

# SPEAK YOUR PIECE

## A Future for For Daily Worker

PITTSBURGH.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Like everyone else, we are distressed by the paper's situation. However, in answering the questions you pose in Tuesday's paper I believe we will find the answers.

Yes, it would be a grave setback for the paper to stop publication.

The present Worker and Daily are good for their line, for the opportunity presented and encouraged for democratic participation, for the editorials which in most cases are sound. However, the paper is bad from the viewpoint of American news-writing. It is dull almost all the time.

To give an example from another left of center publication, the Guardian, which is always bright, whose writing is always concise and clear, we must learn certain things. Of course, the Guardian errs all over the place politically on occasion but is essentially correct and it is a weekly with more time for preparation of copy, etc. But nevertheless the standard of the Daily is not good and something quite drastic needs to be done about it.

The format is all right. It is the articles, the text, the body. When we have to go to the capitalist press for our news AFTER reading the Daily it is a poor deal and needs correction. This does not help circulation; in fact it helps kill off good friends.

The Left papers must become broad papers but always with a basic Marxist approach that is correct in all essentials. Format, content, etc. must (like the People's World) broaden out, yes, even more than the World while not being like the Guardian. It must be Left, but Left with an attraction to broader people to read and contribute material and money.

I see no contradiction between our helping if possible to build socialist or united front papers or other publications in as many places as possible while at the same time fighting to maintain the Daily. It is the same problem as our maintaining the Party and at the same time helping on concrete questions to work with other left organizations and even broader forces on parallel lines or in a united front.

I think it is a necessity in the light of present conditions. But first we must rally our own forces and unite ourselves on a new American, democratic basis as Marxist-Leninists living and working and applying theory in an American way to our own country. And at the same time our movement and our press must be both nationalistic and international in its viewpoint and understanding of our own and other nation's problems, grasping the interrelationship of things and not becoming one-

sided in our thinking and application as I am afraid some of our key leadership from the past has been and remains today.

There must be a common ground on all basic questions of principle. Let's end disunity and procrastination. There's plenty to do, and damned few to do it. So if there still are some want to stand at the wailing wall of the past and bemoan the good old days of bureaucracy and sectarianism let them do it. We've got a world to win. Let's start here in the U.S. and see whether we can't do it in the American way that American workers understand.

—ALLAN McNEIL.

## Peace Held the Only Consideration

Editor, Daily Worker.

I have been preparing a letter on the radically different conditions in the new era of today. This letter is meant to appeal to all strata, in all countries in the Western World (not only the left) in defense of peace—the only thing that really matters today. One part of this letter deals with the CPUSA. As I am not a writer, I have difficulty in arranging my material; hence the letter is not ready.

Here are the main ideas:

A. The atom monopoly is broken—its consequences.

B. Military stalemate between East and West is a demonstrated reality.

C. The cold war is lost. Dead.

D. Neither side can intimidate or dictate to the other without risk of all-out war. Neither side will permit forceful changes in its respective areas.

E. Coexistence is the result of this balance of forces. It is backed up by atomic weapons on both sides. Hence, peaceful competition between the two systems is a galloping fact. Splendid!

F. As a result of the above, the world has reached a new stage in its history—a new era—a new epoch: the rapid industrialization of the under-developed nations; the race of automation in the highly industrialized countries; and the gift of atomic energy. Nothing can stop this process—this boon to mankind—but war. Therefore, peace is paramount.

G. This new epoch—the Atomic Epoch, sets new tasks for all of us, but especially for the left. The most important task by far is the defense of peace—holy peace. (As long as atomic weapons are stockpiled, the danger of war remains). Hence, peace is our only consideration.

Peace, and only peace, will guarantee that the new forces set free shall liberate mankind from the age of insecurity to the age of abundance—and superabundance! Please note that this economic upheaval in the making will cause great changes in every nation. This economic

revolution now taking place will dwarf everything that went before. It is the answer to the countless philosophers, poets, and dreamers who sought a world fit for man, all men.

Paradoxical as it may seem, nothing else is needed for this greatest of all revolutions than the maintenance of peace. . . .

J.D.

## Many Roads To Socialism

DENVER

Editor, Daily Worker:

There was a saying that all roads lead to Rome. At present, many roads will lead to socialism. It has been pointed out by Joseph Clark that socialism has advanced mostly in underdeveloped countries like Russia and China. The question today is not whether Marx foresaw this trend but what are the valid reasons for this occurrence. Why did not any of the more industrial countries become socialistic?

It all boils down to some fundamental principle which shows that before a change is desired in anything, a dissatisfaction with the old or prevailing has to exist. It is an axiom in any phase of endeavor. The centuries of Czarist atrocities and feudal rule, the centuries of Mandarin rule, were more than ripe for a drastic change, and socialism offered the road to a better life. Of course, it did not come easy. It is also therefore more appreciated.

We in this country have an entirely different background. The pioneer spirit of 100 years ago with the unlimited possibilities, has not entirely disappeared. The great developments in industry and agriculture have tended to perpetuate this idea. The devastating depressions have not produced a desire by workers to change the economic structure. The socialist movement has always been a persecuted and harassed minority. But it has been instrumental in bringing about measures like unemployment insurance and minimum wages. These and other achievements of the socialist movement are not fully evaluated by the average worker due to slander and misrepresentation.

The present so-called prosperity is like a sleight-of-hand performance. Here you have something and here it disappears. It leaves the worker puzzled. The bulk of the wealth gets siphoned down into the billion-dollar corporations. We are all free to do it ourselves. But just try it. Where do you start?

While this is going on here, the socialist countries are advancing with seven-league boots. They had a slow and primitive start but their accomplishments are phenomenal.

In the educational field the USSR has already outstripped any major capitalist country. Economically they are not very

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mat gave this capsule of Egypt's legal position:

"The Suez Canal Co. was an Egyptian company subject to Egyptian laws and customs. In its capacity as the territorial sovereign state, the Egyptian government granted the company a concession to construct and operate a canal in Egyptian territory for a specific duration."

"It is also in that capacity and in the full exercise of its sovereign rights that the Egyptian Government deemed it necessary to terminate the concession. The relation between the Egyptian government and the company was not and could not have been but one of internal law."

"The claim that the concessions granted to the company and the convention of 1888 are interlocked is wholly unwarranted."

"The principle of guaranteeing for all and for all time the freedom of navigation in the Suez Canal is the most basic among the principles which should guide the work of the negotiating body."

Among the objectives Fawzi said should be attained are:

1. Establishing a system of co-operation between the Egyptian Authority operating the Suez Canal and the users of the canal, taking into full consideration the sovereignty and rights of Egypt and the interests of the users of the canal.

2. Establishing a system for the tolls and charges which guarantee for the users of the canal a fair treatment free from exploitation.

3. Providing for a reasonable percentage of the revenues of the Canal to be allotted especially for improvements.

## Registration

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that upstate generally goes GOP, most of the major urban areas upstate have not gone GOP in national elections.

The ability of the various labor, civic and political bodies to get out the New York vote may be decisive in deciding how the state goes in the election. The city's potential vote is reckoned at about 5,000,000. In the past few presidential elections, about 70 percent of the potential has registered. The upstate percentage of eligible voters to register has been higher than in the city, and the upstaters, with less than half the state's population, enereally cast more than half the votes.

One reason for this is the low percentage of voters signing up among the Negro, Puerto Rican and foreign-born workers in New York City.

A large registration in these areas would not only strengthen labor's electoral drive against the Cadillac Cabinet, but also increase the influence of workers, Negroes and Puerto Ricans in the politics of the city and state. Since the overwhelming percentage of these voters tend to back the Democratic Party, large-scale enrollment in that party by these groups would especially tend to strengthen their position there.

**DON'T FORGET  
TO REGISTER**

## PROFESIONAL FOOTBALL TRUST CASE TO GET REVIEW

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8.—The Supreme Court today agreed to decide whether professional football is exempt from the Federal anti-trust laws.

The court will soon schedule arguments on the case and later will hand down a written opinion.

The case was the fourth in the general field of entertainment where the court has been asked to rule whether a given activity is subject to anti-trust prosecution.

In recent terms, the court has granted an exemption to professional baseball but has denied it to professional boxing and to producers of plays and musicals.

Pro football's test case was brought in 1949 by William Radovich of Los Angeles, one-time tackle for the Detroit Lions, against the National Football League and its teams.

Radovich objected to the "re-

tract which tied him to the Lions so that he could not "shop-around" for another employer. He asked for damages and a court order permitting him to market his talents where he chose.

Last March 27 the ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld a lower court's dismissal of Radovich's complaint.

The Supreme Court today refused to examine a challenge to New York's income tax law, which denies to non-residents certain reductions that may be claimed by New Yorkers.

Today's brief order lets stand a State Court decision upholding the validity of the law.

The suit was started by Charles Goodwin, Jr., New York attorney who commutes every day from Tenafly, N.J. He is also vice-president of the Evergreens, a New York corporation which operates a cemetery.

far behind. Peace and time have become a great factor. Given the proper time, they will set the world an example of prosperity for all without exploitation of man by man, which is a form of barbarism.

Just as the U.S.A. set an example for political democracy in 1776, so will the world adopt

the economic democracy set by the socialist countries. The socialist ideas must be vigorously spread to reach the broad masses. The truth cannot be hidden forever. The political democracy here will be the stepping-stone for the road to socialism. Nothing will stop the will of the people.—A.S.