Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

Thank you for your letter of February 25th. I look forward to seeing you on your return, and await a note from you setting down place.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
Hyde Park, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

Although we have never met, I am taking the liberty of writing to you as I feel I have knowledge of certain things that would be of deep interest to you.

During the war I worked for the government doing strategic and in many ways secret work. In the course of this work, and just following our beloved President's death, I came across certain things that could only be known to me and at their point of origin. As this information grew in scope, I naturally reported it to my supervisor. I felt that a record for all time should be made of it, but as it was purely personal to Mr. Roosevelt, the department for which I worked decided against it. Of course, at that time my lips were sealed, and it never went any farther.

However, as part of the record, and for the benefit of any future biographers or merely for your own personal satisfaction, I feel that you would be glad to know. It has nothing to do with military strategy and could not conceivably hurt anyone were it published, but it was a source of great joy to me to know and I am sure you, as the widow of one of our greatest Presidents, and surely one of the great men of all time, are entitled to share this knowledge.

It must be obvious to you why I do not write it, but I would deeply appreciate the opportunity of telling you and you could use it as you see fit or just keep it in your heart as I have.

I would be glad to give you character references if you wish. I am now working at the Traphagen School of Costume Design where I have been since the war ended. The school is at 1680 Broadway, and although Miss Ethel Traphagen is unaware of this letter, I am sure she would be happy to certify as to my character.

Hoping to have the honor of a short personal talk with you, I am, dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

Sincerely yours,

Ruth B. Coulier
(Mrs.) Ruth Peirce Coulier

February 21, 1947.
Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
29 Washington Square West
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

By way of introduction, I would like to advise that our organization is engaged in publishing COUNTERATTACK, a newsletter of facts to combat Communism. Enclosed is the reprint of an article by Mr. Frederick Woltman which tells better than we can the story of our organization.

I have read with a great deal of interest your column in the World Telegram of November 6th, in which you have a great deal to say regarding the report of the seven clergymen who recently visited Yugoslavia. Do you really think that this group of clergymen could possibly issue a "Fair Report" in view of the following facts?

1. Claude Williams, one of the seven clergymen, has been identified as a secret member of the Communist Party.

2. William Howard Welish, another of the seven clergymen, is not only a member of the Communist Party, but also writes for the Daily Worker and is a trustee of the Jefferson School of Social Science, the top Communist educational institute in the U.S.

3. Guy Emery Shipler is, at the very least, a constant fellow-traveler of the Communist Party, inasmuch as he has a record of affiliation with at least twenty-four Communist front organizations.

Enclosed are copies of our August 1st, August 29th and November 14th issues of COUNTERATTACK which furnish additional information regarding the seven clergymen.

In view of the above, we shall appreciate very much knowing whether you still hold the same opinions regarding the report on Yugoslavia as expressed in your column of November 6th.

Thank you very much.

Faithfully yours,

T. C. KIRKPATRICK
Ex-FBI Agents Expose Commies

By FREDERICK WOLTMAN, World-Telegram Staff Writer.

If you’re an harassed business
man who wants to be heip to some
new Communist front for business
or the latest trends in the Red
movement generally, there’s now a
service available that will keep
you up to date.

It was organized recently by a
group of former FBI agents who
acquired the know-how investigat-
ing Communist, Bund, Fascist and
other subversive groups for Uncle
Sam.

Organized as American Business
Consultants, Inc., 55 W. 42nd St.,
the ex-FBI agents weekly get out
a terse and authoritative, four-
page mimeographed “Newsletter of
Facts on Communism,” called
Counterattack.

Red Maneuvers Spotlighted.

Aimed at throwing the spot-
light on Communist maneuvers on
all sides, capital as well as labor,
Counterattack, in its first three
issues, elaborated on such provoca-
tive headlines as:

“New Council of American Busi-
ness Is a Communist Front.

“Another Communist Front
Endorsed by William Green.”

“Rich Communists and Fellow-
Travelers Credited Generously
to a Communist Front, the Ameri-
can Russian Institute,” and

“New CIA Telephone Union Will
Increase Anti-Communist Strength
in CIA.”

Two of the ex-FBI men whose
identities can be disclosed at pre-

tent are T. C. Kirkpatrick, manag-
ing editor of Counterattack, and
John G. Keenan, its attorney and
a former FBI supervisor in Wash-
ington.

“Jail’s No. 1 Problem.”

“While in the Bureau,” Mr. Kirk-
patrick said today, “we came to
feel that the menace of Commu-
nism is the nation’s No. 1 security
problem and that we’d like to try
to do something about it.”

“While J. Edgar Hoover is un-
quuestionably the leading govern-
ment authority on Communists,
the Department of Justice is hand-
ling the case in a sense. Its job is to
prosecute. And the FBI is forbid-
den by law to make its data pub-
lic.

“We’ve worked up our own
sources of information since na-
rally, we have no access to any
data developed by the FBI.

Eventually, he said, its backers
hope Counterattack will reach
unions, teachers and other profes-
sional groups. For labor research
director, they brought a former
vice president of the CIA Ameri-
can Communications Assn., Harry
Morgan, who headed the union’s
marine radio division.

Labor Groups Scared.

Labor groups scattered through-
out the country have written in
for Counterattack, according to
Mr. Kirkpatrick.

Unions are just as hard up for
facts about the Communists as
businessmen,” he added. “We
whole-heartedly believe in demo-
cratic trade unionism, which is
what the Communists are trying
to destroy.”

On the theory that Communist
union officials can be beaten only
by union members themselves,
Counterattack carefully watches
anti-Red revolts in the AFL and
CIO.

Attitude of Robeson.

As an example of its realistic
advice to subscribers, the latter
Counterattack’s treatment (May 13) of
Paul Robeson, noted Negro singer:

“Paul Robeson, Communist party
member, has world importance as
a symbol of the talented Negro in
predominantly white U.S. Most
of the world is white. Communist
party has organized Council on
African Affairs and made Robeson
its chairman... The Council
stimulates anti-British, anti-
American and pro-Moscow feeling
in Africa, Asia and elsewhere, in-
cluding U.S. Not only most Negroes
but many whites in this country
regard Robeson as a persecuted
liberal.

What shall we do about Robes-
son? Treat him justly. Emphasize
the fact that he is a Communist
party member... not a liberal.

Wherever use of a public building
is denied to him, it should also be
denied to white Communists, and
to the Ku Klux Klan, etc., and
Fascist agitators, like Gerald L. K.
Smith...
Dear Subscriber:

COMMUNIST UNION PRESIDENT BECOMES HEAD OF THIRD PARTY. Associated Press, United Press, and other wire services have informed the country of the organization of Independent Progressive Party of Calif, whose temporary chairman is Hugh Bryson, president of CIO Marine Cooks & Stewards. The party will back Henry Wallace for President. To get on the ballot, it must collect 275,970 signatures of registered voters by Feb 26.

What the newspaper wire services didn't say is that Bryson is a Communist...a young protege of Harry Bridges, Communist head of West Coast longshoremen. Counterattack is able to prove that Bryson is a member of the Communist Party and that meetings of the top fraction (the leading group) of Communists in Marine Cooks & Stewards union are often held in his home.

PHILIP MURRAY IS CRUSHING the Communists' hopes for a third party. He has committed the CIO to Truman in '48. And his policy is fully supported by the leaders of the CIO men's clothing union...the late Sidney Hillman's Amalgamated Clothing Workers.

This is especially important, because the Amalgamated and the Communists jointly control American Labor Party in NYSate, which may hold the balance of power in next year's state election...and thus perhaps in national election too. The Communists control this party in NYCity...the Amalgamated controls it upstate. Fact is the Communists can take the whole party away from Amalgamated whenever they like. But they vitally need the Amalgamated. They must have the Amalgamated to camouflage themselves. Without the Amalgamated, the American Labor Party would be nakedly Communist.

Now the Amalgamated says "No" to Wallace. "Yes" to Truman. And the Communists have reluctantly decided to go along. They have told the Amalgamated they'll consent to endorsement of Truman by American Labor Party...even though they are clamoring for a third party in Calif and elsewhere.

Wallace won't run without American Labor Party support in NYSate. Communist leaders know this. So all they hope for now is a third party next year in some states, with nominees for Congress and some other offices. But they're also organizing secretly to capture Democratic machines from below.

COMMUNISTS SUFFER SMASHING DEFEATS IN STATE CIO COUNCILS. These organizations are valuable as propaganda organs and pressure groups. The Communists used to control most of them. But lately there's been a change.

Anti-Communists wiped up the floor with the Fifth Columnists in the Illinois convention this week. The leader in this clean-up was Michael Mann, a fighter who comes from the anti-Communist Retail, Wholesale & Dept Store Union. He battled the Communists for years in a furious struggle in Chicago CIO Council, which was nearly torn apart in 1945 when the Communist-
controlled unions succeeded after Mann was reelected executive secretary. Now Mann has gone on to a beautiful victory in the Illinois council.

Joseph Germano, anti-Communist leader of the Steelworkers in big Chicago-Gary district, was elected president of state council. New anti-Communist administration succeeds one that was a compromise. The Communists formerly were strong enough to control the council, but Philip Murray fixed up a truce. So both sides were represented in the administration...and both sides merely did routine work and watched each other...and waited.

The anti-Communists not only won this week...but they also nailed down their victory. Formerly the executive board had 30 members, with the various unions electing their own representatives. But a committee headed by Mike Mann brought in a constitutional amendment to reduce the board to nine members...all elected by the whole convention. The anti-Communists put the amendment over by a vote of about 5 to 2.

And here is what they did then. They shut out the huge, Communist-controlled United Electrical union from any place on the board. They chose anti-Communists from such unions as Auto and Packinghouse, which in Illinois are controlled by the Communists. Every one of the nine members of the board, headed by Joe Germano as president, is an anti-Communist.

And this is only the beginning. For Germano at once made it plain in a speech that the new administration will support anti-Communists in all the unions, until the CIO in Illinois is entirely cleaned up.

Communists and Fascists are barred from office in the Pennsylvania CIO Council, under a resolution adopted at recent convention. Chief opponent of this was Thos J Fitzpatrick, president of District 6, United Electrical union. Fitzpatrick is a secret member of Communist Party.

Anti-Communists in NYState CIO will take the offensive in CIO convention at Saratoga Springs Sept 4-6. There will be a mass caucus of all anti-Communist delegates, including the big Amalgamated Clothing Workers.

Decisions will be binding on all participants...except on question of American Labor Party, which is endorsed by CIO. All the unions in the caucus, except the Amalgamated, oppose renewal of this endorsement. The Amalgamated will join with the Communists in demanding renewal...and will probably win, because the Amalgamated holds balance of power in state CIO.

Anti-Communist resolutions on three other topics have been drafted for adoption by the caucus. And with Amalgamated support, they should win in the convention. The resolutions are on these subjects:

Totalitarianism...Thumbs down on it, whether Fascist or Communist.
Foreign policy...For the Marshall Plan of European recovery.
CIO & AFL...Urging a full merger. Communists aren't for this now, although they conceal their policy in a fog of words. What they favor is joint action by all unions in economic and political struggles. Though they don't say so, they want this INSTEAD of organic unity of AFL & CIO. The anti-Communists' resolution will urge organic unity without delay.

HOW STALIN WILL STOP U S SHIPS FOR GREECE and some other countries: Last week Counterattack reported decision of Communist-controlled CIO Natl Maritime Union to embargo shipments of wide variety of items to Britain and Holland, on excuse that they MAY be usable by troops and that MAYBE the Bri-
lish or the Dutch will send such shipments to Palestine or Indonesia. The national office of the union recommended these embargoes and began a referendum on the question among members in all ports. Final returns should be in soon. There's no doubt the embargoes will be approved, because the national office has propagandized the members.

Then the union will crack down on specific cargoes, specific ships.

U S ships for Greece will be next victims. Union national office this week asked for a ruling on whether to begin an embargo...and so on what kinds of sailings. Whom did it ask? The World Federation of Trade Unions. In other words, Joseph Stalin.

Half of the 66,000,000 members of the WFTU are members of the Russian slave unions...and 5,000,000 more belong to unions in Moscow's satellite countries of eastern Europe. And many other millions are in the French and Italian federations, which are controlled by the Communists, and in Stalin's unions elsewhere. So the WFTU belongs to Stalin.

Thus Stalin will decide which U S ships, if any, shall be allowed to sail to Greece. Stalin's seamen's union here has asked for his decision.

But American public opinion can crack down now on this Fifth Column scheme. The Communist-controlled seamen's union won't dare go through with it if the public wakes up in time. Pres Philip Murray of the CIO will take a hand if there's a big enough outcry. Pres Jos Curran of the union has turned anti-Communist, but he and his group are in a minority on the Natl. Council of the union...and they hesitate to oppose the Communists on the embargo issue. But Murray can talk turkey to Curran and others, even the Communist leaders. He can kill the embargo if he tries. And he'll certainly try, in the long run, if the Communists carry out their threats.

But why wait? Why give them time to see how far they can safely go? The public should be told about this now. Murray should act now, instead of waiting till the seamen's union gets the CIO into more trouble.

COMMUNIST MAGAZINE "AMERASIA" HAS SUSPENDED PUBLICATION. Although its circulation was small, it had important influence in State Dept and in universities and among writers, radio commentators, etc. Many of its readers didn't know they were reading the Communist line on what U S policy in Asia should be. Some of these readers woke up when publisher of the magazine, Philip J. Jaffe, was indicted in State Dept espionage case in 1945. He got off with a $2,500 fine when the scandal was largely hushed up.

Communist front, the Institute of Pacific Relations, becomes the heir of "Amerasia." The magazine has turned over its subscriptions to...
the Far Eastern Survey, a fortnightly published by the institute. The Far
Eastern Survey peddles the Stalin line.

COMMUNIST PARTY PLANS TO RECRUIT 5,000 MEMBERS IN SEPTEMBER. From
Sept 1 to 11, party members will visit their neighbors, co-workers, and
fellow members of their unions and invite them to join. In the next three
days, the week-end of Sept 12 to 14, there are to be 1,000 meetings in homes
of members throughout the U S. Prospective members will be invited and
party leaders will make speeches urging them to join the party.

WHAT IS THE COMMUNIST PRESS SAYING? It predicts a worse economic
crisis in U S than the one in Britain....Also it resents the dropping of
War Dept’s plan to produce Communist Arthur Miller’s play, “All My Sons,” in
occupied countries. Counterattack’s report on this project was followed by
effective protest to War Dept. Communist press denounces all such protests.

A COMMUNIST CLERGYMAN NAMED GUY EMMERY SHIPLER has returned from Yu-
goslavia, along with several other clergy, to report that the Communist Govt
there is wonderful and that Archbishop Stepinac got a fair trial last year... 
despite what the U S newspaper correspondents on the spot reported at the
time, in their very moderate, objective dispatches from the courtroom.

Communist Shipler denies he has supported Communist fronts. Here
are a FEW of the many fronts of which he has been a sponsor, official, etc:

American League for Peace & Democracy (Stalin’s big pro-war front,
against Hitler. Dissolved after Stalin & Hitler signed pact in 1939).

Natl Emergency Conference for Democratic Rights (formed during
Stalin-Hitler Pact to protect Communist saboteurs in defense plants).

Natl Committee to Win the Peace (for Stalin, by softening up U S.
Organized April 1946, as successor to earlier peace-and-war fronts. It dis-
banded lately, urging its members to join Progressive Citizens of America).

Progressive Citizens of America (biggest general Communist front.
Pursues pro-war policy, by weakening U S so that Stalin can make war).

Young Communist League (alias American Youth for Democracy).

In Fact, Communist newsletter and smear-sheet, edited by Geo Sel-
des, who was offered editorship of Daily Worker by Earl Browder but de-
clined, saying he had better work in disguise as a pretended non-Communist.

The Protestant, a Communist magazine, edited by a layman, Kenneth
Leslie, who predicts Russo-US war and says he’ll support Stalin Russia.

Natl Council of American-Soviet Friendship (big front that special-
izes in converting clergymen to Communism).

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO BEAT THE COMMUNISTS? Communist Shipler conducts
his Communist propaganda mainly through his magazine, The Churchman. He
wins publicity, readers, and money for this magazine by getting free time
every Sunday for his program, “The Sermon of the Week,” on Station WOR, big
NYCity outlet of Mutual network. If you think he shouldn’t enjoy this prop-
aganda privilege, you can say so to the station and the radio industry.

Yours faithfully,

August 29, 1947

COUNTERATTACK

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Dear Subscriber:

STALIN’S ORGANIZATION OF FIFTH-COLUMN LAWYERS IN THE U.S. has now gone to the United Nations with an accusation against the U.S. Govt. This amazing piece of impudence is but the latest in a long list of brazen, hypocritical, treasonable actions by the Fifth-Column lawyers.

Who are these Fifth-Column lawyers? You will find them on the legal staff of every Communist-controlled union, without exception. You will find them as lawyers for all the Communist fronts. Many of them are quoted respectfully in the newspapers and sometimes can be heard on the radio.

The name of their organization is the Natl Lawyers Guild. It has members in both houses of Congress and on the bench. By sheer impudence, by unashamed lying, it has won general acceptance as an organization of American liberal lawyers, who want to improve American democracy. Instead it is devoted to the destruction of the U.S. Govt and of all democracy everywhere.

Proof of the Fifth-Column character of Natl Lawyers Guild:

It was organized a decade ago by leaders in U.S. section of an international front of Communist lawyers, the International Juridical Assn. This front had been almost openly Communist....it drafted legislative bills which the Communist Party submitted to Congress. But at the meeting of the Communist International in Moscow in 1935, the new policy of the People's Front, of the Trojan Horse, had been adopted. Communists throughout the world were ordered to put on a mask of democracy. Old fronts had to be reorganized and renamed. Hence the Natl Lawyers Guild was born.

Chas Recht, lawyer for the Soviet Embassy, wrote in the Communist official weekly, the New Masses, on "The Need for the Natl Lawyers Guild." 

Wm Z Foster, Communist Party chairman, wrote in a party magazine, The Communist: "Our lawyers must challenge prevalent capitalist legal conceptions and rewrite our legal history....Special organizational forces must be developed for this work." Namely, forces such as the Natl Lawyers Guild.

The International Labor Defense, a front that had begun life openly as the U.S. section of Moscow's International Red Aid, applauded the creation of the Guild. (Later, during the war, Atty Gen Biddle officially defined the Int'l Labor Defense as "the legal arm of the Communist Party." It has now been succeeded by the Civil Rights Congress.)

The Natl Lawyers Guild has obeyed every order from Moscow. It favored "collective security" against fascism, until Stalin signed his pact with Hitler. Then the Guild switched, losing its taste for an anti-fascist war. The genuine New Dealers in the Guild, such as Atty Gen Robt H. Jackson (now Supreme Court justice) and Morris L. Ernst, resigned their memberships. The Guild assisted Communist strikes in defense plants. But as
soon as Hitler invaded Russia, on June 22, 1941, the Guild switched again, urging "all-out" aid and implying that the U.S. should get into the war.

The president of this front is Robt W. Kenny, former attorney general of Calif., who is also national co-chairman of the biggest general Communist front, Progressive Citizens of America. Kenny isn't a Communist himself...he's an ambitious and unscrupulous politician, a willing accomplice of the Communists. You can find his type in Europe, especially in the Balkans. Example: Premier Groza of Romania, a Balkan version of Robt W. Kenny.

The real head of the lawyers' front is its secretary, Martin Popper. Last October, in a meeting in Paris, the Communist International revived its old International Juridical Assn under a new name, International Assn of Democratic Lawyers. The Guild is affiliated with this, and Popper is Western Hemisphere secretary of the new international front.

Lee Pressman, Communist general counsel of the CIO, is one of the leaders of the Guild. Another is Congressman Vito Marcantonio. Sen. Claude Pepper of Florida received the Guild's annual award last year.

Now this Fifth-Column front has the nerve to come before the United Nations Security Council with a complaint against the U.S. The Fifth Column lawyers assert that U.S. military aid to Greece against the Communist insurrection is a violation of the U.N. charter. They know this is false, as anyone can easily learn by reading the charter. Martin Popper and his associated Fifth Columnists are simply acting as gunbearers to Gromyko in his fight for the Communist conquest of Greece.

How much longer will the U.S. Govt tolerate these quislings? How long before Atty Gen Tom Clark tells Congress and the people plainly that the Natl Lawyers Guild is a vital part of the Communist Fifth Column? How long before the newspapers and the radio tell the truth about the Guild?

When once the truth is told, with plenty of proof, no Guild member will have the right to protest that he didn't know the Guild was Communist. He will have received ample warning. And if he still remains a member, he will have no right to complain if he is disbarred.

Disbarment...that's the way to crush this Fifth Column of lawyers.

BIGGEST COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN AFL is in Hotel & Restaurant union. Pres. Hugo Ernst is now trying to remove Communist leaders, especially in NYC, where they control over 60,000 workers. Communists have won temporary injunction to stop him. Anti-Communists in NYC have formed Hotel & Restaurant Committee for Trade Union Democracy.

LETTERS FROM COMMUNIST PARTY ORGANIZERS TO A UNION PRESIDENT are part of the evidence that will be read by delegates to CIO convention in Boston in October. Some sort of decision may then be made on the succession of about one-third of the members of the International Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers.

The union president is Maurice E. Travis, president of Mine-Mill. A few months ago he succeeded the former president, Reid Robinson, a party-liner, who was reelected last fall by a dishonest count of the votes. After the election the anti-Communists bolted, going into the CIO Shipbuilding union. Then Philip Murray said he would investigate the charges of Communist control of Mine-Mill. To forestall this, the Communist Party put pressure on Reid Robinson to resign in favor of Vice-President Travis.
But now the Travis letters prove a closer connection between Travis and the Communist Party than has ever been proved against Robinson.

One of the letters is from the party organizer in Idaho, the late Phil Wilkes, written May 13, 1946, to Travis, who was then assistant to Robinson. Wilkes wrote: "You could do a lot in organizing the good people prior to nominations and election...I'm not clear how the question on candidates will be handled in Mine Mill. Perhaps a deal is necessary, but if that is so, we should be advised immediately on who is to be supported and why. I'm sure you are the proper candidate for the office discussed."

Another letter went to a Communist leader, Henry Huff of Seattle, executive secretary of the party's Northwest District. Wilkes wrote to him: "Travis is more receptive to the principle of collective discussion...Lefty and myself just returned from a conference in Chicago. This conference was composed of our people within the Mine Mill and held prior to the Board meeting." (Thus the Communists caucused before the meeting, as usual, deciding what the Board should do.)

The Communist Natl Labor Secretary in 1944, Roy Hudson, conferred with Travis about election of union officers. This is proved by a letter to Hudson from George Knott, a Mine-Mill organizer who was a Communist. Knott wrote: "Recently I held a conversation with Morris Travis and he told me that at a recent meeting with you...regarding the coming elections in Mine Mill, that both of you were in favor of a continued program of unity with certain board members and officers." Knott opposed such unity.

And a letter from Travis himself, to Reid Robinson, president of the union, is a sequel to George Knott's letter. Travis wrote that Knott "has dropped his membership with our friends" (meaning the Communist Party) "and needs some strong leadership to change his point of view."

So there it is...Travis is tarred all over with the Communist brush. And the accessionists are staying in the Shipbuilding union. They swear they won't return to Mine-Mill unless Travis is kicked out of office.

PRES. JOS. CURRAN OF NATL. MARITIME UNION has lost his fight to elect Chas Keith, anti-Communist, vice-president to fill a vacancy. Communists elected Chester Young by narrow margin. Reason: Communists worked hard, rolled up the vote. Opponents didn't. If this is repeated in future elections, Curran may retain the presidency, through personal popularity, but Communists will still have majority of Natl Council, which rules the union.

COMMUNIST CLERGYMEN GIVE THEIR BLESSING TO TORTURE AND MURDER.

seven ministers of religion have made a little journey, at the invitation of Stalin's deputy, or SAULETIER, in Yugoslavia...Joseph Broz, alias Tito. They have flown to his land of freedom to examine certain matters.

Here are FACTS about three of these clergymen:

Dr. Claude C. Williams is a Communist Party member under a false name...

Rev. Dr. Howard Welsh is the Communist chairman of the Natl Council of American-Soviet Friendship, one of the chief Communist fronts.

Dr. Guy Eversy Shipley has sponsored too many Communist fronts to mention. Lately, when Frederick Waltman of N.Y. World-Telegram received the
Pulitzer Prize for his distinguished exposures of Communist fronts. Shipler irascibly denounced this award in his magazine, The Churchman.

Some of the remaining clergymen have had occasional connections with Communist fronts. But perhaps they deserve the benefit of the doubt, for the time being...although any sagacious man would easily discern the purpose for which the tyrants of Yugoslavia intend to use these visitors.

It is a wicked purpose. Dr Shipler has given an inkling of it.
The purpose is this:
The Yugoslav dictatorship held a mock trial of Archbishop Stepinac last year and sent him to prison for a long term, probably intending that he should never emerge alive. The trial was an obvious fake. Of course the archbishop isn't the only victim of that procedure...thousands of others have been sentenced in much the same way. And tens of thousands haven't been tried at all...they have been flung without even a semblance of trial into prisons or concentration camps, or they have been shot or hanged.

Men and women are being tortured every day in the Yugoslav concentration camps and prisons. And into this scene of agony come the seven clergymen, carrying a bucket of whitewash. The purpose for which Dictator Broz, alias Tito, invited them is to return to this country with a report that Archbishop Stepinac got a fair trial. These clergymen are "an unprejudiced group," as Dr Shipler has the effrontery to say with a straight face...although in his magazine, The Churchman, he has published articles condemning the archbishop and acclaiming the trial.

"Your hands are full of blood," said Isaiah.

WHAT IS THE COMMunist PRESS SAYING? It prints cordial letter from Communist Party to F. H. LaGuardia, sick in a hospital, praising him for many acts in his career, such as sponsoring Rep Vito Marcantonio, and for his work as former head of UNRRA in helping Stalin's satellite states. Letter was written because party hoped to run LaGuardia for V-P on Wallace ticket.

Communist press doesn't often denounce capitalism, as in old days. It just dbounces "monopolists," "trusts." Reason: directly and indirectly the party is wooing middle class...small business and professional men.

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO BEAT THE COMMUNISTS: Congress has adjourned. Why not see your senators and your representative if possible, and discuss the means of defeating the Communist Fifth Column?

Ask them what they are doing about making all Communists register as foreign agents...about thoroughly exposing and smashing the Natl Lawyers Guild...about supporting Marshall Plan for helping Europe to help itself...about defeating Stalin's insurrection within Greece, abetted by his puppet states on the Greek borders...about protecting Korea against Communist seizure...about preventing the Kremlin from controlling China or wrecking it.

Ask your senators and representative about their full cooperation in ALL the necessary means to limit Stalin Russia's strength and thus avert the Third World War...the Unnecessary War.

Yours faithfully,

August 1, 1947

COUNTERATTACK