## RIGHTIST GROUPS INCREASE 50 PERCENT

The number of right wing groups functioning locally and nationally **has leaped 50 percent in the past year,** according to a directory which itself is produced by right-wingers. It is the "First National Directory of Rightist Groups, Publications and Some Individuals in the United States." The listing is compiled by the Alert Americans Association. Orders for it are filled by the Noontide Press, P.O. Box 713, Sausolito, Calif. A former associate of **hate-monger Gerald L. K. Smith** is involved with both outfits.

A year ago, the directory contained 2066 listings. A recent supplement added 1154 new listings, for a total of 3220 found in every nook and cranny of the nation. The largest number of listings goes to the National Committee for Economic Freedom, with 72 branches. This is the crowd behind repeal of the federal income tax.

## $38,000 NEEDED TO KEEP AMA QUIET

Apparently, the American Medical Association wanted a new committee formed by the U.S. Selective Service System, to be called the National Advisory Committee on the Selection of Physicians, Dentists and Allied Specialists. So a $38,000 item was included in the Selective Service budget requests to set up such a committee.

Appearing before a House subcommittee to justify the $38,000 request, Selective Service chief, Lt. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, was asked: "What are you paying $38,000 a year for?"

He answered: **"I think what you are paying it for is to placate them (the AMA) and keep them quiet."**

He also said: **". . . I do not think any group is better organized."** This drew a ditto from Subcommittee Chairman Albert Thomas (D.-Texas), who said: **"The tighest group is the AMA. . . ."**

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