U.S. IMPERIALISM IS GOING TO HELL. ARE YOU GOING?

Events of these past weeks in this country have twice underlined the fact that the times we are called to is not at all "normal times." The shots in Greensboro, North Carolina, the shootings of the police in the street, the whipping-up, stomach-turning show of revolutionary American flag waving around Iran: "No more shit! ... the time has come... it is time for all the people to stand up..."

All this showed not only the fact that these are times of crisis, it showed as well that there are two roads opening up before the people of this country—the roads of reaction and of revolution. It showed that in a real sense there are two camps as well—the camps of those who cling viciously to the reactionary American dream and try to prop it up, and the camps of those who stand up and say, "Tear this rotting corpse down, make revolution and build something new." The choices are shap ing up.

In Greensboro a message was sent straight from the bourgeoisie. The hammers were no local crazies; their bullets bore the seal of approval of the high authorities in this country. This massacre was like a declaration to reactionaries that hunting season was open—that they would get co-operation from on high in their murder. Greensboro was also a message intended for the masses of people—a message intended to strike fear in those who might "step out of line." And it was a packing-house strike to prop up those who gave the gunmen their orders—the capitalist govern­ ment—at the guardians of safety and reason.

And in addition they added a message to those revolutionary mobs around Iran into this picture—this was really a single war—building the basis of force to demoralize and paralyze the ad vanced, conscious people who have all this into think ing they could do nothing, that everybody was a flag waving, anti-Iranian idiot.

The real meaning of all this—and especially to see not only the reactionary show but the opportunists that are opening up to the revolutionary forces—we have to look deeper. For years, especially since World War 2, the U.S. rulers have been top dogs in the world. The ruling class tried to fasten the chains of force to demoralize and paralyze the ad vanced, conscious people who have all this into think ing they could do nothing, that everybody was a flag waving, anti-Iranian idiot.

This is exactly what is happening when reactionary mobs chant "No more shit! ... U.S. Number One."

The two things we can say about this so called "vision." First, it is a monstrous and reactionary one which is in the minds of the world wide imperialist oppression and exploitation of our rulers along with their reign over us at home. Second, it won't happen.

The U.S. imperialist system is headed down. You can fire up to try to "police" it—well—but only in a corner, there is less chance of achieving this sinking goal than ever, the end is of this bloated capitalist system and making revolution.

The rulers of this country recognize their crisis—and it will be "viciously" solved by crisis, which they plan to win against their equally reactionary Soviet rivals. Oh sure, they make one of a dozy "standing eye flag wavers" who think that the John F. Kennedy movies—super Americans go up shoot "inferior" thumbing and then come home to confess and pretty girls.

But those movies were not long out. Our cowardly "masters of war" will try to sucker naive generations of youth into doing the fighting, but they know the choices are shaping up, more current "thinking" to reflects it—it's a brainwash to brace us for the hell they intend to put us through.

"Far worse..." We don't get World War 2 type movies much any more. This reflects the changed position of the U.S. Beating top dog means you can't pull what they pulled in the last two world wars—sitting back while others did the main fighting and dying and then swooping in to grab the spoils. No, the U.S. is on the front lines all over the world today. That's clear from Vietnam to Iran to Western Europe. And they are facing a power­ ful rival—the equally reactionary and now capitalist Soviet Union, which also needs to expand or die. So today's "war" movies like The Deerhunter and Apocalypse Now, movies that don't paint a picture of a "grand old war," but of war as hell—a hell we have to fight in and be afraid of, like Kurtz puts forward in Apocalypse Now, "Make a friend of horror and mor­ al terror." This is what they are preparing for us. It is more sterile, academic terms they say the same thing. Old "Number One" is heading down—only war can save it. Paul Volcker, the new Chairman of the Federal Reserve, put it this way in a speech last year in London: "With the benefit of hindsight, it would seem that an erosion of the United States' competitive posi­ tion was implicit in the post-war arrangements." And in the same speech he quoted a columnist, "A control­ led disintegration in the world economy is a legitimate object in the 1980s."

Though he did not explicitly say so, his answer is clear—"control the disintegration" and get prepared to fight.

Two Camps

Many people still do not see this underlying reality the capitalist, see, as they try to get us to defend their system. And some—ignorant or slavish—will go for it. They will be desperate to cling to their own decaying positions. There will be the conscious reactionar­ ians—including the George Meanys who get all excited and fire up by claiming they have the answer and can speak for it as they hawk U.S. aggression. Some others today don't know what they are defending, it has to be explained to them. They have been stuck in the sand they don't notice the rotten stench and the thirsting, murdering hand that AMERICA represents to the world.

But there are still others who do see this: Veterans who know that the "punching out" of getting your balls off fighting for the capitalists' profits; oppressed na­ tionaries who see this system and are in the working class as a whole who have felt the breaking back weight of this system and see it for what it is. It is among these people—along with all others who are feeling the whip of the capitalists' screw today and will be tomorrow stepping forward.

These are the forces that must deliver an answer to the coming storm. When they speak about $1 a gallon gas as a reason to send U.S. troops to the Mid­ dle East, the answer is that a class struggle is come, that the value of this planet can but to rationalize the use of the people of the whole world.

The capitalists of this country are pulling the masses of people into political life. They are doing so to serve their own reactionary cause, but, potentially, this is a great advance. After years of carefully built up crap about "campus revolution" of sudden campuses are seething. The stifling atmosphere of phillistine talk about bullshit in the factories is being shattered, too. And many cases already show that the initial pumped up reactionary performance can be challenged, even turned around.

But how? Not by silence on the part of those who see what's really going on and hate it. It can only be turned around if the still relatively small amount of ad­ vanced forces step forward into the storm. The ad­ vanced forces have to step forward and step up its activity.

Chineee Revisionists to Revise Verdict on Soviets?

The likely truth behind the Times ar­ ticle is apparent from other, similar, recent developments in China. For some time, there has been little or no criticism in the Chinese press of the revisionist, the total betrayal of revolutionary Marxism, of the Com­ munist Party of the Soviet Union. The USSR is blasted only for its "hegemo­ nism" in the "cold war" with the U.S. and "aggressiveness. One good reason for the new Chinese rulers' silence on Soviet revisionism is ironical in light of the Times article: "Peking's willingness to drop the revisionist label also helps the Government avoid the problem of explaining to the people that the Chinese party has not also become revi­ sionist ...

In the major speech last month at the ceremonies marking the thirtieth an­ niversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China, in recount­ing the history of China since liberation, there is no mention at all of the historic 1927-1930 Chinese Communist Party's leadership in opposing the Soviet revisionists, in contrast there is only the strangely polite reference to "... the scrapping of con­
IRANIAN STUDENTS TAKE ON ATTACK

Three self-proclaimed immigration officials who led the whip in whipping up anti-Iranian hysteria in Washington, D.C.

On November 16, President Carter announced to General Benjamin Civiletti to begin deportation hearings against Iranian students with no visa. It was an old time-worn trick that the bourgeoisie pulled out of the closet—another in a reactionary series of attempts to whip up a storm of racist anti-Iranian hysteria. From so-called kidnappings to attempts by four Iranians of the Governor of Minnesota, which played in the press for days until Nov. 16 they admitted "it was all a mistake!" (1), to the freezing of Iranian assets in the U.S., the media frothed at the mouth like it hadn't been in years.

We spoke with two Iranian students to get their reactions to this latest series of attacks. "They want to build up a lot of anti-Iranian sentiment to cover up the Iranian people's cause and keep the American people from realizing why the Iranian people are demonstrating against the U.S. I think they're also using this as the focus of what is really happening in Iran."

"We are being fingerprinted and photographed, because the immigration has no photos of us...they want to show us they're tough. It sounds like we are in a concentration camp, and I feel like a Jew in Hitler's Germany, I'm scared the police will stop me, you know!...I know a guy who had to run out of his house in the middle of the night, cause the immigration was after him."

The ruling class is trying to work from both sides of the fence with the harassment of the Iranians. On the one hand they whip a lot of hatred towards the foreign born and at the same time they reap the added bonus of bringing their files up to date on any potential "troublemakers." On top of this, they've done their best to paint a picture of "loyal American workers" in Iran.

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be the U.S. or the Shah. He once served as the Shah's religious adviser, advising him on how best to use religion to keep the Iranian people in chains. He has been one of the prime movers in the Khomeini government's attacks on the Kurdish people's struggle. And all indications point to Beheshti as having intrigued behind the students' embassy takeover to further his personal ambitions to rule Iran with a totally feudal regime; more backwards than Khomeini, which has had to make some concessions to the people.

Beheshti favors U.S. investment and repression of the Iranian people as long as they would allow him to carry out fascist rule as he would see fit. He has been out to get Bazargan all along, because the ex-prime minister favored a more "modern" capitalist state to oppress the people, like that of Sadat in Egypt. This is in keeping with the forces that Bazargan represents, Iranians who have ties with western capital. When the situation arises to submerge themselves beneath the Islamic government. They haven't forgotten that the only force capable of submerging themselves beneath the Islamic government. They haven't forgotten that the only force capable of submerging themselves beneath the Islamic government. They haven't forgotten that the only force capable of submerging themselves beneath the Islamic government. They haven't forgotten that the only force capable of submerging themselves beneath the Islamic government. 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tractions and withdrawal of specialists (in the early 1960s—RIV) by the Government of the Soviet Union ahead of opposing the United States of America for "Old Glory", to play on the patriotism and anger the American people have built around the world (such as the CPML in this country) should be hilarious to those leaders. And, after all, Brezhnev is much the same way as they did during the Vietnam war. High on the list on this score is the ILUW, which dispelled any lingering assumption with its militant past by refusing to allow the longshoremen to handle Iranian cargo.

"This guy came into the office where I worked and was talking with one of the employees. I found out he was a marine and he was saying, "Oh, this thing in Iran has been so good for us now, you know. I always knew it was like during Vietnam, when we got off the plane I got buried with flags and candies and they resented us. And now I really feel it's changing, that the American nations' events are affecting us. We're becoming a whole...the situation in Iran is good, too."

This is the real story behind the attacks on the Iranian students. What a perfect opportunity! To play on the patriotism and anger the American people have built around the world (such as the CPML in this country) should be hilarious to those leaders. And, after all, Brezhnev is much the same way as they did during the Vietnam war. High on the list on this score is the ILUW, which dispelled any lingering assumption with its militant past by refusing to allow the longshoremen to handle Iranian cargo.

I want the hostages, he was saying, just in Iran but in other underdeveloped countries everywhere, like Africa and China and the Philippines and how this country has supported the worst fascists and dictatorships in all of them, and invited them to offer them to live here. We have a right to demand that the government of Iran has to send the Shah back!"

"The people ask us these things. What right does Iran have to take hostages, what right does it have to depose the Shah be sent home, they say if we do that all the countries in the world will make the same demands."

They still face the serious problem of the Iranian people. They didn't believe the Iranian people can overthrow the Shah, yet it happened, so they have to bring the Shah into the U.S. would touch off the powerful explosion and anti-Americanism that was forced them to take measures that they would have to leave the hostages in place. So that means that the Iranian people's hatred of American imperialism and changing the way they operate. Whatever the continued intrigue that the Soviets are pulling is, the Iranian people themselves are still the wild card.