INTRODUCTION TO THE TUCSON MARXIST-LENINIST COLLECTIVE

The Tucson Marxist-Leninist Collective is a recently formed organization that developed from a study group that meet weekly for almost six months. Our development is just one step in the formation of a national Marxist-Leninist Party.

The enclosed "Western Worker" is the party paper of the western chapter of the Communist Labor Party which is published in Los Angeles. This paper is being distributed by the Tucson Marxist-Leninist Collective. We are distributing the "Western Worker" because of the article concerning segregation in Tucson and because we felt that more people in Tucson need to be exposed to a Marxist-Leninist analysis.

There were two minor errors in the article. These minor errors are obvious to most Tucsonians; the Espe Corporation is the ESTES CORPORATION and McLaughoun is Emmet McLOUGHLIN. Certain characterizations are more serious. We recognize that fascist and racist elements in the leadership of PROBE must be opposed, however, the characterization that all members of PROBE are "John Birchers and other right wing scum" is inaccurate. Further, the description of "progressive labor" strength within the city-wide Labor Council is an exaggeration.

We feel that the analysis describing the role of the Estes Corporation and McLoughlin is correct, and that the "mis-leaders" of the labor unions are a hindrance to the struggle of the working class. We feel it is important that the article show the role of the capitalist class in segregation.

The Tucson Marxist-Leninist Collective is in the process of forming a beginning study group. For further information concerning the study group please contact Tim at 792-9727 or write:

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