II. Consequences of the Cold War

A. Thousands of people lost their jobs, their livelihoods

B. Organized labor was undermined

1. communists and socialists were purged

2. labor becomes partner with capitalism

3. organized crime filled the power vacuum

C. Most important, 50s and anti-communism eliminated a wide range of ideas

from the political spectrum

1. two party system

2. No labor party, no communist party (1949), no socialist party

F. Anti-communist foreign policy

1. Help from the Nazis and Japanese war criminals

2. CIA and covert operations, Greece, Italy

3. “Regime change”: Iran, Guatemala

4. Indonesia

5. US involvement in Vietnam by 1950s paying for

75% of French war effort