Worker's Journal

The Courage of Southern Negroes
By CHARLES DENBY

About a year ago for the first time in American history Negroes in Montgomery, Alabama, began to show the world what America is by their courageous stand in boycotting the bus system in an effort to gain full recognition as any others, by sitting in any seat they please. For years Negroes have felt this way. There was discussion among them, but when the face of a woman appeared among them, they immediately changed the conversation. As the years passed, new and younger Negroes began to replace and fulfill the hopes of the older ones with a new brand of determination with little or no regard for their personal safety.

As one young Negro stated in Montgomery: We have waited for years for some kind of law that would say we are right, it is not a crime or against the law. The Supreme Court said that, and we knew we had to carry the ball, and we are determined to do that.

After the shooting of Mrs. Rosa Jordan in Montgomery during the Christmas holidays, her statement was this: "They had not got me, it would have been some one else.

Radicals, Liberals and Trade Union Leaders

Some years back when all these radical parties were in their highest activities, the line of the "Party" was that this courage and determination could be shown only by Negroes of their parties. It was heroic because it was good propaganda for the Party and it was "leadership for the Negro." Not a single group in the radical movement ever had the revolutionary courage that Southern Negroes today show.

Northern Negroes, especially those who left the South in the 1920s and early 1930s, have made statements and jokes about fear and backwardness of the Southern Negroes in regard to the white man. Today they are all stunned, asking: Who are the Negroes of the South and where did they come from? They never realize that the hardest oppressed peoples of any society are the ones most likely to revolt against it. They do not now see that Negroes in all Southern cities want the boycott.

Few can look out upon a calm sea and tell when a storm will rise and the tides will sweep all filth to the shore. No one can set the time, date or place for the storm that will rise and the tides will sweep all filth to the shore. No one can set the time, date or place for the revolution.

This was also the line of the trade union leader. That is why the Montgomery Negroes have not only stumbled and surprised the Southern reactionaries white, but America as a whole, including the radicals, liberals, Northern Negro leaders, and the trade union leaders.

Why Not Practice Some Democracy At Home?

Today many of those are trying their utmost to get in on the movement, not so much to support it, as in the hope of gaining some basis of leadership in the hope of directing and controlling what these Southern Negroes have so strongly organized themselves to carry on such a tremendous battle for their democratic right in the face of untold odds.

You have to struggle for the minds of the American people, and a whole, these Negro leaders who have been used to go abroad to sell democracy in other countries, to sell themselves as the representatives of the million Negroes, shoot Negroes who have been ashamed at the news that a group of Negroes from Georgia sent the President of the United States a telegram asking him to send Vice-President Nixon to the South to tour there instead of touring Europe and Asia. No reply from the President, and no news from these representatives of the American Negroes.

Appeal for Academic Freedom

(News and Letters has received the following appeal fro...
COAL AND ITS PEOPLE

...LOOK IN YOUR OWN BACK YARD

NORTH & SOUTH:

W. E. B. DU BOIS

THE BOMBINGS DOWN SOUTH ARE STILL HAPPENING.

I just got to Birmingham, with my wife, and our children, and we were there and took his car. The finance coun-

try had bought him a new car. If he had had the car ready for him, he would have been

bought up by the police.

The difference between Pratt City and Birmingham is that in Pratt City colored people live together for years, whereas in Birmingham everything is segregated.

The police got tired of it, I guess, and made them let the colored people buy. Then they came back and bombed the place, a whole block of houses.

In another case, one colored lady had built a real nice house and took a white lady in to show it to her. In a couple of days later, her house was bombed. No body knows why. But the rumor in the black community is that it was because the colored lady had a white man for a husband.

"NICE MANNERS"

In Birmingham I didn't have any trouble, because everybody knew me. I didn't have trouble there.

The woman said, "Your husband has very nice manners." I guess it was her way of saying my wife didn't, because she never did say "Yes, ma'am," or "No, ma'am."

My dad had taken me aside when we first got here, and told me we were just visiting, but he had to live there after we were gone. I knew what he meant, and I wanted to say, "Yes, ma'am," and "No, ma'am." A lot of times I'd forget, though—and he'd kick me—"You're my daughter, and I'm your father." My mother was here when I was a kid, and she used to say, "Don't you ever say 'Yes, ma'am,' or 'No, ma'am.'"

I've been walking around for a whole week. It's like, when you get right down to it. That news reporter from the North, he's got the part of a colored man for 30 days down South. He's a "fact" a few years ago I didn't have to go South. He could have found his own back yard. Why looking just at the South? We've got plenty more care to take of everywhere.

Always Listen to Your Boss

And You May Not Get Home

W. E. B. DU BOIS

Worship at the Church of the Confederate States of America:

SCOTTS RUN, W. Va.—I was snapping on the track section and me and my motorman had just got four empty cars and started to go into the healing where the loading machine operator had left the front of the cars and saw the loading machine operator testing for gas. He got two caps on his safety lamp, and I've read that he's too much gas, the small amount of oxygen and a little bit of time, and when he goes, he's going to get a lot of people.

"I've got a wife and kids!" He saw the coal miner, he said to me, "You know, I'm on the boss on this section, and I'm telling you to get those empties to that loading machine operator—now, right away!"

My motorman told him, "My boss is at the end of these empties up there. I move or don't move, I don't care. I can't keep up, but I can make a few. But don't you do that. He's going to try and keep you from going.

When the loading machine operator saw the cars stop, he got up and talked to him, he asked me what was wrong. I told him that I saw him get a cap on his lamp, and he said, "I don't know where it's going to come from.

"I've got a wife and kids!"

The boss came up to me where I was and said to me, "Jump on me. I'm going to take you to the man and tell him."

WILL YOU COME OUT AS YOU WENT IN?

OSAGE, W. Va.—There are a lot of people around here that are about to get black, and they're going to make a miner doesn't worry about whether he'll come back each morning, and that's the truth. But the miners don't care.

When he goes down in that cage at the beginning of the shift, the thought is, "Do I make enough money to take care of my family?"

So you just wonder until you get to the section. Then, when it runs out of coal, you get your job done, and you take it home to your family.
**Accidents in Steel Mount with Speed-Up Squeeze**

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—The accident rate in the mill has always been high. You never knew when an accident might happen. The company even posted the accidents for the day beside the cashiers' windows to remind you when you come in the mill to "be on the alert.

That's the main purpose of the "Safety" for the company. They want to keep work accidents to a minimum. The company even has a high accident rate. You know it's serious when you see a worker wearing a "fear" on his face. But then they turn around and tell the guys to scare the guys. They want to keep the mills these days—and more bosses than men in the mills these days—and all they care about is keeping you working.

"Safety" for the company amounts to giving you a safety talk every day, plus a memorandum that's passed around letting you know what accidents happen and who had them.

**ONE MORE HEAT**

The last shift I worked, we had an accident. It happens any time. We were working and all at once the roof of the furnace fell in. Steel splattered everywhere, and plenty of guys came close to getting burned bad.

You never know when a roof will fall in. It may be because of dangerous conditions, or by chance. But they tell you it's there—but they don't want to show it, the men can't refuse to work. But as far as a furnace man's job is his work on the furnace, he can't very well refuse.

**NOT MUCH SENSE**

He may know it's thin. But when the company makes money, he's making money—they have the law. They can put the law on anything that he figures if he can hold the heat on for one more heat, he'll do it. The average guy doesn't want to cut his $27 a day, and a first helper makes better than that.

It may not make sense to you, but that's the way it goes, and that's the way the mills are run.

—Steelworker.

**Company Rules**

**Foul Up Production**

Detroit—It seems if you try to make the decisions you are supposed to make, obey him and company rules strictly, things are bound to foul up. We didn't feel like doing very much the other day so we decided to let the foreman confuse things.

Generally the smaller parts to the jobs we build come from the stock room on a skid. If the parts are missing, the man is supposed to hunt them down.

**DON'T EXIST**

The blueprint and order on the job we were to make called for screws with holes drilled in the ends to take cotter pins. These screws don't exist, so we decided to make them. These screws we get some of the present Republican farm program is to "incorporate into it the job" parties of 1906-07. We can get to do a thing like he wants to do. Why should the foreman confuse things?

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**Their Talk Isn't Cheap—It Costs Us Plenty**

Twenty-two years ago the Democrats created a scandal by plowing under wheat already planted while people were hungry. Part of the present Republican farm program is to "incorporate into it the job" parties of 1906-07. We can get to do a thing like he wants to do. Why should the foreman confuse things?

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**CRIY-BABY**

No one objected till this girl started crying about it. She got a new job she can't do. We stopped work since it was impossible to continue without the screws.

**by the Book**

It took the foreman a couple of hours of searching in a few stock rooms before he decided there were no such screws.

Then he said, "Why not get another job that doesn't require any screws?" We told him what a fine idea that was and suggested that he take the foreman to the machine shop. This took another forty-five minutes. By this time she was willing to raise the quota. Which on a job like this is the difference between working at an average pace or like a horse.

**Way of the World**

Law Order For the Lawless White

What do the words, law and order, mean to the white people when they do not take time out to obey the law? They say that they obey the law put out for other people to go by. They do not obey the law themselves. The laws that are the first ones to break the law, whether it is running a red light, driving a car with the headlamps on, bringing foreigners to this country to give them a better job than the Negroes. But they will be sure to ask the Negroes to send in some money to help the refugees.

The whites were the first to say: Thou shalt not kill. But they are the first to kill some young child if he is nothing, just go crazy all at once like Singer. Yes, that is the way white people get by—they pretend that they have lost their mind. But that isn't true, it is just with the white man sees he cannot get to do a thing like he wants to do and fell on his knees to pray his last prayer, it was to let God know that he did not rule down here on this earth.

**SOUTHERN INCIDENT**

The white people of the South and a few North through that they say and do the Ne-

**L A Y-OFF WAR N I N G S I N L . A .**

The workers in the General Motors plant in South Gate, California are already worrying about layoffs even though it is only January and new model production has not been going on very long. The workers are noticing that they are not seeing many new Buicks or Pontiacs and Oldsmobiles on the road. They know that the plant is only working 40 hours per week, which is somewhat unusual at the beginning of model production and indicates that there is no great demand for new cars.

Despite all the talk about layoffs Detroit that this will be a good year for automobile production, the workers in the Rouge are telling the workers not to be concerned. They are asking the workers to be concerned about layoffs. They are not working at all this time. While I was in the South this year, I had to straighten out the law—the sheriff. He cannot do it. He is the law for who where I was, jumped out of the car, and ran into the house, and was not asking him in. He went through every room until he came to my sister's room.

**SEARCH WARRANT**

I asked him what he was looking for. He said, "Do you have a search warrant to go through the house?"

I told him, "No," he said, "I don't need one."

So I said: "But you won't dare go in if it was a white man's home we were running through. When you come to my room you won't dare go in. I do not make whiskey and I know something about law and order there as you can't go into my room unless you show me a search warrant."

I put myself right from another house. He just walked out of the house then.

The Negroes of the South have to learn to straighten out the law and order there as they are doing now by fighting to have some things go their way because the time has come for them to do something for themselves.
NEGRE STRUGGLE

We went to church Sunday to hear the sermons about the Negroes. The preacher really laid it on the line.

He said that too many of our people were satisfied here in Pittsburgh, and thought they were living in Heaven, when Hell was right here. He said there's a lot we could be doing right here, if we weren't satisfied with what we've got.

There's plenty we've got to fix up right here, all right. The preacher went on.

Steelworker's Wife
Pittsburgh, Pa.

It's really something when the President can send Nixon all the way to Hungary to check on what's happening there, but can't manage to send anyone just a few hundred miles South in his own country to check on what's going on in Alabama!

He had special envoy to meet Nehru, all the way from India, but wouldn't send a soul to meet the representatives of the Boycotters from the South.

They're really knocking on his own back door right now. The boycotters are in Atlanta now —and that's right near Ike's second home in Georgia, where he goes to play golf. I figure he probably won't be playing golf down there for a while.

—Steelworker
Pittsburgh, Pa.

I went to the AAA to have my route mapped before I went South a few years ago. The man talked me into joining and said I didn't have to do anything about it. He said it was a good idea. I looked everything over before I left and everything looked real good —before we started off.

But once we got going and started thinking of a union, it suddenly hit me like a thunderbolt. "If you stop there, make sure you don't burn that shanty down."

The man said they have to give you some thing at an AAA shop, if you stop. But it turns out that you have to have proper arrangements. Only then can they provide for you at some color ed hotel or something. But nothing doing with just ANY AAA place. The only part of the AAA that's any good for a colored person is up North. Otherwise you're just wasting your money.

—Steelworker
Pittsburgh, Pa.

More is happening in the mill concerning up-trading to the Union even into the "Pittsburgh Courier" this time.

It started when one of the grievers in zone 5 kept trying to get his men placed on the jobs that were posted and that they were eligible for.

He'd have the guys sign up for the jobs, and make the Union go through all the procedure, even though nothing would come of it. The job would be filled and nothing more would be done.

This guy finally got on to the head grievor about it, and the head grievor told him he was going to relieve him of his duties at the first of the year.

He got good and mad and went to the "Courier" and had them investigate the matter.

One of the head men in our District is a colored fellow—and he was supposed to represent him of the first-year. He did, but all he had to say was that the Union had nothing to do with it. The AAA says they can't up-rate anybody if the company won't allow it. It makes the Union a laugh.

It's the same thing they always tell you: they can't do anything about it. I don't know what will come of this latest business, but I'll let you know how it develops.

—Steelworker
Pittsburgh, Pa.

When Ike says he can't manage to send anybody down South to see what's going on in his own country, he reminds me of our president, John L. who can't ever seem to manage to send any of them down from Washington to see what's going on in the mines, either.

Miner
West Virginia

Eisenhower's Civil Rights program is now in full gear in Washington and the Senate. It is about time that our little playboy politicians quit their acts of bamboozling the American people, Eisenhower, in his campaign, pledged, he got down to brass tactics "to speak" on this integration issue. Now he's full well the various men who will try, and probably succeed, in blocking his program in this Senate. By not doing this he showed very clearly that all he was trying for was a new^ term —let the Negroes keep on wanting their civil rights in this first-class citizenship.

He could have acquiesced the people with the fact that there is no place and to indicate in their state elections that he is not able or willing to get his plans through. He could have told the people that if their Senators and Representatives did not vote the way they wanted them to, to use petitions and demonstrations give them the real facts that they really wanted them to vote.

I don't know how this would work out politically, but it seems to me that if a country is really democratic, it could be shown that the majority of the people did not want segregation, it would be done away with.

—L.G.
West Virginia

Do you know that Elder Lee Edwards, the Grand Dragon of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Pittsburgh, is a General Motors worker in Atlanta and a paid up member in good standing in the UAW? Journalist
New York City

LEADERS & RANKS

A woman worker was telling how she got around paying many women in her plant vacation pay by asking what women they wanted for Christmas gifts. She planned for their vacation in April instead of later in the summer months. The orders were laid off for several weeks and not rehired until after the first of September. The union contract stated
that a worker must be on the picket line the first of June to collect vaca-
tion pay. The union said that there was nothing they could do, they were just out of luck. 

Union Man

Detroit

MD's last column (Jan. 29) quoted Dr. William Gomberg, of the ILGU, hailing piece-
work as a solution both for management and labor.

Not so long ago Gomberg left the labor movement. It was teaching, in the engineering de-
partment of a university. The bitter joke, however, is this:

When Gomberg was with the ILGU, he had the reputation of being a liberal, a trade unionist who fought against Communist in-
fluence in the Unions. Yet when he went into the academic world, he found piece-work in prac-
tically the same words which Stalil hailed it in 1935 as a "gift from heaven" for the Russian work-
ners.

Regardless what poli-
tical name they give themselves, these ad-
ministrators reach the same ruthless conclu-
sions when it comes to squee-
ging the last ounce of exploi-
tation from the workers.

Writer

New York City

WAR & PEACE

It's coming out how the Red Cross, making their usual distinctions about who gets help in
Hungary, too. One report said that they were re-
fusing aid to anyone who was participating in the strikes.

They did the same thing during the min-
ers' strikes around here. They'd tell the strik-
ers-"You have a job, all you have to do is go back to it, if you need money for the next payday. They were real strike-breakers, or trying to be.

In Hungary, the reports said that they weren't helping anyone who was participating in a
any demonstrations. The way it sounds, the only ones left the Red Cross is willing to help are the
"commissars!"

-Reader

West Virginia

Most of the people around here are pretty suspicious not only of the Hun-
garian "refu-
gees" coming into the country, but of the big "show" of aid to the Hun-
gurians from the government, too.

One miner's wife sum-
med it up this way: "If they wanted to be so gen-
erous, there are plenty of people right here who need their help. They can start sending some of their "Care" packages right to W. Va. But they just want to make a big 'show' to the rest of the world, and to heck with what's going on in their own country."

-Miner

Casville, W. Va.

I passed a Civil Serv-
ice test for clerk-tyiptist. But when they showed me the job, I wouldn't take it. There are all kinds of work from fac-
tory to housework to salesmanship, but that job I wouldn't touch! The typists were all in one little office room. They all had electric typewriters and the noise was deafening. The typists didn't have lunch, and the rest of the day they just typed their way through. I decided just I could not take it! If you weren't crazy to take the job, you'd be driven crazy soon enough.

-Working Woman

West Virginia

That picture in "Life" on "The American Women" of the roomful of
 typists lined up one be-
 hind the other gave me the shudders. The line of women working side by side at a canning factory just below it sure looked preferable to me! It reminded me of how fast "office-workers" are be-
coming a big assembly-
line themselves. Only they don't talk to each other. They have to just type. At least on a factory assembly-line you can talk to each other. It sure seems an awful price to pay to stay "white collar" with the American women.

-Factory Girl

West Virginia

The Life article on
women was written by a psychiatrist who, ap-
parently, thinks that what men need to exist as human beings is to have women to love and admire them. I think this is an insult to men.

-Housewife

Los Angeles

STRUGGLE FOR TRUTH

In regard to a recent poll conducted through-
out the country by two analysts to find out peo-
ple's political pluses, noteworthy that people refer-
ted to themselves as the "real men" even though they might own several material con-
formities. It is especially noteworthy since there is a constant attempt to main-
tain that there is no such thing as the "common man," or the "little man."

You see the differences between classes concreta-
ely in state run institu-
tions like mental hos-
pitals where thousands of people are herded to-
gether. This is where the concept of big and little is obvious, because if you're little you get treated like cattle. If you have money, it's very different.

—Subscriber

Los Angeles

I was selling News &
Letters at a plant gate the other day when a young guard came up to me and said what I have there.

I thought at first it was going to be the usual routine of asking for about 10 papers to hand out to the officials of the c o n c e r n I was selling. But when I told him it wasn't a com-


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I have must leamed about some of the modern problems in plant protection isn't what it used to be in the old days of Ford. 
I think the "Two Worlds" column demonstrates that dealt with the spontaneous character of workers and youth revolt here and there, probably just as deeply when it pointed to 1950 as being "the first sharing of the youth of this generation and the so-called 'lost generation.'"

**STRIKE AGAINST JIM CROW AND ANTI-SEMITISM**

It stirred memories of two New York student demonstrations that I witnessed in 1950. The first, and least remembered was the strike of City College students against the Jim Crow and anti-Semitic policies of a couple of professors. There was a fair amount of enthusiasm that attended it, but it was organized to death. The "Young Progressives" seemed to pull most of the punches. The other was a picket, captained, placards of professional quality, mock funeral marches, people burned in effigy, leaflets showered all over the place. Some self-styled "Marxists" felt that a student struggle should be linked with the working class. They worked it out by having the Socialist labor bureaucrats to harangue the milling throng. This stifled spontaneous expressions more effectively than any police force could begin to do.

The Two Worlds column somewhat anticipated the High School strike as taking a working class form. Mass action.

Some radicals know this only by the sound of their own ideas. I had to chuckle at

**Youth Don't Want To Be Scientists**

LOS ANGELES — Not too long ago I read an article in the daily press which stated that today's youth are not interested in becoming scientists, especially atomic scientists.

The article said that today's youth "would rather be storekeepers, a la Einstein, or automobile pioneers in the unknown atomic field."

Here are some of the reasons the students gave for not wanting to become scientists:

1. "You can't raise a normal family and be a scientist at the same time." I'm sure not happy about that.
2. "I don't have time to enjoy life."
3. Scientists are willing to sacrifice the welfare of others to further their own interests.

4. "You can't be a scientist and be honest."

The article went on to say how misinformed these youth are and at the very end it said that maybe some of the cause of this mis-information "may stem from the part which science has been required to play in the development of weapons."

Even Einstein said that the regimentation and lack of freedom as an atomic scientist was so great that he would rather have been a plumber.

It seems to me that the things the youth feel about atomic scientists are true. And they're true because of the part they have forced to play in the development of weapons.

**YOUTH & CHURCH**

There is a T.V. program in Detroit on Juvenile Delinquency. The producers take enactments of cases brought before the juvenile court of the police department.

The police officers who question the youth remain in complete bewilderment. Particularly confused is the youth because the police know little about school and church regularity.

R.E. Detroit
For years the Negro people of Detroit have experienced police brutality. It was not the knock on the door, it was the beating they feared. They feared being anywhere where they wanted to out in the open. They would strike them even on their own front porch if they so pleased some sadist on the police force. The cases remained "unresolved" not because the Negro people did not report them to the proper authorities, but because the higher authorities took no action.

OUT IN THE OPEN

Now one case is out in the open and the Police Commission admits that he has received over 25 other signed complaints of police brutality. Here is the incident that is bringing some of the things out into the open:

A meeting of local Negroes gave the press the case, 100 attended the first meeting. It is the case from which the admission from the commissioner of police that he had other signed complaints of police brutality on file. Previous complaints to him, both by individuals and by the local officers of the NAACP, have not resulted in any actions on his part. Indeed this attitude has astounded many Negroes who are the whole hearted treatment of the citizens combination between the mental and physical aspects of men as well as the realities of the link between the present and the past experiences.

The student, however, was more concerned with escaping from "instinctually predictable" patterns and preferred to stay in his vocational cell. This at a time when not only the increasing complexity, but the openness of the world is confronting us.

We have long known of. and accepted, the passage of life into death. The problem arises here when turning "dead" matter into living tissue. This achievement will not remove the mystery of life. It will emphasize the need to break old concepts and to show the essential unity of life and death, which are both as separate and as united as pain and pleasure, as growth and destruction.

LIFE & DEATH

In "Eros and Civilization," Herbert Marcuse, basing himself on the studies of Sigmund Freud, points forward the element of time, and merges the past with the present. He shows that their relationship is of the same order and quality as life and death.

Freud had the genius to understand that in the total life of the individual—life as the whole, including the conscious activity, and in the world between these two—in imagination and fantasy—can be read the pre-history of Sigmund Freud as the realm of Embryology—a study of the individual developing in the womb—reveals the evolutionary changes from the single cell form of life to the complex animal, so does Freud, the pioneer, through the study of the mind and the images brought from the sub-conscious, chart the development of the human race from its earliest association in the womb through the ages of feeling and doing, to modern man, whose thinking and acting have become divided and opposed.

"Eros and Civilization" is concerned with men in modern industrial society, and the way the human being to maintain his instincts for life in present day civilization. It is a study of how the human race, through increasing repression and domination, has arrived on the brink of the total repression and destruction of nuclear war.

The "performance principle" has become the accepted way of life. We are living in the future of the NAACP to aid their annual membership drive. An apology for being 40 minutes late, but explained that the UAW officials had delayed him to make a tape recording. The audience of about 1000 people kept busy by reading News Letters, and it was dark, making it difficult before the meeting. Many requested extra copies for their friends.

Robinson explained his position on his resignation from baseball and gave reasons for resigning the year for NAACP. He stated that without the fight of the NAACP, people like him would have been driven in the positions of prominence that they are.

Robinson told of an incident on his recent trip to Japan. During a ball game there, an American umpire tried to control the game by throwing the ninth inning due to rain. The 40,000 fans just sat there in amazement and the officials were forced to continue the game.

Robinson said that if the American Negroes acted the same way, they could get their first class citizenship within a year or two at the most

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WOMAN'S VIEWPOINT

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of men is this: Woman's place is in the home, to be there at all times, and his place is to be there when he feels like it.

The problems of a woman whose husband makes $5,000 a year, and a miner's wife whose hus­ band is considered one of the best-paid workers because he makes $5,000 to $7,000 a year aren't the same. And they're not so simple either.

DEBUT JERKY FOR BOTH

My best friend and I have talked about it a lot—the problem of being stack in the same by a long shot! And they're not so simple either.

New Year's Eve parties had been held by the local political committees through­ out the country to help maintain the paper. The let­ ters that went with the paper described the results of the celebrations. "The New Year in Detroit began on the wrong foot. It started with the paper, and every­ body is in."

But, she's said lots of times when we're talking about it. She can't really blame them. Our husbands also have to get up and get to work every morning, whether they want to or not. I'm sure their work seems like drudgery if a man took some of the responsibility that he got out. House­ work wouldn't be such drudgery if a man took some of the responsibility when he got home, and let his wife get out once in a while too.

No, our problems aren't so simple. But one thing's sure—they solve our own problems. Nobody I know goes running off to a psychi­ atrist to solve them for her.

It doesn't always work too smoothly, but by now I know pretty well how to handle my husband, and my problems, when they can be handled at all. And I have a feeling that most of the average women feel the same.

Miner's Wife

NEWS & LETTERS COMMITTEES

(In this column we report on the experiences of NEWS & LETTERS COMMITTEES in different parts of the country. Below is the latest report from a committee which voted to make itself responsible for $20. Also a $10 contribu­ tion was made to the paper. We would like to have more reports of the results. The New Year in Detroit began on the wrong foot. It started with the paper, and every­ body is in."

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South Africa

There is news from the class war prisoners held by the South African branch of the Union of South Af­ rica. In their cells the prisoners have established a solidarity between them­ selves and the entire prison population that bears com­ parison with the working class and the best traditions of revolutionaries who have fought their oppressors in this country.

The women prisoners, African, Indian and Euro­ pean, have volunteered in a group to do the laundry for all the prisoners.

They have established contact through the sing­ ing of African Freedom songs. The entire prison sang "Happy Birthday" for Sonia Bunting, the wife of a member of Parlia­ ment, prisoner in the jail.

All are held for opposing the segregationist laws of South Africa.

Saudi-Arabia

King Saud, of Saudi­ Arabia has just promised to give Jordan $265. King Saud senior, whose husband makes $5,000 a year, consider­ ed one of the best-paid workers. Of course, these men are considered millionaires, but the best news of all to us working women is that the king has promised to give Jordan $265. That makes them what they are doing.

The unity of Ireland will be there when we're not around any more. It's all up to us.

Togoland

Togoland was set. Some of the fami­ lies living in British Togoland have been rounded with barbed wire and armed guards. It is the hope to have these camps only in the case of an armed guard. Yet the United Nations does nothing for the Togolanders. The Irish Nationalists claim they will do better in their area than most of the women I know.

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