.

Like the other companies mentioned they intend to get their share of the war boom.

We pay.

## The Joy of Killing People - Napalm Makes \$\$\$\$\$

Swinging into gear with the same cheerful glow as German big business constructing gas chambers, U.S. big business is now making the latest mass murder devices with a gusto. Just ammunition is budgeted at \$7.8 billion for 1966-67.

Even if the massive attack carried out by the greatest military machine of all time does not cow the valiant farmers and workers of Vietnam who are determined to rule their own country, it sure produces profits. Businessmen are excited by the prospects. Suppliers of such things as oil, aluminum, and drugs (napalm, airplanes, and medical supplies for wounded) are making the most they ever made. On the same day Socony Mobil Oil, Alcoa Aluminum, and Pfizer drugs reported record earnings.

Big business's April 30 Business Week shows the joyous news in colored photographs of munitions producers' products.

Rows of shiny, silvery fire bombs sit outside the American Electric plant in California just waiting to go and be filled with napalm and be dropped so that more can be ordered.

500-lb. bombs come cascading down the inspection line at the Norris-Thermador Corp. in Los Angeles. Rockefeller-controlled McDonnell Aircraft of St. Louis has rows of gleaming new airplanes being built for take-off with the bombs and rockets and napalm. Bright brass 45 caliber shells are overflowing the bins at the Winchester plant in East Alton, Illinois.

Ah, there's riches to be made! And all sorts of little known names subsidiaries or suppliers of larger companies hope to share in the blood money.

Yet there are complaints from the pigs at the money trough: will the golden slop keep coming. A business man, identified as "a Midwest machine tool maker" voices their concern: "EVERYONE," he says, "COULD DO A BETTER JOB IF THERE WAS A LONG TERM COMMITMENT TO WAR PRODUCTION."

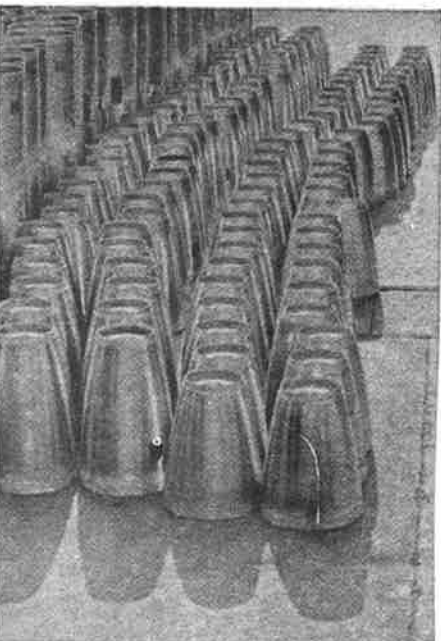
## Malcolm X Day

NEW YORK—May 19 has been set as "Malcolm X Day" and a pilgrimage will be made to Malcolm's grave at that time.

The Organization of Afro-American Unity, originally founded by Malcolm X, made this announcement at an open forum in the Hotel Theresa here on April 17.

A press release from the meeting said "The organization and its supporters have dedicated themselves to achieving full freedom of the Afro-American people through a thorough knowledge of his history and heritage, separation, economic independence, political strength and self-determination." It suggested that the President of the United States proclaim May 19, the birthday of Malcolm X, as an official holiday.

Mrs. Ellie L. Collins is president of the organization, whose headquarters is in the Theresa Hotel.



Fire bombs, awaiting shipment from American Electric in California, will be filled with napalm in Vietnam.

Napalm fire bombs stacked at American Electric in California. They will be filled with napalm in Vietnam.