

Magazine Plugs Reynolds' Tune

For Americans who wonder why John Birch Societies are born, there's an answer in Time magazine's Show Business section of Feb. 28.

The magazine discusses the new hit folksong "Little Boxes" and identifies its composer — career Communist Malvina Reynolds — as merely "a liberal and a ban-the-bomber."

"No wonder," wrote a TOCSIN reader last week, "frustrated Americans start seeing Communists under beds when our communications media refuse to inform us about the real ones."

With all its vast research facilities, it seemed as if Time must have access to copies of the People's World and government reports.

Was time unaware that Malvina Reynolds:

— Was identified as a Communist before the House Committee on Un-American Committee?

— Wrote for the People's World under the name of Marjorie Crane?

— Was registered as a Communist in Alameda County as early as 1936?

— Ran for city council in Long Beach, Calif., as a candidate on the Communist-run Independent Progressive Party ticket?

— Is the daughter of a charter member of the Communist Party?

— Frequently performs at Communist-front benefits?

— Has been a representative for the Communist National Guardian?

— Is related directly or by marriage to other persons active in the Communist movement, including the sister of Los Angeles Communist Party Chairman Dorothy Healey?

Curiously also, Time managed to select for its example of the popularity of Mrs. Reynolds' new song the fact that part of its lyrics had been used by a Berkeley realty firm. The realty firm, as reported in TOCSIN, March 4, belongs to Morris Tepping, himself the possessor of a Communist-front record. Both Tepping and Mrs. Reynolds' husband are active in the

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Communists in Co-ops

The former chairman of the machinists branch of an Alameda County (Calif.) Communist Party club was elected chairman of one of the Berkeley-based Consumers Cooperatives of Northern California at balloting last year.

He is William K. Mitchell, who is chairman of the University Avenue center.

Active in the CP movement since his student days in the 1930's at the University of California, Mitchell was a registered voter with the Communist-run Independent Progressive Party in 1955. References in the Communist People's World show him to have been a supporter of that paper from the mid-40's.

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THE PICKETS WHO PLAYED THE PALACE

Communists' Kin Demonstrate

Charges by the San Francisco Hotel Employers Association that there was Marxist influence in the mass picketing of the Sheraton Palace this month were confirmed in the identity of a number of persons arrested during the demonstrations.

The hotel association had charged that the Ad Hoc Committee to End Discrimination is not a true civil-rights group but stems from the avowedly Marxist W.E.B. DuBois Club. The club, which has chapters active in San Francisco and at the University of California in Berkeley, is named for the recently deceased Communist exile. DuBois died in Ghana last year after formally joining the CP, to which he had long been dedicated.

A leader of the Ad Hoc Committee is Mike Myerson, a DuBois Club member who was also chairman of the U.S. Festival Committee which ran the American delegation to the Communist World Youth Festival in Helsinki in 1962. Myerson admitted that Communists were "welcome" in the picketing.

The demonstrations, which ended Saturday with victory for the picketers through a new minority hiring pact, had resulted in hundreds of arrests.

SECOND GENERATION

Although identified Communists for the most part kept shrewdly in the background, there were some familiar "second-generation" supporters among those arrested. These included:

David L. Jenkins, 18, son of old-time Communist Hyman (David) Jenkins who ran the California Labor School, a now defunct Communist training center.

Bettina Aptheker, 19, daughter of top Communist Party theoretician Herbert Aptheker.

Paul D. Richards, 19, son of identified Communist Harvey Richards of Atherton, California.

Steven J. Kahn, 22, son of Communist writer Albert E. Kahn who has resided for long periods in the Soviet Union.

Nora B. Lapin, 21, daughter of the late Adam Lapin who was a correspondent for the Daily Worker and the People's World.

Carl Granich, 24, son of present-day People's World and Worker columnist Mike Gold.

OFFSPRING OF FRONTERS

Others arrested were offspring of per-

sons long associated with Communist fronts. These included:

Kipp Dawson, 18, daughter of Mrs. Ann Dawson of Berkeley who has a lengthy record of support for such causes as the Communist People's World. Miss Dawson was secretary of the pro-Castro Committee to Uphold the Right to Travel during the furor surrounding an illegal

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Pro-Soviet Mag to Warren: 'Resign'

A pro-Soviet magazine published in New Jersey has called for the resignation of Chief Justice Earl Warren from the chairmanship of the commission investigating the assassination of President Kennedy.

The Minority of One, edited by M. S. Arnoni, placed a quarter-page ad in the New York Times of March 2 strongly implying disenchantment over the commission's failure to expose the assassination as a right-wing plot.

The publication, which has carried the names of identified Communists among its financial backers, demands the formation of "a new investigative body, composed of prominent public officials and distinguished private citizens."

In the ad, the Minority of One describes itself as a publication devoted to "seeking alternatives to the many wrongs in the structure of our national life," which speaks for "many Americans and not only Americans."

AGREES WITH SOVIETS

Much of the January issue of the publication had been devoted to "proving" the innocence of Lee Harvey Oswald and the guilt of Yale Professor Frederick Barghoorn. The professor was arrested late last year by the Soviet Union on espionage charges after he was found carrying a sheaf of reports thrust into his possession by a Muscovite.

Under a regularly featured column called "I Am Ashamed of..." last December the magazine listed President Kennedy for "urging the continuance of the Cold War, warning against a 'relaxation of vigilance,' and exhorting Ameri-

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Mutual Marxist Back-Scratch

In an example of mutual Marxist back-scratching, old-time Communist-fronter Stringfellow Barr reviews a new book by identified Communist Barrows Dunham in the March 1 Book Week section of the San Francisco Sunday Examiner.

The book is Dunham's "Heroes and Heretics: A Political History of Western Thought" (Knopf). The book and its author come off well in Barr's estimate. "Why not be grateful for a fellow-traveler so charming and intelligent?" asks Barr.

Fellow-traveler? Dunham was identified as a Communist Party member before the House Committee on Un-American Activities in 1953. In 1954 he was fired from Temple University for failure to answer HCUA questions.

In Barr's view, Dunham is merely a heretic against authority (capitalist, of course). "He (Dunham)," writes the reviewer, "is realistically aware that, in America at least, the inquisition is reserved today for those whose economic views seem to endanger established power."

Barr has been active in pro-Communist drives since at least the early 30's when he endorsed recognition of the Soviet Union. As late as last year he was a sponsor of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, a cited Communist front working for abolition of the House Committee on Un-American Activities. Barr in 1957 was one of fewer than a dozen "observers" invited by the Communist Party to attend its closed National Convention. Barr reciprocated the kindness by later reporting that the convention was "democratically conducted" and praising its "vigorous discussion."

WARREN COMMISSION

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cans to 'resolve to be the masters... of history.'

The same issue of the magazine carried the full text of a speech by editor Arnoni, delivered at the 30th annual celebration of a long-cited Communist front, the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, New York.

Meanwhile, the Communist Worker has junked its depiction of Marina Oswald as the suffering prisoner of Secret Service agents and switched to portraying her as a sell-out to capitalism. It charges March 3 that she "obligingly agreed with the FBI and Dallas police stories that her husband assassinated President Kennedy" and implies that profits from book, film and magazine deals will be her reward.

RIFT ON THE LEFT

Socialist Workers Party Expulsions

Five members of the subversive Socialist Workers Party have been expelled for doctrinal crimes and "disloyalty" and are now publishing their own journal, the Spartacist.

All are members of the party's left-wing "revolutionary tendency." They are Shane Mage, Jame Robertson, Geoffrey White, Laurence Ireland and Lynne Harper.

Robertson, who was active in the Berkeley branch of the party during the late 50's, later shifted to the New York unit of the SWP and is now editor of the Spartacist.

The magazine's West Coast representative is Geoffrey White, who was earlier a Communist Party organizer in Providence, Rhode Island, and last year ran for Berkeley City Council with SWP endorsement.

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The expulsion of five Socialist Workers Party members is regarded as further evidence of the working agreement now in existence between the regular Communist Party and adherents of the SWP. Although the latter group and the CP have traditionally been enemies, the House Committee on Un-American Activities in 1962 revealed that the organizations had joined hands in certain fields of Communist activity, notably the Los Angeles Fair Play for Cuba Committee. The Communist Party — while still maintaining its goal of world conquest — has hidden its old militance behind a facade of reasonableness. The expelled SWP adherents had expressed opposition to just such a tendency in their own party.

Traditionally the SWP has adhered to the ultra-revolutionary theories of Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik leader who lost control of the Communist Party to Joseph Stalin after Lenin's death. Trotsky, who had fled to Mexico, was murdered with an axe by Stalin's agent in 1940.

SWP's Trotskyite followers had for years engaged in bitter rivalry with the regular CP, but the death of Stalin and Khrushchev's "de-Stalinization" program were the signals for a new cooperation between the two revolutionary groups.

OLD ENMITIES

Dead and buried for the time being, at least, are the kind of blasts against the SWP which were current during the post-war years in the Communist press. An article in the People's World, West Coast CP organ, of April 21, 1947, for example, called the SWP "the advance agents of Fascism." The SWP, the People's World complained, spent most of its time attacking the Communist Party, progressive labor unions and other "targets of Wall Street."

The period of hostility between the two Communist groups was marked by the

bitter opposition of the SWP to the presidential candidacy of Henry Wallace, endorsed by the Communist-run Independent Progressive Party.

The SWP was running its own candidate, Farrell Dobbs, for president. Although Dobbs was again the SWP choice for chief executive in 1960, his program was in no way distinguishable from the one being pushed by the official Communist Party.

A handbill announcing a meeting in Berkeley in May 1960 offered a talk on "The Cuban Revolution as I Saw It," with Dobbs as speaker. "Just returned from three weeks in Cuba," the flyer boasted. "The only presidential candidate who supported the Cuban Revolution."

'ACT OF WAR'

During the 1962 U.S. naval blockade of Cuba, the SWP joined the CP in ask-

The most widely circulated photo of accused assassin Lee Harvey Oswald showed him holding the murder weapons and a copy of the Militant. The Militant is the publication of the subversive Socialist Workers Party.

ing "hands off Cuba" and declaring the blockade to be "an act of war."

Increasingly also, Communist Party members and former members have participated in activities of the SWP. An instance in the San Francisco Bay Area was a meeting, Nov. 16, 1962, of the Militant Labor Forum, sponsored by the Oakland SWP branch. Featured speaker was Communist Frank Wilkinson, national leader of the drive to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities. He was introduced by Geoffrey White, one of the five expelled members of the SWP referred to above.

Before World War II, main strength of the SWP was centered in Minnesota, where the party controlled the teamsters union. Just before Pearl Harbor, a group of members and adherents of the party were convicted there on charges of conspiracy to create insubordination in the armed forces.

As the first to be tried under the Smith Act for teaching and advocating violent overthrow of the government, SWP members hit back at a Communist Party claim in 1949 that the CP Smith Act cases then going on marked "the first time a political party has been brought to trial."

The SWP tried to reserve that distinction for itself, but it resorted to the familiar CP terms of "frame-up," "railroaded," etc., in its protestations of innocence.

OLD ROOTS

Roots of the SWP go back to 1928 when dissident Communists, expelled from the CP, organized the nucleus of

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New Youth Ploy By SF Marxists

The San Francisco Bay Area, one of the three leading areas of U.S. Communist agitation, will serve as the "national center" for a new Communist-line youth organization, according to an announcement issued last month by the San Francisco W. E. B. DuBois Club, a Marxist group.

The announcement was issued by Terence Hallinan, who is also director of the Marxist San Francisco School of Social Science. Hallinan recently convened 21 persons in Chicago to lay the groundwork for formation of the organization at a convention to be held next June in the same city. He is one of six sons of Marxist attorney Vincent Hallinan, former presidential candidate of the Communist-run Independent Progressive Party.

The new youth organization will seek "radical solutions" to the "deep problems" presented by the "bleak and ominous future" facing American youth. These problems, according to the announcement, include "assault on democratic rights... by powerful and well-financed forces."

"We believe young people in this country are ready to accept... an organization which is interested in the study and development of socialist thought and which takes an active part in the people's struggle," said the announcement.

'Peace' Women vs. NATO

Women Strike for Peace, which was the subject of a probe by the House Committee on Un-American Activities more than a year ago, has launched a new drive, this time to cripple the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The militant "peace" organization which acknowledges its Communist support, is sending out a barrage of propaganda aimed at destruction of a proposal to arm NATO members with nuclear weapons.

Climax of the agitation will be a giant rally to be held May 12-14 in the Hague. The women will send delegates to demonstrate during a meeting of NATO leaders in the Netherlands capital.

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Spring Term Starts At 'Socialist' School

Former University of California Law and speech professor Joseph P. Morray is co-director of the avowedly Marxist San Francisco School of Social Science, which began its spring term March 2.

The school, which operates from 345 Franklin St., is offering courses by two identified Communists. On Mondays, students can learn "Historical Materialism" from Communist Holland Roberts, former director of the Communist California Labor School; on Thursdays, James Forrest, onetime Missouri Communist leader, discusses "Capitalism in Crisis."

Morray himself teaches "Contemporary Problems in Marxism" at the school. A frequent contributor to Communist publications, Morray was in the employ of the Castro government for nearly two years. His wife Marjorie taught at the University of California's Extension Department last year.

Director of the Marxist School is Terence ("Kayo") Hallinan; its secretary is Karol Burkett.

In Other Words...

Translations from Our Liberal Pony: "Keeping all avenues of inquiry open in the Oswald case" (Communist National Guardian, Feb. 20, 1964). Translation: "Continue agitating until we find some way to conceal the facts."

SOCIALIST WORKER PARTY

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what was to become the party. They expressed loyalty to Trotsky against Stalin, "the modern Cain (who) smashed the party Lenin had built and converted the Third International into an instrument of his foreign policy," according to an SWP propaganda booklet.

Trotsky, declaring that a new world party of the socialist revolution must be built, organized the Fourth International in Mexico in 1938. The SWP expressed "full sympathy with its ideas and aims," according to a party statement.

Like the CP itself, the SWP operates schools for the propagation of Marxist revolution.

The SWP is not connected with the Socialist Party, long directed by Norman Thomas, which is not on the Attorney General's list of subversive organizations. Other groups not related to the SWP which carry the term "socialist" are the Socialist Labor Party, publisher of the Weekly People, and the Independent Socialist League, publisher of Labor Action. Neither is on the 1958 AG's list.

The Young People's Socialist League is the youth section of the Socialist Party-Social Democratic Federation and is unrelated to the Young Socialist Alliance, youth branch of the SWP.

PHASING OUT

"Dr. Strangelove," the nuclear tickler, is scarcely off the cutting-room floor, but already its particular ban-the-bomb lesson has been added to the Communist propaganda arsenal. The Communist National Guardian uses the film to bolster its argument in a page-one story Feb. 27 against U.S. anti-Communist fighting in Viet Nam. The paper likens U.S. policy makers to the madman portrayed in the movie by admitted former Communist Sterling Hayden, who in real life is again hobnobbing with Communists (TOCSIN, Feb. 12, 1964).

Communist sympathizers can now buy a compendium of fantasy about the "innocence of Lee Harvey Oswald" on an LP record being distributed nationally by the Communist National Guardian's Buying Service. (In mendacious monaural and ultra-low fidelity.)

The coast-to-coast "Oswald was framed" drive is being run from an office at 164 W. 79th St., New York City.

Identified Communist Party members Frank Wilkinson and John T. McTernan will be speakers at an annual conference of the Communist-run Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, March 21 in that city. The meeting will also hear Rev. Stephen H. Fritchman, pastor of Los Angeles' First Unitarian Church; Delfino Varela, Communist leader of the Mexican American Community; and George Lee, a vice president of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union.

No let-up in Berkeley in the Communist back-to-school drive. Returning to the University of California campus for the spring semester were identified Communists Clinton E. Jencks, 42, of the famous Jencks Supreme Court case, and Alexander P. Saxton, 43, a former teacher at the Communist California Labor School. Jencks (B.A., 1939; M.A., 1963), and Saxton (B.A., 1940; M.A.; 1963) are now graduate students in economics and history, respectively.

KPFA commentator Sidney Roger, identified as a Communist in a California un-American activities report, is also enrolled — as a grad student in dramatic arts. He recently appeared in support of actress Jean Arthur, who turned up in Berkeley for readings of a Joan of Arc vehicle.

The Communist-run American Russian Institute of San Francisco now has a youth auxiliary, led by Rick Manderfeld. It recently presented a film made in Russia by Communist Harvey Richards of Atherton (Calif.) and his wife Alice Richards. The film depicts the glories of being a woman in the USSR where anyone, regardless of sex, can grow up to be a hod-carrier.

The McCarran Internal Security Act was first enacted in 1950 to protect America

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PALACE PICKETS

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visit to Cuba last July by 59 Americans.

Three of the sons of avowed Marxist attorney Vincent Hallinan: Matthew, 23, Terence, 27, and Conn. 21. Terence Hallinan is director of the San Francisco School of Social Science, a Marxist training center at 345 Franklin St. Vincent Hallinan arranged bail money for 67 of the arrested demonstrators, including his sons.

ALSO ARRESTED

Other arrested pickets included: Caryl Esteves, 20, and Robert L. Kaffke, 36, who were both visitors to Cuba on the Castro-supported tour.

Karol A. Burkett, 20, secretary of the San Francisco School of Social Science.

Mark Comfort, 30, husband of the former Gloria Black who is the daughter of two identified Oakland Communists, Gladys G. and Robert Ogg Black. In 1952, Comfort, also known as Mark Moody, was the center of an agitation case directed by the East Bay Civil Rights Congress, a cited Communist front.

Allan C. Sheffield, 31, a Communist Party adherent from Detroit who participated in an anti-nuclear-defense demonstration in 1961 staged in Livermore, Calif., and is a former member of the University of California Slate party.

David L. Radcliffe, 29, an Alameda County social worker who has been active in the Communist Party in San Francisco, Radcliffe's address at 635 Redwood St., S.F., is listed in the March 7 issue of the People's World as the scene of an annual celebration of the paper's staff and supporters scheduled for March 13.

OTHERS BOOKED

Irving Fromer, 50, a teacher at the Communist California Labor school, who supported clemency in the Communist-directed campaign to save the lives of atom spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg in 1952.

Thomas Brewer, 38, a San Francisco physician and an admitted reader of the People's World who heads an organization called the Citizens Committee for Nuclear Disarmament.

Richard K. Manderfeld, 19, a DuBois Club adherent and representative of the youth auxiliary of the San Francisco American Russian Institute, a Communist front.

Brian Shannon, 27, former chairman of the University of California Young Socialist Alliance, youth section of the Trotskyite-Communist Socialist Workers Party. Shannon was spokesman in March 1962 for a group called the Ad Hoc Committee for March 23, which picketed during the visit to Berkeley of President Kennedy. The demonstration was staged to protest the Kennedy Administration's record in foreign policy, integration and civil liberties, Shannon said.

On hand to entertain the Sheraton-Palace demonstrators during their long weekend siege outside the hotel was old-time Communist folksinger Malvina Reynolds. She performed her current hit song, "Little Boxes," and other numbers.

Myerson described the Ad Hoc Committee to End Discrimination as composed of representatives from the DuBois Club chapters; Slate, the left-wing UC party; a San Francisco State College student committee; the Citizens Committee for Nuclear Disarmament; and Youth for Jobs.

He did not explain what interest a nuclear-disarmament group had in hotel hiring practices.

Members of the San Francisco United Freedom Movement, including adherents of the NAACP and the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), also demonstrated.

Among the battery of San Francisco attorneys representing the demonstrators were Benjamin Dreyfus, an identified Communist and leader in the Communist-run National Lawyers Guild; Beverly Axelrod, who was formerly active in Communist affairs in New York City and Modesto, Calif.; Francis J. McTernan and Allan Brotsky, all of whom are also members of the National Lawyers Guild.

MALVINA REYNOLDS

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Berkeley-based chain of Consumers Cooperatives, several of whose leaders have been publicly identified as Communists (TOCSIN, Oct. 16, 1963).

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Members of the American Cancer Society's Sonoma County (Calif.) branch put up a loud but evidently unsuccessful protest against the appearance at a society benefit of Communist Malvina Reynolds last November 23.

The uncordial reception accorded the singer was denounced by a group of fellow entertainers called "Us Four." Writing to the Santa Rosa Press Democrat of March 3, the singers held that it is "impossible for us to judge a person's talent on a political basis" and that "we find no apparent grounds for question in the first place." The letter was signed Oliver Wilson, Gary Foster, Fred Hogue and Jack Davis of Sebastopol, Calif.

A TOCSIN reader submitted their letter as evidence that Communists such as Malvina Reynolds find it increasingly easy to remain immune to public censure as long as they possess sufficient talent in some other field.

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against Communist subversion. Ten and a half years later (in mid-1961) the Supreme Court ended debate by upholding its constitutionality. And so it remained only for the Communist press to explain the diabolical meaning of the legislation. "McCarran Act attack called hasty and sneaky," said the People's World of Aug. 9, 1962.

American Communist exile Henry Winston returned to the U.S. Feb. 27 after two and a half years in the Soviet utopia. Greeting him at the airport were a group of fellow true-believers, including his lawyer, John J. Abt. It was Abt whom Lee Harvey Oswald said he wished to contact shortly after the assassination of President Kennedy.

In her March 1 column in the Worker, big-jowled Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, national Communist Party spokesman, takes a poke at fellow "progressives" for retaining vestiges of that old Marxist bugaboo, male chauvinism. Having advanced to her present eminence through a series of affairs on the Communist casting couch, Miss Flynn has not escaped a measure of resentment against the males who put her there.

Hollywood hasn't turned out such Communist-lauded films since the heyday of the Hollywood 10. The Communist press is vehemently urging Americans not to miss "Dr. Strangelove" and "Seven Days in May," the two current variations on a theme by Moscow.

The Communists have stepped up the drive to focus attention on the danger of "Naziism" following a giant New York rally at the Hotel Diplomat Feb. 27 staged by the self-styled New York Committee Against Naziism and Anti-Semitism.

Although the Communist Party has always vehemently fought U.S. laws for deportation of Communists the "anti-Nazi" committee is now pressing a campaign for extradition of alleged Nazis.

Bonosky at 'Church'

The Fellowship of Humanity, an Oakland tax-exempt church at 411 28th St., had as Sunday-morning speaker March 1 a name well-known to readers of the Communist Worker. Philip Bonosky, a teacher in Communist training schools since 1950, spoke on Red China to the Fellowship congregation.

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