

War in the East

Negro Workers, Fight Against Intervention!

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The monstrous counter-revolutionary plans of Japanese imperialism for armed intervention against the successful building of Socialism in the Soviet Union are openly stated in the pamphlet "Presenting Japan's Side of the Case", published by the Japanese Association in China.

No longer daring to pretend contempt for the Soviet Five-Year-Plan, world imperialism, with the Japanese imperialists in the role of spearhead, are now preparing to start the most reactionary of wars—war against the proletarian dictatorship, war against the rising, flourishing world of Socialism, of working-class emancipation, of liberation of the former oppressed nationalities and national minorities.

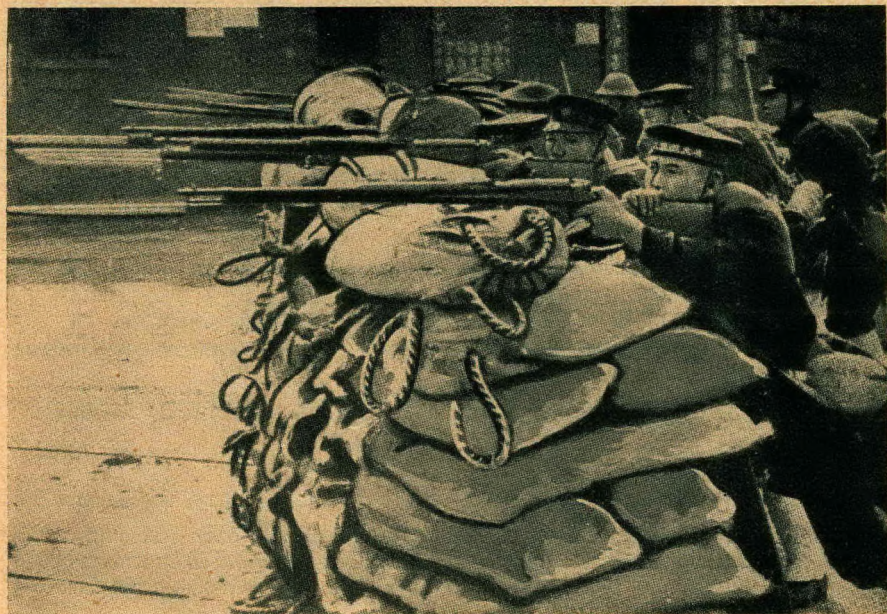
The pamphlet admits a tremendous improvement in the material and cultural conditions of the Soviet masses as a result of the overthrow of Tsarist-capitalism and the establishment of the proletarian dictatorship. "The people of Russia have the satisfaction of knowing that the profits from their toil are being expended for the betterment of their living and working conditions and for national defense. The billions that roll into the state treasury from official enterprises and co-operative farms are used to purchase all manner of railway, textile, electrical, mining and other industrial machinery; to erect houses, lay out new cities; to build roads, waterworks, sewers, public utilities, schools, social and amusement centers and other betterments designed for public welfare."

And for this reason it is necessary to wage a war of annihilation against the workers' fatherland because the success of the Soviet Five-Year-Plan "will bring a revolution in world economy", "a new and better outlook will be created for the other workers of the world", and this will result in "disaster to other industrial nations, and overturn the existing social order" (p. 11).

"Japan sees the handwriting on the wall and her military leaders have appealed to the right of self-defense" (p. 34).

Already the triumphant advance of Socialism in the Soviet Union is stirring the oppressed masses of Asia to throw off their chains, to overthrow their native and imperialist oppressors.

"The Soviet philosophy has permeated all of Central Asia" (12).



Japanese Marine in Shanghai Shooting down Chinese Workers

Dying capitalism must defend its loot, its "right" to rob and oppress the toiling masses. Revolutionary China must be destroyed, China dismembered, victorious Socialist construction in the Soviet Union interrupted, the hopes of the toiling masses of the whole world, based on the glorious achievements in the building of Socialism in the Soviet Union, destroyed; the lives of tens of millions of workers sacrificed. All in order to postpone the inevitable destruction of the insane, accursed capitalist system.

That which was secretly stated in the notorious Tanaka Document of 1927, in which was laid down the program now being faithfully carried out in the present robber war of Japanese imperialism against China and the fast maturing plans for an armed attack against the proletarian state, is now openly stated in the present pamphlet, "Presenting Japan's Side of the Case."

But it is no longer a question of words. Japanese troops are already mobi-

lized on the Soviet border. Tsarist White Guard elements in Manchuria are being organized and armed by the Japanese. Japanese War Minister Araki has openly stated in the Japanese Diet that Japan is to send more troops into Manchuria, that Manchuria is to be converted into a military base against the Soviet Union, and, moreover, that the situation arising out of Japan's robber aims in Manchuria is "more serious than the Russo-Japanese War" of 1905. And the American imperialist press has hailed Japan's decision to send more troops into Manchuria, towards the Soviet frontier, as a "return to the big objective"—armed intervention against the Soviet Union.

Defense of the Soviet Union is defense of the interests of the whole world working class! Negro workers! Rally to the fight against the Japanese robber war! Against the imperialist war inciters and war criminals! For the immediate withdrawal of all imperialist troops and gunboats from China! Against the partition of China and for the defense of the Chinese Soviet districts! For the defense of the Soviet Union and socialist construction! For brotherly solidarity with the Soviet Union and for socialist emancipation of all exploited masses and oppressed colonies!

Remember that we are among the most oppressed of oppressed colonial peoples. That the only way in which we can win our freedom is by uniting together with the working class of all races and the exploited peoples of all lands against the imperialist class, whether it be British, American, French or Japanese.