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### MORE HANDCUFFS?

More handcuffs will be put on trade unions if reactionaries win the elections next November. That's the plain warning of none other than the Wall Street Journal.

In its lead story recently, The Journal reported, 'Influential Republicans and Southern Democrats are mulling over such schemes as putting labor under antitrust laws, or simply breaking up nation-wide unions.'

The Journal said Sen. Robert Taft (R., Ohio) wants to put through what he calls "an anti-labor-monopoly law."

"Industry-wide bargaining," The Journal reported, "would be outlawed in most industries by requiring the employees in each separate company to choose their own bargaining agent. No union official would be entitled to negotiate labor contracts for the employees of more than one company."

It said that Taft now thinks this ban on industry-wide bargaining should have been written into the Taft-Hartley Act.

The Journal comments, "This November's elections hold the key to what happens. It's a good bet that Congress will wait for a clue from the voters this fall before embarking on a drive against industry-wide bargaining."

The job ahead for trade unionists and their friends is clear: Whether they will wear more legislative shackles, or, in some cases, lose union protection altogether, depends on their going to the polls.

Are you registered to vote?

### AMA's POLITICAL PILLS

John McCormack (D., Mass.), the floor leader of the House, has served in Congress for 24 years. He therefore, knows what lobbying pressure means.

But it took the American Medical Association to put on what McCormack called "the greatest exhibition of pressure" he had ever seen when it succeeded in getting the House to kill a measure to improve the Social Security Law. "We hear all this talk about pressure groups working on Congress," McCormack said. "In this case, within the twinkling of an eye, through one telegram, the AMA persuaded 140 members of the House to vote differently from the way they had intended to vote."

The AMA raised the old cry of "Socialism" against the bill because it provided for representatives of the Federal government to check on examinations of disabled persons made by private physicians, just as in cases of veterans who claim disability benefits.

The AMA reported spending more than \$69,000 on lobbying during the first 3 months of this year—more than any other group except the National Association of Electric Companies.

### CHURCHES AND SOCIALISM

Amid cries that America is headed toward "Socialism" comes the report that the income of Protestant churches is running at record levels.

According to Dr. Albert M. Conover, director of the Bureau of Church Building and Architecture of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U. S., Protestant church income now amounts to \$1.2 billion a year, or \$400 million more than the churches received in 1929, and \$800 million more than their income during the depression years.

More than \$1 billion worth of work on Protestant church buildings alone are in architects' offices awaiting construction starts. And experts predict that church construction this year will exceed the 3,726 churches built at a cost of \$260 million in 1950.

The Year Book of American Churches reported that churches of all faiths own more than \$7 billion in property of all kinds.

Socialism?

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# Colonial Stores

## Minimum Standards Set To Bar Inferior Bread

By BERT SEIDMAN

The Food and Drug Administration has announced minimum standards for five leading kinds of bread: white, enriched, milk, raisin, and whole wheat. Unfortunately, FDA decided to set maximum standards for bread at the same time it was putting a floor under quality. Apparently FDA feels that the housewife is not entitled to the best bread she can get.

The main effect of the minimum standards is to limit to 38 per cent the amount of moisture that bread can contain. The remaining 62 per cent must be edible.

Another important decision was to exclude from the list of permitted ingredients chemical "softeners" which have the effect of making bread appear fresh even when it is actually stale. The FDA said that such softeners have not proved to be safe for human consumption.

In setting maximum standards, the FDA said that the McKay Formula bread developed at Cornell University which contains more of the nutritious milk solids, soy flour, and wheat germs than FDA's maximum standards for white bread cannot be called white bread.

The FDA claimed that consumers would be confused if the Cornell-developed bread were sold under the white bread label—this despite the fact that over 500,000 loaves a day are sold.

### Food Buys

Meat markets will be bulging with broilers and fryers in June. Eggs and oranges also will be plentiful. All of these items are expected to be reasonably priced.

You will also find good supplies of canned and frozen citrus products, lots of leaf and head lettuce, and many early summer vegetables, including asparagus, green beans, spinach and other greens, and carrots. There should also be plenty of canned peas.

Don't throw away celery leaves. The tender, inner leaves should be eaten along with the stalk or cut up in salad; outer, less tender leaves may be cooked or used in soup or stuffing.

When cooking meat remember that moderate heat keeps losses low—that means more meat left to serve for each pound purchased.

The Department of Agriculture has established three

grades for ready-to-cook poultry.

A Grade poultry is limited to high quality birds with no deformities, well fleshed, and with fat well distributed under the skin. B Grade birds will be those falling short of these standards, and the C quality is of still lower quality.

Government-graded birds will carry a label in the shape of a shield and carry the words, "U. S. Grade A" or whatever quality the bird may be.

You may not remember all the things you want to buy if you don't carry a shopping list, but you can always remember to look for the union label on all your purchases.

### FATE OF TIDELANDS

(Continued From Page 1) candidate. Party leaders who want preferred treatment were warned they'd better get on the bandwagon before it's too late. Following the election of solid blocks of delegates in Oregon and Vermont, supporters of Gen. Dwight Eisenhower claimed 542 first ballot votes, with victory on the second ballot. A majority of California's 70 votes, switching from Gov. Warren, or a majority of the votes from Pennsylvania and Michigan, will get more than the 604 needed to nominate, said Ike's backers.

Many believe that South Dakota's last-in-the-nation June 3 primary, with only 14 delegates at stake, may be just as crucial as the New Hampshire first-in-the-nation primary, which also involved only 14 delegates.

### DEVER TO KEYNOTE

Gov. Paul A. Dever of Massachusetts will be keynoter and House Speaker Sam Rayburn of Texas will be permanent chairman at the Chicago Democratic national convention July 21. Rep. John McCormack (Mass.) will be chairman of a preliminary platform drafting committee, in which civil rights again will be an explosive issue. Getting 12 votes in the Oregon primary, Sen. Kefauver was estimated by the Associated Press to have 114 delegates so far. He claimed 127. Averell Harriman, next was estimated to have 92 1-2.

### AFL WINS TWO PLANTS

(Continued From Page 1) to 14 employees. Among the cease-and-desist items was one against "requiring employees to be

interviewed by 'psychoanalysts' as to their union views."

### COURT DENIES HONORING OF PICKET LINES

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duties which requires him to cross the picket line."

Judge Charles E. Clark, in a dissenting opinion, said:

"To say that a workman is protected from discharge for refusing to cross a picket line only when his refusal is outside of his working hours seems to me to be a practical nullification of the statutory provision."

### Picket Line At Another Plant

Judge Maris also wrote:

"This case squarely presents the question whether it is an unfair labor practice for an employer to discharge an employee who refuses to obey the employer's orders to perform that part of his regular duties which involve his crossing the picket line of another union than his own at another plant than that of his employer."

Judge Maris noted that this condition involved a man's exercising "the right to assist labor organization and to engage in other concerted activities for the purpose of mutual aid or protection," guaranteed by the act. He contended, however, that Waugh did not claim his refusal to cross the picket line was based on such an exercise of his right. Instead, said Maris, "Waugh's only concern appeared to be with his own standing as a union man."

This point also was attacked by Judge Clark. He pointed out that even though the Taft-Hartley Act "reversed the trend toward unions fostered by the Wagner Act, it did so by bringing the employer also within the aegis of laissez faire."

"And when it limited the weapon of the boycott, it took pains to except from the newly defined unfair labor practices of a union or its agents the crossing of a picket line."

### ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of John B. Oakley, Jr., late of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Rt. 3, Box 31, Charlotte, N. C., on or before the 5th day of June, 1952, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 5th day of June, 1952. G. H. OAKLEY, Administrator of the Estate of John B. Oakley, Jr. (6-5,12,19,26;7-3,10-c)

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## Frank Edwards Says:

**IGNORING THE CONSUMER . . .**  
 The Senate Banking Committee has voted to extend the weak price control program only until next March 1. Two Democratic committee members warned this action would weaken the dikes against inflation. They criticized the committee for not adopting a single amendment favoring the consuming public. The committee also voted to strip the Wage Stabilization Board of its authority to settle labor disputes and proposed leaving only public members on the board. Previously, when former Mobilization Chief Charles Wilson was asked who these public members might be, he replied: "Businessmen."

**TAKING THE WRAPS OFF . . .**  
 Another move toward runaway inflation came when the Federal Reserve Board lifted all restrictions on installment buying. Warehouses are stuffed with merchandise bought largely with borrowed money. If the public buys this merchandise, banks will get their loans repaid, merchants will pay off their inventory loans, and the public will have additional billions of dollars in installment payments to pay off . . . if it can.

**JOE GOT YOUR MONEY . . .**  
 The Senate group investigating the fitness of Sen. Joe McCarthy (R., Wis.) was told that he received \$10,000 from the Lustron Housing Corp. for writing a housing pamphlet. At that time Lustron was losing money at the rate of \$500 thousand a month. Only about half the pamphlets were sold and the rest were discarded as wastepaper. Lustron still feels the money was well spent. Could it be because McCarthy was on several Senate committees interested in housing?

**PAYING TILL IT HURTS . . .**  
 The New York State Medical Association announced the development of a new drug which, with one injection, kills pain for as long as two weeks. Doctors say that patients will be well on their way to recovery without knowing they've had an operation. Don't worry, Doc, they'll know it when you hand them the bill.

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