

FRONT PAGE CHANGE



The last issue of the "Voice of the People" saw a new masthead design which dropped the old Irish Liberation Press insignia using a gun. This was a tactical decision arrived at because in the minds of many people the gun was associated with the anti-people terrorism of the rightist Provisionals. This paper has always condemned terrorist bombings which injure workers and fail to move one inch closer the end of capitalism.

This tactical change in no way alters the basic line of this paper on the Irish question which is one of demanding the immediate withdrawal of the British army, the release of all patriotic political prisoners, in Ireland and in jails in this country, the unity of Ireland as one nation, and the right of the Irish people to self-determination and the construction of a socialist

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society. It was vital that we allowed no barriers to be erected by the writers and sellers of this paper which would prevent as many workers as possible buying and reading the paper. That would have been to pursue a sectarian line and to regard the symbol as a principal, an end in itself which under all circumstances must be maintained. This paper still believes wholeheartedly that in Ireland, as elsewhere, that political power grows from the barrels of workers' guns and that the people have to be politically educated and organised and mobilised to fight for political power.

Signs

Already there are signs that workers are buying the paper in larger numbers and that our politics are getting through to more people. Under no circumstances would this paper ever abandon a real principle to achieve greater sales. To the contrary, the record of the "Irish Liberation Press", now incorporated into the "Voice of the People", is an outstanding one of eight years of fighting for working class principles. This record is unmatched by any publication claiming to hold the same political views.

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**LONG LIVE THE UNITY OF
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WORKING CLASSES!**