Gold Coast Revolutions Its Climax

Preparing the Last Stage to Full Independence

By George Padmore

On March 12, 1954, three years after the inauguration of the Constitution of the Gold Coast, the British colony was seized by a revolution. The revolutionaries, whose leaders were members of the party, were the first to be arrested. Members of the party were interrogated, and their property was seized.

But while they were still in jail, the moderate political leaders of the Gold Coast, led by the G.O.C. and the Colonial Secretary, were planning a general election. Although Dr. Nkrumah suggested that 1954 be regarded as “honors and frauds” for the party, the government refused to accept his proposal. The government decided to proceed with the general election to consolidate its positions and to strengthen its control over the country. The government held the elections on November 24, 1954. The elections were a major victory for the government, which won a landslide plurality.

The Colonial Office, in its eagerness to avoid an election, had proposed a new constitution. The new constitution was adopted in 1954. Under the new constitution, the Gold Coast was divided into two parts: the Northern Territories and the Southern Territories. The Northern Territories were under the control of the British government, while the Southern Territories were under the control of the Gold Coast government. The new constitution was designed to give the Gold Coast government greater control over the country.

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Shopworkers' Conference
Some Comments on the ‘All Fools’ Day Agreement’

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WOULD like to correct an error which is being de-

clared by the Labour Party over the ‘All Fools’ Day

Agreement which they concluded with the con-

venience of our own unions being in a weak position

and flux and deflating the public. We engineers are

agreed in increasing 6 per cent.

The agreement, which is full of good intentions, was

fixed at 5 per cent, an increase of 85p per week of 44

hours, and 10 per cent, not 8 per cent. The unions

were formed by the Shopworkers’ Unions who

mandated their members to accept the basic agree-

ment for a 13 per cent increase. And let us be quite clear about

this: it was 15 per cent, on our average pay of £12 per

week, and that is 25 per cent. They accepted only the 6 per

cent which is no incentive bonus scheme and most of the

additional 6 per cent is deflation.

The particular insertion in this union — and other unions that

are now appearing — such as the agreement that is a

minimum guarantee arrangements, the Management to

negotiate at a future date will do away with incentive schemes which have been

drawn up.

NO CONSULTATION

When this agreement was first put forward by the Minister of

the Confederation, many of us felt that it was a good deal. We

would accept the 5 per cent increase and we would accept it.

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