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The smashing of the van. On 18th September, 1917, Allen, Larkin, and O'Brien, members of the Fenian movement, rescued two of their incarcerated comrades, Deasy and Kelly, from the prison van in which they were being transported from Belle Vue jail to Borrough jail. Deasy and Kelly both got clear away.

Throughout Britain, Ireland and the world, let the call ring out —

FREE THE IRISH POLITICAL PRISONERS NOW!

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FREE THESE PRISONERS NOW!

Several Irishmen remain political prisoners in jails up and down Britain. These men do not merely support all demands for an end to the incarceration of these men, they must lead the campaign for their immediate and unconditional release.

MEN OF NO CRIME

At the Irish National Liberation Solidarity Front (INLSF) has consistently pointed out, these men have committed no real crime. This must be clearly understood. According to the statute book of the British imperialist ruling class, these men are criminals, even though some of them have not yet even been tried! But in fact it is just this ruling class that is the real criminal. For centuries this class of industrialists, financiers, commerce bosses and absentee landlords has lived comfortably from plundering the working people of Ireland. The muscle of every success from Keane and Roche, Lynch and O'Sullivan has been politically involved for some time.

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From a cell in Brixton prison

Frank Keane wishes
INLSF every success

All have pleaded not guilty. Apart from Keane, Roche and Rodbr, all others have involved arms. British and Irish special branch gags have been active in all cases. The case of Smullen and Doherty the chief state prosecution witness was an arms dealer who acted as an agent of the special branch and concealed recording equipment on his person to trap them. In the case of Lynch and O'Sullivan the special branch planted them both out as being guilty to the key witness, a night-watchman of an arms factory, before the trial commenced. Defence council got the night-watchman to admit this during the trial.

Frank Keane is charged with the murder of a police officer in the southern part of Ireland. In fact, the Dublin regime want him home as he has been politically involved for some time, and hope to use the murder charge to hang him.

Frank Roche is charged with the damage of C.S. gas grenades by which the House of Commons, down among a collection of parliamentary prostitutes, the very same ones that shipped C.S. gas to Ireland telling the world it was "harmless".

All cases are completely political. Other men in addition to those above are incarcerated awaiting trial. These include Brendan McGill and others arrested with him. This case also involves charges concerning weapons. Other men have been sentenced to terms of imprisonment, but those of the above are somewhat incomplete. Any information concerning any of these charges, sentenced, or not mentioned in this list should be forwarded to the editor so that their cases may be given publicity in the campaign.

LIST OF PRISONERS IN BRITAIN

1. EAMON SMULLEN (8 YEARS) G A R T R E E PRISON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
2. GERRY DOHERTY (4 YEARS) WAKEFIELD PRISON, YORKSHIRE.
3. MICHAEL O'LYNCH (7 YEARS) WAKEFIELD PRISON, YORKSHIRE.
4. RICHARD MCALVARTY (5 YEARS) A BINGHAM.
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7. BARRY BROTON (4 YEARS) WINSON GREEN PRISON, BIRMINGHAM.
8. ALAN MILVEN (3 YEARS) WINSON GREEN PRISON, BIRMINGHAM.
9. FRANK KEANE (REMAINED IN CUSTODY) BRIXTON PRISON, LONDON.
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**The Struggle in Ireland**

**Summary of month**

- **WORKERS' CHILDREN MUST STAY AT HOME**
  One result of the increased bus-fares in Belfast is, as stated by welfare officers in various areas, that many working-class families are being forced to stop their children from going to school. They simply cannot afford it.

- **AGGRESSORS GASSED**
  In Belfast on Thursday, the British aggressor troops were given a taste of their own medicine when militant youths staked even in Springfield flushed with missiles, including a gas grenade. The aggressors, taken completely by surprise, were rendered helpless.

- **OPPRESSOR AND OPPRESSED**
  Statistics published at the end of December, relative to the recent events resulting from the exploitation of Irish workers in Irish companies, states that the average from each of their workers decreased from £170 in 1970 to £158.25 in 1971. A further memorandum shows that British imperialism in its Irish colony sought to undermine the 1970 compensation return on capital employed by the Irish subsidiary with a rate of 12.6%.

- **DUBLIN REGIME COMMITTED GRAVE CRIME**
  For several weeks a Dublin youth, Martin Dolphine, has been incarcerated in Mountjoy Prison on charge of being a Criminal Insane at Dundrum. The youth was not brought to Dundrum on October 17th last by order of O'Malley, fascist Minister of Justice.

- **WORKERS' INJURIES**
  Of course, there isn't anything insane about Martin Dolphine. He is in prison for his political beliefs. He has stated that he is the son of Irish revolutionaries. Specifically he is incarcerated and officially described as a "criminal insane" by the tribunal, opened on September 29th last, he and another person were examined before they appeared before him again. Dolphine has been incarcerated at Dundrum where the largest single group of patients is removed from the state.

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- **FIGHTER FOR THE PEOPLE**
  A woman suffering from angina, who was accompanied by her daughter who suffered from epilepsy, was grabbed by one of the fascist policemen, and a non-military policeman began kicking her.

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- **STUDENT STRIKE**
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The Struggle in Britain

Summary of month

• IRISH NATIONAL MINORITY UNDER NEW ATTACK

Irish workers wanting to come to Britain will be subjected to vicious control in terms of the new Immigration Control Bill, which the government, on behalf of the ruling class, intends to pass. Irish workers will be forced to register at police stations and undergo a yearly application to stay in Britain. Black workers will also be subjected to the above repression and more, the new Bill is a major part of the ruling class campaign against national minorities in Britain, mainly black and Irish workers. Other plans provide for control measures to be introduced to the insurance cards of all immigrant workers in Britain and a new clause has been identified and singled out as a key issue in the ruling class strategy of "divide and rule".

• PAPER TIGER GROWL

Margaret Thatcher's government issued a threat to the Irish working class that "toughen measures" would be used against them to counter increased militancy.

• RACISM

Mrs. Margaret Thatcher has made a speech expressing concern that the National Front was not "taking seriously" the national Front's racist activities. She then went on to say that "we should not be content to see them reduced to a cartoon for the history books." (The aim of the ruling class is to "neutralize" the National Front by portraying it as a "laughing stock" party and so breaking its power to mobilize its political forces against the working class and the socialist revolution.)

The government in its Industrial Relations Bill, a blueprint for fascism, has attempted to force a law through the Commons, which prevents power workers and power workers and students to be subjected to McCarthy-type fascist witch-hunting.

• MASSIVE REDUNDANCIES UPON US

Redundancies in Britain in 1979 were 49% higher than in 1968. According to the Financial Times a further 220,000 workers were made redundant in 1979. The 2.3 million workers have been attacked on three sides of the economic table. First, wages have been held down as low as possible, the highest is 20% whereas the Labour government cut it to 11% and the Tory government to 5%. Second, widespread unemployment has increased. Third, the training industry has been closed down and many workers have been left with no form of training to enable them to make use of their skills in the job market.

• WORKING CLASS MILITANCY

In recent months this total attack on the working class has united the workers in a common struggle against the Fascist Tory government. The Labour Party, the major opposition group in Britain, is now losing its support among the working class. The Labour Party is a section of the Fascist ruling class which is attempting to take over the government of Britain.

FREE THE IRISH POLITICAL PRISONERS NOW!

The government has abolished the anti-republican law of 1922. It is now printing a booklet called "the special relationship" that has existed for so many years to counter all the mass movement. They are also printing a booklet called "U.S.-U.K. trade relations". The government is trying to undermine the mass movement in Britain and Ireland. Let's create the climate for a mass campaign. Get organized now!
Mary McGonigle is an Irish immigrant. Every inhuman and woman will see a little of their own experience in what she is going through. Life is hard for her and others like her under capitalism. So hard that at times she gets a little too confident of her

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"You've got to get out by ten in the morning, Monday to Christmas day, too — and you can't come back to the hostel before eight o'clock. Then you have to come in at four you've got to sit in a room until seven because they won't let you go to the room you sleep in, of course. McGonigle talks about the conditions that she endures: "There's no privacy here, even now and again you get your letters opened. Lots of shoes in the room..."

The causes of her plight extend far beyond her personal experience. The INLSF holds political education courses, and oil companies deliberately try to drive women away in order to make them seem desperate. Yet these women are well aware of the level of their own struggle.

Mary McGonigle, now forty-seven, left Ireland in 1958. Her reason for leaving was that of Mary and her daughter, Margaret, and this mirrors the typical journey of many women who have left Ireland in recent times. They have been acutely aware of the levels of unemployment, poverty, and colonial oppression that they have experienced, and of the fact that many of these problems are deeply entrenched.

The INLSF offers a variety of political education courses, including one on the history of women's struggles in Ireland. Mary McGonigle is one of the women who have attended these courses, and she is now a member of the INLSF. She feels that she is well placed to speak out on behalf of the women who are struggling, and she is determined to do so.
Carr bombing – new fascist move?

Two bombs have been thrown at the home property of Carr, Secretary of State for Employment and Productivity, and architect of the fascist Industrial Relations Bill, which provides for the firing and imprisonment of workers in Britain who go on strike.

Clearly, the detonation of these bombs is an anti-working class act. It is the capitalist system, not one of its lackeys, that has to be destroyed through revolution so that the new socialist society can be constructed. The bombings provide the ruling class with a pretext for going on the offensive.

Already – in the absence of logic and facts – the workers who demonstrated against the new fascist Bill have been pointed out as the perpetrators of the act. Already, Feather has used the bombings to viciously attack the revolutionary rank and file who are backbone of both the growing militancy of the British working class movement and the mass exposure of rotten sell-out scabs, such as Feather. Workers who fight fascists developings are being labelled as “terrorists” and “thugs.” Everything fits so tidy for the bosses, the bosses are fanaticly using the bombings to get sympathy for their fascist legislation.

From the standpoint of logic every bomb has detached the facts that the fascist themselves exploded the bombs, motivated as Hitler was when he burnt down the Reichstag building in order to provide himself with an excuse to round up and crush revolutionary forces. British anti-routinely capitalism is in a state of deep crisis. We can expect more bombings, more slanders against the growing forces of revolution in this country. We must be extremely vigilant. We will win. There is no force mightier than a politically conscious working class.

More Prisoners

Brixton Prison, London: 
Seramus Monaghan, 
Thomas O’Donnell, 
Joseph McBrien, 
Tymas George, 
Seramus McGonigle, 
D. O’Brien.

Pigs attack Black Workers

On the evening of Sunday 10th January a towering crime was perpetrated against the members and supporters of the Black Unity and Freedom Party. This latest racist attack provides the only minutes after members of the BUFP had left Lewisham Hospital after visiting several black workers who were courageous in a bombing raid at a dance a few nights earlier. The BUFP is investigating this bombing incident. Outside the Hospital several thugs, one of them with a knife, attempted to incite BUFP people. Two pigs who were nearby saw what was happening and made no effort to apprehend the thugs. Instead, upon BUFP people commencing their bus journey, the pigs stopped the bus, forced it to deviate and drove the commandeled the Lewisham Police Station, where, it is alleged, the pigs brutally assaulted those black workers. Five pigs tried to ram the head of one of the black workers through a pane of glass and when the comrades contrived in order to defend his face, put his hand out in front of him, resulting in the break of the pane of glass, the fascist pigs charged him with damaging police property.

Eleven BUFP people were finally charged and forced to appear in court the following morning. The BUFP organised a fifty strong picket outside the court. This militant stand is a signal for the future mass campaigns of the Party. The BUFP recognises that the fascist police are merely setting a line only to drop it on their own feet. The BUFP are determined to ensure through an organised campaign that the line is aimed with the right force in the right direction at the right time.

EDITORIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

In view of the fascist attack launched by the pigs against the members and supporters of the Black Unity and Freedom Party, which is in essence an attack against the whole working class; and with the ruling class having launched a slander campaign against workers in reaction to the bombing incident at Carr’s residential home, these issues are being taken up here, albeit briefly, and the article on the programme of the Peoples Democracy organisation is being left over until the next number of the “Press.”

Political Dictionary

REVOLUTIONISM

Revolutionism in Britain, Ireland and elsewhere in the service of imperialism. At the present time it has its headquarters in Northern Ireland in the form of the “Committee” Party of the Soviet Union. This Party has nothing in common with what Lenin stood for. It has none of the principles of the revolutionary soul of communism and is currently busy giving the imperialist system its last breath of life.

Lenin led the struggle to expose and smash revolutionism, and here are some of the statements he made concerning it:

Revolutionism sacrifices the fundamental interests of the working class. It keeps the working class in a state of mental and economic subservience (automatic clients).

The theoretical victory of Marxism obliged its followers to disguise themselves as Marxists.

Revolutionism emasculates the revolutionary essence of Marxism and pushes to the forefront those petty bourgeois interests that are acceptable to the bourgeoisie.

Revolutionism declares that the doctrines of Marx are inadequate and obsolete, using “new” arguments and “facts” as a basis to argue against popularising the bourgeois.

Revolutionism amounts to a perversion, distorting with the stream, lacking definable and firm principles.

Revolutionism denounces class struggle and class collaboration.

Revolutionism sharply whitewashes bourgeois democracy, in a vain attempt to win a majority by means of universal suffrage (Ed. that is by voting in general elections etc) and then to obtain state power.

Revolutionism vainly attempts to take an obedient, reformist road of transition to socialism, denying revolutionary violence as the fundamental feature of the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Revolutionism is a reflection of bourgeois influence in the working class movement.

Revolutionism is a direct product of the bourgeois world outlook and its influences.

The bourgeoisie understands that it is better to use revolutionaries within the working class movement rather than the bourgeoisie itself to define the bourgeoisie.

Go down lower end deeper end win. The struggle is deeper and wider. Work constantly for the development of their struggle against revolutionism.

Revolutionism is an international phenomenon. It is necessary to remove this pest as quickly and as thoroughly as possible.

Do not allow any bargaining over principles. Do not make "commissions" in questions of theory.

Facts and Figures: How the bosses’ class robs you

This is a regular “Press” feature which provides facts and figures on how the bosses’ class robs you.

One law for the ruling class, another for the working class.

Whilst workers and their families come under vicious attack when they struggle for better wages and conditions, the bosses’ class is certainly taking care of its own. Below, the “Press” prints a table exposing some of the most evident tricks the monopoly capitalist firms have recently awarded themselves profit increases, in one instance of up to a massive 76% a year. How do the capitalist family vote with what you hand your wife and kids in order to get by?

We fight in Britain to build up solidarity with the struggle of the Irish people. We try to educate the British working class as to the class nature of the fight in Ireland against growing fascism and for national liberation. Also, of course, we believe that whatever way we can in the building of a revolutionary mass movement here in this country the British ruling class is the main exploiter of the Irish people is also the main exploiter and main enemy of the working class in this country.

Who are we? We are a group of workers, Irish, British and other nationals, who have joined together in the INLSL. The thing is that, unless you purchase this paper from a newsagent, you, like thousands of others have bought it while you were out for a drink, in the street, outside a church, or at work, from a member of the Irish National Liberation Front. This person is a worker, as you probably are. The chances are that he has written part of the paper, has spent hours doing letraset (that’s a type of transfer used for making headlines) and “pasting up” columns of type set by the printer, carefully checking that everything is parallel, that is ensuring that the paper is as good as it can be for you and people like you. He believes Ireland should be free, united and socialist. He has faith that people like you will respond and join the organisation. He understands that the workers of Britain, Ireland and the whole world have everything in common as workers and can only liberate themselves from capitalism/imperialist exploitation by making revolution. He gets nothing financially out of spending his after-work hours in serving the people in this way.

If you like what you read in the paper and would like to do something serious to help, then get in touch. Ring the office 455 6068. Why not do it now?
IRISH CLASS HISTORY IN PHOTO

The main pictured on the right above is reported to be an ex-British army officer. It is said that he was arrested many years ago by the "IRA." Moreover, a number of different stories have been put forward in the Irish nationalist press as to why action was taken against him. Some reports state that the action was taken in the early hours of Sunday, 10th January.

So there is quite a lot of confusion at the moment as to the root of the issue. But in any case, the incident is an example of how the Irish nationalist press often misuse photographs accompanied by banner headings like "This is Irish history!" It is time to form, Irish nationalism use the incident in order to whip up a racist hate campaign against Irish people struggling in Ireland and here in this country. It is all part of the ruling class tactic of divide and rule the working class by turning worker against worker.

The other photograph, however, is printed as a reminder for the Irish ruling class that as far back as the 1798 rebellion its own oppressive system-ruled-ruled only their brutality by those now occupying the north of Ireland to try to "resettle the Irish masses," but past the far into capita the struggle became known as "killing and banditry" and then set tight to it with the effect of the heads of thousands of women, women and children. So let the ruling class that still in 1798 exploits and brutally murder the people of Ireland on their own soil understand that that they now condemn with crocodile tears as "injustice" to the working class of this country and, in their case most definitely for unjust reaction.

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World Struggles

"The socialist of another country is a fellow-patriot, as the capitalist of my own country is a foreign enemy." — James Connolly

Summary of month

Focus on Poland

Poland

The revolutionary workers of Poland in December 1970 have reached a new and historic stage in the struggle against modern revisionism, the restoration of capitalism in their country, and the colonial policies of the Russian counter-revolutionary clique. Massive street demonstrations by the working class supported by revolutionary students have added new problems to an already abundant supply for the capitalist readers in the Soviet Union and their lackeys in the Eastern Bloc countries.

Massive increases in the price of foodstuffs, e.g. meat products up 17.6%, flour 16%, milk 8%, cotton and woolen fabric 14.5%, coal 14%, and coffee 22.1%, caused workers to surge onto the streets shouting the slogans "Give us Bread" and "Give us freedom!" It was estimated that these increases would raise a family's food bill by 20%.

In Gdansk the people besieged the building of the provincial committee of the Polish United Workers' Party signing the "Internationale" (reproduced in this issue) and denouncing the treacherous leadership of the revisionist party. Panic strikes at the rise of working class militancy, the authorities ordered the police and army to attack workers and six people were killed and 115 people laid wounded at this demonstration. Tear gas was also used by the police against crowds.

Meanwhile, the Soviet socialist-imperialist leaders were preparing to suppress the Polish people's struggle. Soviet troop movements were reported along Poland's borders with East Germany and Czechoslovakia, and the Soviet revisionist party's First Secretary, Brezhnev, was reported to have flown to Warsaw.

In the face of the widespread people's uprising, Gomulka was forced to resign as leader of the Polish revisionist party and a new government had to be formed. The new revisionist leadership had no chance but announce "special measures" to assist families living on exceptionally low wages, and a ban on further price rises for a year. The Polish people thus scored some success in their struggle. But this success is the beginning. The People of Poland will not rest content until political power is restored to them and the dictatorship of the proletariat has been re-established.

Spain

Worldwide protest actions and countless strikes, demonstrations and other mass struggles within Spain thwarted the Franco fascist regime in its attempt to murder 6 Basque fighters for democratic rights. After announcing death sentences on 6 Basques and lengthy prison sentences on 10 others, Franco revealed the weakness of his regime on December 30th when he personally commuted the death sentences to life-imprisonment. This was an important victory for the Spanish and world workers. Never again will the Franco clique can confidently be predicted for the future.

U.S. Troops Rebel

Desertions from the U.S. army are increasing rapidly as more and more soldiers come to realise how U.S. Imperialism cares nothing for their lives: but uses them as cannon fodder in its wars of aggression in Vietnam, the Soviet Union and Central America.

In 1970 one G.I. deserted every 5 minutes in addition to a quarter of a million going "absent without leave." Also, mutinies have taken place including many amongst the aggressor troops in Vietnam. In the U.S. army there are now 70,000 underground newspapers. The day is not far off when the British soldier, like the U.S. soldier, will refuse to shed his blood to make profits for his imperialist masters.

The People's Republic of China

China has made an all-round advance in agriculture this year, following good harvests for eight years running. Total and per hectare grain output has exceeded even all previous records. Industry, too, has forged ahead making striking gains. Under the leadership of comrades Mao and the Communist Party of China these giant steps further accelerate the revolution of socialism, not only for China but also a shining example for all peoples everywhere struggling for emancipation from imperialist exploitation and oppression.

Israel

Workers, clerks, and teachers have recently struck in Israel for higher pay. In Tel Aviv's Postal Office 600 strikers have taken place in the last 3 months. The teachers' strike has lasted for 3 weeks. Class contradictions between workers and the Zionist ruling clique are manifested in such strikes.

Guinea

The people of Guinea have been dealing severe blows to Portuguese imperialism in their struggle in November and December. After the surprise attack by over 300 mercenaries the Guinean people quickly counter-attacked driving them back into the sea.

Dhofar

The People's Liberation Army have been dealing British imperialist troops powerful blows. They are proving in struggle that imperialism is a paper tiger. For the first time Red Berets—the independent Special Services—have been sent to Dhofar. Many British aggressor soldiers have been killed in battle, & much equipment has been captured. Many have been shot down.

Vietnam—Laos—Cambodia

On December 10th the Central Committee of the Vietnam Workers' Party and the government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam issued an important appeal, calling upon the entire army and people to unite even more closely, persist in and step up vigorously the war against U.S. aggression and to fight shoulder to shoulder with the Laotian and Cambodian peoples.

Moscow

The Moscow branch of the General Confederation of Palestinian students reluctantly rejected the "Roger Plan" and all other capitalist resolution. The students pointed out that the only solution to the Palestinian question will come from the barrel of a gun. This is in complete agreement with decisions of the Soviet Social Imperialists.

Italy

On December 15th several million Italian workers—demanding better working and living conditions—took strike. This included railroad workers, labourers, sailors and printers. The strikers paraded half of Italy. On the same day students and workers demonstrated against the fascist brutalities of the Italian police pigs.

Australia

Thousands of Australian workers went on strike recently to protest against ruthless exploitation by the Australian capitalist and U.S. monopoly class. Students and workers demonstrating against the fascist legislation prohibiting demonstrations were attacked by mounted police.

Canada

23,000 workers in auto factories in Ottawa recently went on strike in protest against U.S. monopoly class. Many factories were picketed. Large mass meetings of workers' U.S. and others.

Jordan

Jordanian reactionary on Dec 7th launched new fascist attacks on the Palestinian guerrillas. The guerrillas hit back and were able to defend their positions.

West Berlin

In West Berlin on December 13th 3,500 people hold a powerful demonstration in support of the revolutionary struggle of the world peoples against U.S. Imperialism.

Holland

On December 15th all Holland ground to a halt as the result of the General Strike against the governments wage freeze policy. Strikers burst into the Dutch parliament and remained there as an occupation protesting against Government repression.

The Watchword of Labour

Oh! hear ye the watchword of Labour, The slogan of them who's de free, To the song of the wind and the sea, Must labour bend suppliant knee. That we on whose shoulders are borne, The peace and the glory of the great, Whose tall they repay with their scorn, Must challenge and master our fate.

CHORUS:

Then shout it aloft on the breeze, boys That watchword the greatest we've known, That labour must rise from its knees, boys, And claim the broad earth as its own. Ay! we! we! we! Ay! we! we! we! Yet kneel in abstemious and suadour, To the thing we had made by our hands, Now valor with worth will be palming When answering Labour's command. We'll fight and fight for the land And for the men and for the land For manhood for freedom take stand.

CHORUS:

Then out from the field and the City, From workshop, from mill and from town, Dispersing their wretch and their pity, We workers are moving in line, To strike, to resist, to defend, That labour gives forth as its own, Not pause till our fetters we've broken, And conquered the arrow and the sword.

CHORUS:

What Connolly Taught Us

Connolly taught us that people have might, and if Ireland we must get up and fight.

For 800 years the landlords have fed off the rich Irish soil, which now cover our dead.

And things have not changed for the better. That the Irish are on the scene off the blood, sweat and brains of our men and women.

Tall he said: he said organize fully all that is at hand, to come out and give up all who are raping our land.

He taught us that freedom and in the end it. He showed us the path and went marching, each bend.

He pointed out clearly that black blood would be shed, and many would die, and many now are dead. Because the capitalist class will make war and give a damn for the suffering and pain.

Connolly taught us that People of the world and surely will say if they rise up and fight and go on fighting with guns in hand to win the freedom and the world and free Ireland.

This poem has been written by Jim Hillis, a worker born in Britain, who is an officer of the Irish National Liberation Solidarity Front.

U.S.—Soviet Joint Concept of Justice

In order, no doubt, to compare the similarities of their two judicial systems the U.S. ruling class and Soviet revisionist scientists working with the American ruling clique in the U.S. are getting together, at the personal initiative of war criminal Nixon, at the trial of blind revolutionary women leader Angela Davies. The black workers and white workers of the U.S. will not be fooled. They are rapidly coming to understand that until political power is vested in the working class, there can be no real justice for the Angela Davies's of this world.
TROTSKY
ORGANIZER OF HITLER’S RUSSIAN FIFTH COLUMN

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A few days later, Trotsky tried by appointment with a high officer of the Japanese intelligence service. The Japanese officer began the conversation boldly, "We know that you are a very close friend and admirer of Mr. Trotsky," he said. "I must ask you not to tell our government about this interview."

Trotsky’s hands shook nervously as he replied, "This is an absolutely impossible situation!"

"But I am here to protect you," the Japanese officer went on. "If you have any information that might harm the interests of our country, please tell me."

"I have no information," Trotsky replied. "But I must say..."

"Go on," the Japanese officer urged. "I want to hear everything."

Trotsky hesitated for a moment, then continued, "I have heard that Mr. Trotsky..."
Panic-stricken at the rising tide of working class militancy and political consciousness, the Dublin regime of British imperialism, headed by arch-traitor Edward Heath, has officially stated its intention to open several concentration camps for political prisoners, that is concentration camps which will incarcerate Irishmen and women revolutionary patriots and other progressive peoples, whose "crime" is to work for the overthrow of the murderous rule of British imperialism, win national liberation, and build a united socialist republic of Ireland. This towering crime is an attack against the masses of the people of Ireland and openly the door for similar incursions in the occupied northern part of their country.

**Dublin Regime Takes Its Orders**

In this, as in all other matters of importance, the Dublin regime acted on the instructions of their own imperialist masters, currently represented by the Conservative Government, following as it does the reactionary policies of its imperialist Labour party predecessors. This monstrous crime clearly establishes yet once again that in essence there is little difference between Dublin and Stormont and that the British bosses class, supported by these two regimes, is the main enemy of the people of Ireland.

Let there be no mistake about it, the internment of the first Irish woman will signal the start of a massive campaign on this issue, which will be felt throughout Britain. The Irish minority and the rest of their British working class comrades will not stand idly by whilst Irish people are interned without trial on their own soil. The Curragh concentration camp shown itself to be incapable of damping the thirst of the people of Ireland for national liberation. Any similar tactic employed in 1971 are sure to be met with the same fate. Similarly, nothing will prevent the British people mobilizing in solidarity with their Irish brothers and sisters.

Within days of Lynch's criminal announcement to open camps, the Irish National Liberation Solidarity Front organized a successful public rally and demonstration in London. Thousands of leaflets and stickers went among the people. Despite short notice and bad weather more than two hundred people attended the rally and well over half marched several miles through the streets of London to the Irish embassy where a stern warning was handed in.

**Black Workers March**

The affiliation of the INLSF to the Revolutionary Coordinating Committee meant that many members of the Black Unity and Freedom Party turned out in wholehearted solidarity with the struggle of the Irish people, a fact that every single imperialist paper here and in Ireland ignored. The key ruling class racist policy of divide and rule got a huge kick in the teeth and instantly the bossy papers had to conceal this important development from the British people.

**Phonies Exposed**

The successful INLSF demonstration contrasted sharply to the collapse of the plans of the so-called Irish Solidarity Campaign, a clique composed recently of a collection of paper organizations including the now defunct Civil Rights Solidarity Campaign (an "International Socialist" failure), Northern Ireland Civil Rights Association, International Marxist Group, and Clan na 'Gaedheal, supported at their Birmingham founding conference by Peopls' Democracy, which on the same day as the INLSF anti-internment rally and demonstration mobilized for their "rally" at Speakers Corner an estimated three people. In fact, it is understood, despite support for this cliche from the "Irish Times", that there was in fact no ISC rally that day, and that it is doubtful if more than a handful actually picketed the Irish Embassy. Hence the estimate made in the last issue of the "Irish Liberation Press" to the effect that "Between all of these so-called solidarity organizations it is doubtful if they could muster more than fifty people for a demonstration, such is their desertion by workers in Britain" was clearly overgenerous by far.

**INLSF Seriousness**

The vital issue of internments has once again established beyond all doubt that the INLSF is the only serious organization in existence in Britain concerned to educate workers here as to the class nature of the struggle against British imperialism in Ireland and the only organization that is capable of mobilizing any working class support for the people of Ireland. Facts are the facts and the December 13th INLSF anti-internment solidarity action speaks for itself.

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**RUC/KBE**

Edward Heath, leading mouthpiece of the British ruling class, has conferred upon Sir Arthur Young, for more than a year head of the R.U.C., the title of Knight of the British Empire in the New Year honours list.

Whilst Heath remembers the services rendered by Young, the Irish people do not forget either. The role Young played so far as the people are concerned is that of a fascist pig whose loyalty to British imperialism culminated in the support he gave to the suppression of the evidence concerning the murder by the R.U.C. of Samuel Donnely on December 13th, 1969. For the people K.B.E. stands for Killer for the British Empire.

Now back in London as commissioner of police, Young is no doubt eager to apply the lessons he learned when in charge of keeping the people of Derry and Belfast in their "proper place". However, lessons were learnt on both sides and what comes next promises to be highly interesting.

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**Get Informed**

The "Irish Liberation Press" was the only paper to expose the plans of the British ruling class to order its Dublin stooges to open concentration camps for political prisoners in the southern part of Ireland. Lynch made his policy public on the 4th December.

In issue number six (out on Oct. 23rd) the "Press" stated "It is reliably reported that the Curragh political internment camp in Kilclare is being re-painted and made ready for use by the Dublin Lackey clique". In issue number seven (out on Nov. 21st) it was stated that "...Lynch has already received orders from his imperialist master that, with class contradictions growing acute throughout Ireland, this hole (Ed. i.e. the Curragh) should be prepared once again for use against the Irish working masses".

Not even these papers produced in Ireland were in receipt of this information. To regularly read the "Irish Liberation Press" is to really keep informed about the struggle in Ireland.

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