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WORKERS AND STUDENTS IN DETROIT

# BACK AUTO STRIKERS

## NOT LIBERAL POLITICIANS

### DEMAND :

- US OUT OF SE ASIA & MIDEAST!
- COPS AND TROOPS OUT OF THE GHETTO!
- END ATTACKS ON STUDENT MOVEMENT -
- DROP THE KENT STATE INDICTMENTS!

—auto worker writes:—

Dear students,

My name is Eddy Andrews, and I work at the Fleetwood G.M. plant in Detroit. For those of you who might not know what goes on in a plant, well let me lay it on the line to you as to what type of working conditions we face. 1) There is the racism. The employers separate the ethnic groups so that they cannot unite and fight back against management. 2) If management knows that you are the type of guy that speaks out and doesn't go along with them, you are classified as a trouble maker and are constantly harrassed, and they are waiting for you to make a mistake so they can fire you. 3) We are forced to work overtime, after completing eight hours work, without the consent of the workers. General Motors does not own us, we only work for them, and after eight hours let's call it a day. Our wages at GM

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# THE GREAT BOSTON BANK ROBBERY

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## or: cops and press slander radicals

On Sept. 23 five people robbed a bank in Brighton, Mass. of \$26,000, killing a cop. For the next few weeks the major headlines in the Boston press was that five 'radicals and revolutionaries' had robbed the bank. The suspects named were Stanley Bond, Robert Valeri, William Gilday, and two former Brandeis University students, Kathy Power and Susan Saxe. The following is part of a leaflet passed out to thousands of workers and students around the Boston area:

----We think that four main lies are being put forward by the newspapers and the government concerning the robbery:

LIE #1: The most important thing going on today is a bank robbery.

350,000 auto workers are out on strike for decent wages and better conditions, ghetto rebellions demanding more jobs and better housing are raging, from New Bedford, Mass. to Augusta, and the Vietnamese working people are waging a fight to get the U.S. out of their coun-

try. The government and the press want to take the focus off the ways American people are being shafted and are fighting back.

LIE #2: The suspects have been proven beyond doubt to have robbed the bank.

There hasn't been one piece of concrete evidence that indicates that any of the suspects actually robbed the bank. The press attempts to give the impression that a confession by Valeri started the police on a search for the four original suspects, and now Fleischer; a confession, incidentally, which has never been printed or even quoted from.

LIE #3: All of the suspects are radicals and revolutionaries.

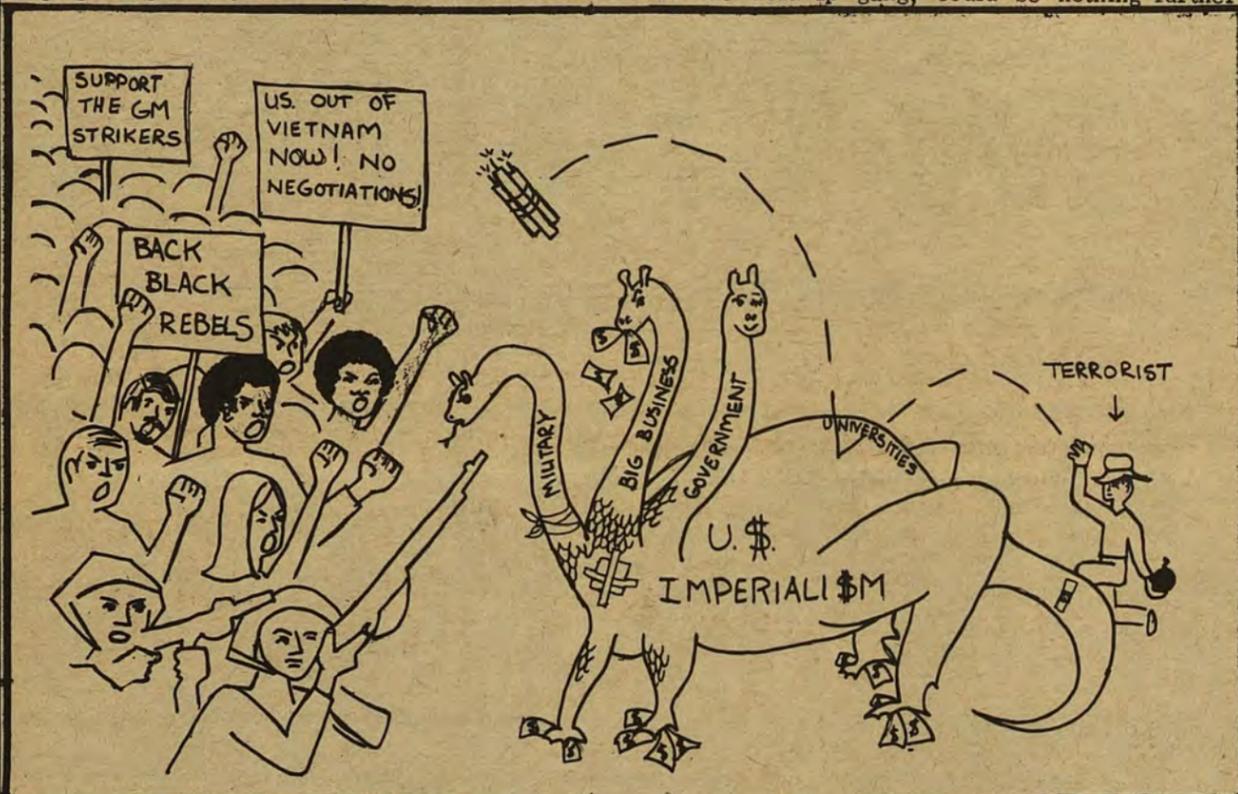
Based on a tremendous amount of evidence, Stanley Bond, referred to by the press as the leader of the hold-up gang, could be nothing further

from a revolutionary -- HE'S A COP, FBI agent Gordon Hall stated in the Herald Traveler (10/3) that Bond was a committed revolutionary while serving time in Walpole prison for armed robbery. Yet somehow when Bond emerged from prison onto the Brandeis campus he was staunchly in favor of the war and racism. Even then he was trying to sound people out about terrorism. Bond was paroled early and brought to Brandeis on a program associated with the Lemberg Center for the Study of Violence, which develops programs for police departments on how to best suppress ghetto rebellions and student unrest. AFTER REPEATEDLY COMING TO S.D.S. MEETINGS WITH THE SOLE PURPOSE OF DISRUPTING THEM, BOND WAS PHYSICALLY EXCLUDED FROM FURTHER MEETINGS FOR BEING A COP. While Brandeis SDS was building a campaign to shut down the Lemberg Center, an institution which attacks most American people, Bond brought people he met to have dinner with John Spiegel, the director of the center.

When the suspects were first named, Police Commissioner McNamara said that although he had no documented proof, 'When a group springs up from our colleges that robs banks, it's revolutionary.' Not too many people were taken in by that one, so the next day McNamara changed it to the story that they're all part of a national revolutionary group, but he won't divulge the name. Conveniently for McNamara, two days later a letter was produced written by Bond stating that he is the commander-in-chief of the Revolutionary Action Force - East. Bond later denied that he's the commander of this previously unheard of group, but only a 'combat committee member'!!!! Perhaps McNamara is the real commander-in-chief of this 'revolutionary' group. No sooner is Bond in jail facing charges of murder than he's engaged in writing a book about his life in 'crime and revolution'. Most prisoners are denied such privileges.

Let's look at Valeri next, the supposed commander-in-chief of the RAF-West. Six hours after being apprehended Valeri is alleged to have

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Terrorism sabotages a movement that can win.

## HARVARD U. - C.F.I.A. BOMBED - BUT

# TERRORISM WON'T STOP IMPERIALISM

Early in the morning of October 14, a bomb exploded at the Center for International Affairs (CFIA) at Harvard University. The CFIA is an institution which engages in social science research and training designed to suppress anti-imperialist peoples' movements all over the world. No one was in the building at the time; the physical damage done was minimal -- about \$20,000 worth, according to CFIA officials. This incident was the latest in a series of bombings which have occurred on campuses throughout the country, and which have made front-page headlines in countless daily newspapers. In this instance, as in others like it, the press has tried to link SDS with terrorist activities.

### WHY S.D.S. OPPOSES TERRORISM

SDS is absolutely opposed to terror tactics like the ones played up in the papers. The CFIA is still alive and well at Harvard, despite the bomb. It may seem at first glance that bombing the CFIA is an honest attempt on someone's part to stop a tool of American imperialism from functioning. But let's look at it more closely.

These bombers are not 'revolutionaries'; in fact, their actions do little or nothing to attack the institutions they are directed against. Not only do they fail to win students to seeing that research like the CFIA must be stopped, not only do they fail to hurt their supposed targets, but their actions are a vicious attack on the people.

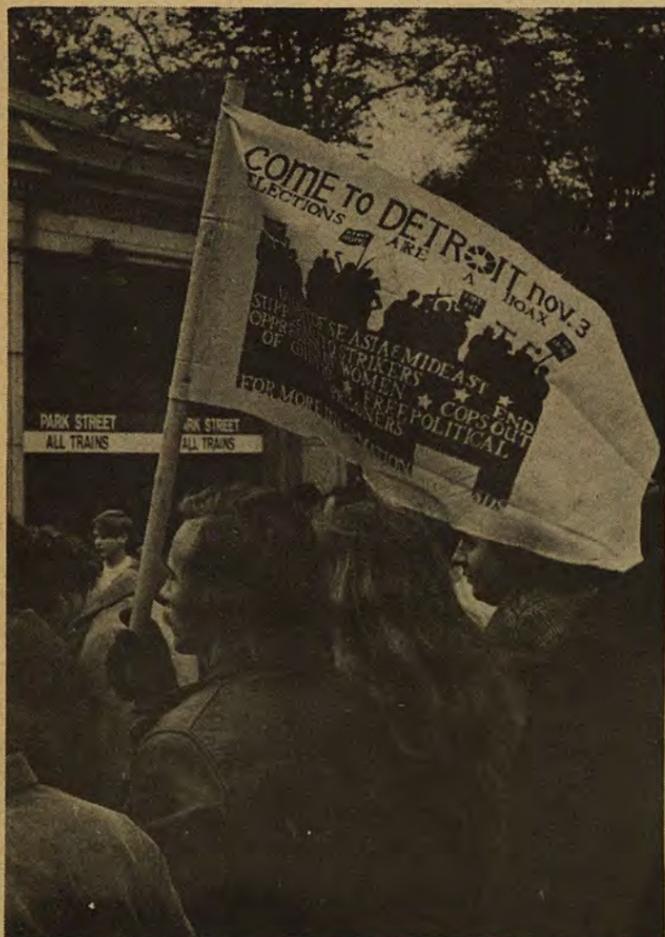
Acts of terrorism such as the CFIA bombing really slander the workers and students of this country. What the bombers are saying is that you can't rely on the people to fight back together against the kinds of oppression they face every day; you have to 'do it yourself', because you're the only one 'enlightened' enough to see that things have to change. But the people of New Bedford, Mass., who burned the Model Cities office, set up barricades and fought the cops for days in one of the most militant of ghetto rebellions this summer; 350,000 GM workers who are on strike against the largest and richest corporation in the world; and thousands of students who burned ROTC buildings and fought the National Guard in mass anti-war actions last spring

show that these terrorists are dead wrong about the fighting spirit of people militantly united against the few rich men who run this country for their own profit.

When you don't have the perspective of relying on the people, you often end up attacking them. It is the people who are hurt by terrorists, not the big businessmen whose interests the CFIA serves. Bombs are a real physical threat to the lives of people who work in buildings like the CFIA: janitors and secretaries, who work under bad conditions for lousy pay and who have a real interest in fighting their university bosses for better lives. In many cases terrorists very directly attack working people and students. Secretaries were attacked and beaten in a Weatherman raid on the CFIA last fall; a grad student was killed by a bomb at the University of Wisconsin this summer. Is this any way to 'serve the people'? We think it sounds more like 'fight the people'.

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# MARCH ELECTION DAY



Now there are over 350,000 auto workers on strike against GM -- the largest corporation in the world. They are demanding better wages and safer working conditions. The auto workers want to fight to win, but they're having a hard time doing it. The press and the union leadership have tried in every way possible to squelch the militancy and solidarity of the strikers. These workers are up against the richest bosses in the world; they can really use our support. An SDS demonstration of thousands of students and workers at GM's national headquarters will show that support; it will also show the ruling class that it can't isolate workers from students. Detroit SDS has reported that a lot of strikers are excited about the idea of Nov. 3; lots of students are too. Going to Detroit will give us a 'chance to talk with auto workers; to find out what job conditions are like, and how the strike is going. The GM strikers, students who battled the National Guard at Kent State and other campuses in anti-war struggles last spring, Vietnamese workers and peasants, and ghetto rebels in the U.S. are all fighting the same enemy -- the U.S. ruling class. It's essential that we get together. The Nov. 3 demonstrations will be a big step forward towards that goal of a worker-student alliance.

forward the necessity for mass struggle against the warmakers. The way to end the war is to make it harder for the big bosses to continue it. That's what students waging militant fights to kick ROTC off campus, to stop war-related research, and to end war recruiting are doing. That's what a fighting worker-student alliance can do. Students and workers together can build a really militant movement against imperialism, racism, and sexism. And that's the only kind of movement that will ever turn things around in this country. Nov. 3 is only a beginning -- but what a way to get the ball rolling!

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The November 3rd SDS demonstrations in Detroit and San Jose could be the beginning of a fighting movement which really unites workers and students. For over a year SDS has been putting forward the idea of a worker-student alliance. We believe that students who want to see basic change in the system and workers, who are most hurt by that system, have an interest in uniting. When GE workers went on strike last year, SDS called a demonstration at the Labor Department to which thousands came. We kicked GE recruiters off campuses, and have built alliances with campus workers to fight the universities' racist and chauvinist pay differentials and hiring practices.

### G.M. -- WARMAKER

At the demonstrations we will say that the war in Vietnam serves the interests of U.S. business. It makes more sense to have an anti-war demonstration at GM's headquarters than at the White House. The 'free world' which Nixon claims to be protecting with U.S. troops is always defined as the places where big corporations like GM are free to hunt for resources, cheap labor, and investment 'opportunities'. That's why South Africa - where GM has been since 1926 - is part of the 'free world'.

### DON'T VOTE -- FIGHT AGAINST THE WAR!

This demonstration won't be an expression of 'moral indignation' against the war; it will put

## DETROIT

What strikes you most about Detroit is that it really is 'Motor City'. Approaching the city by expressway, you see smokestacks pouring clouds of smoke into the air. The River Rouge Ford plant alone employs 40,000 workers. The city is criss-crossed by railroad tracks carrying auto parts from plant to plant. There are nearly 300,000 auto workers in the Detroit area. Most of the remaining industries, like rubber and steel, are auto-related. Detroit city is over 40% black. In 1967 it was the scene of the most ferocious armed battle against the ruling class in this country in decades. Thousands of black working people fought the National Guard and Army for a week, and burned down dozens of square blocks of slum housing and greedy businesses.

This year there have been wildcats and walk-outs at a number of plants. One worker who was unjustly suspended by his foreman returned to the plant and shot the foreman dead. In Warren, a Detroit suburb, the union leadership told several hundred GM technicians to go back to work. The membership voted nearly unanimously to prevent them from returning and set up a militant picket line. Several arrests were made when the cops tried to break up the picket line. At the Ypsilanti plant, the workers blocked the foremen from coming out for several hours.

It's clear that workers in Detroit have a lot to

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be angry about, and are really fighting back. An SDS demonstration that says the elections are a hoax, that puts forth support for the auto strike, and demands US out of Southeast Asia -- No negotiations and cops out of the ghettos, can win the support of thousands in Detroit. A big demonstration here will be a tremendous blow to GM and the other big corporations that run this country, and a huge step forward for a worker-student alliance that can really beat them.

## SAN JOSE

The SDS Western Regional Conference, held September 21-22, has decided to hold the west coast portion of the November 3rd national demonstration in San Jose, California. The demands are: 1. Support the auto strike! 2. Support the Palestinian peoples' struggle -- no US aid to Israel or Jordan! 3. Cops out of the ghettos and barrios! 4. US out of Southeast Asia! 5. Elections are a hoax!

The largest concentration of auto workers in northern California is in the San Jose area. The largest GM plant in nearby Fremont has been on strike since September 14. Striking auto workers will speak at the rally and we will picket an Oldsmobile dealer in San Jose in support of the strikers. The demonstration will begin at St. James Park, across from the Superior Court building, which houses super-racist Judge Chargin, who once told an 18-year old Chicano youth, 'You are worse than an animal,' and 'Maybe Hitler was right.'

The demonstration will march to an Oldsmobile dealer, where we will picket, and talk to people about boycotting GM. A big demonstration in San Jose will show that students and workers all over the country are behind the auto strikers and all workers, from Vietnam to US ghettos, in their united and militant fights against the rich businessmen at the top.

# Workers Defy Union Sellouts

For six weeks the GM workers have been out on strike, but if you read the papers you'd never know they were still out. When anything about the strike is printed it either ignores the real situation among rank and file workers or prints lies -- e.g., that this is an inflationary strike. (The fact is that since 1965 auto workers' wages have risen 14% while prices increased 24%.)

The same anger that led the workers to fight very militantly at the beginning of the strike exists, but since workers have been trying to find jobs to support their families (strike funds are from \$30 to \$40 a week) they have been separated from each other and therefore not able to continue these struggles as militantly. The reason they're fighting is because of the low wages they receive and bad working conditions they undergo in auto factories.

The 27,000 local grievances before the UAW are evidence of rank and file discontent. Union leaders aren't trying to settle these local demands, and after the national demands have been met many plants will stay out (against UAW leadership) over these local issues. The union leaders not only do not represent the rank and file, but also are constantly trying to cool down workers' militancy. The New York Times of October 18 talks about classes the UAW is holding which on the surface educate the workers as to recent developments in the strike, but in reality are used to pacify them:

'Stopping rumors and smoothing over controversies are other aims of the program.

Last week, some of the strikers were angry because of news that thousands of GM workers at a Detroit diesel engine plant were returning to work, although the main strike continues. The officers had to try to sell (RE: sell-out -- the workers saw that's what dividing them means -- ed.) the union's position that the diesel workers were needed to keep companies that GM supplies going.

SOMETIMES THE STRIKERS ARE NOT SATISFIED EVEN WITH THE UNION ANSWERS. THE LOCAL NEGOTIATIONS ABOUT PLANT LEVEL PROBLEMS ARE A BIG ISSUE HERE (Mich. -ed.), BUT ALL THAT THE LOCAL BARGAINERS TELL THEM IS THAT THEY ARE MAKING PROGRESS. THEY DO NOT WANT TO GIVE EVEN THE UNION MEMBERS THE DETAILS UNTIL A COMPLETE SETTLEMENT IS REACHED.

The union instructors also emphasize that the workers may not win all they hope to win. At a meeting this week, for example, the workers told Mr. Sells that they thought voluntary overtime was a major issue. He asked the strikers how long they would be willing to stay out after they had won a pay increase, to get voluntary overtime. 'Think about it,' he said, 'it's not going to be a perfect package.'

The emphasis at this week's lesson was on political action... to convince the workers that they should vote...'

Even before the strike began on September 14, plants across the country and Canada had wildcatted. Rank and file demonstrated they were more willing to fight the company than the union leaders were.

\* In St. Theresa, Quebec, on Sept. 11, 700 workers left the plant, scraped the paint off and smashed the windows of new scab models in the parking lot, then gathered outside the gates. They stayed out all night, and the next morning batted the roads to stop trucks from delivering the cars which would be sold during the strike. Some trucks got through, however, but workers found the cars they were carrying and gave them the same treatment as the other scab cars.

Meanwhile the UAW was pressuring these workers to go back to work by the 14th. They tried to separate militant workers from the rest by saying that if they didn't go back no one would get strike funds. Since they didn't return to work some militants were suspended (during the strike they'll receive no union funds) as examples

of what happens when you go against union leadership.

\* On the first day of the strike, Sept. 15, 1000 black, white and Chicano workers, both men and women from GM's Fremont Assembly Plant held a militant rally outside the plant. When a truck tried to leave the plant during the rally 500 workers forced it back inside the gates. They were really determined to stop the plant from operating and attacked anything and anybody who was helping the company operate. A garbage truck tried to leave the plant -- the workers stopped the truck, pulled out the garbage and started a huge bonfire. Security and patrol guards tried to stop this, but were chased out of the area, and the windows on their cars smashed.

The workers also stopped fire trucks and fought cops. They claimed the whole area around the plant as their own when they chased the company guard from his office. People hung around hoping the foremen, huddled inside the plant, would be stupid enough to come out. When they didn't by 3 a.m., the crowd left.

This was an action by rank and file workers, which union leaders would like to ignore. These officials blamed the 'riot' on 'Berkeley radicals'.

(Not more than 1 out of 200 of the participants were students.) Saying this implies there were no real gripes workers could fight around -- that outside agitators manufactured problems and led people in the struggle. The union bosses use

this idea to cover over the fact that there are real problems they won't fight, but that workers are willing to attack head-on. All around the country, union heads are up against rank and file members. In Atlanta, Georgia, Ford workers have been fighting union goons who have been stopping them from talking to people selling Progressive Labor Party's 'Challenge' (a revolutionary communist newspaper). Since people selling the paper were arrested, workers are bringing Challenge into the plant. This local might go on strike during the national strike against GM -- but are fighting union officials who don't want them to.

\* Michigan: Union leaders told 100 GM technicians to go back to work. Membership voted nearly unanimously not to return and set up a militant picket line. Several arrests were made when cops tried to break up the line. At the Nova plant in Ypsilant, Mich., strikers were arrested after they blocked management from entering when they refused to show their passes. The day before, they had locked supervisors in the plant, and tried to block a trainload of cars from coming out of the plant.

## WOODCOCK VISITS HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL



Woodcock (left) and Harvard Business School bigwigs -- why are these men smiling?

On October 16 Leonard Woodcock, president of the United Auto Workers, spoke behind closed doors to an audience of Harvard Business School students, many of whom paid \$5 for the privilege.

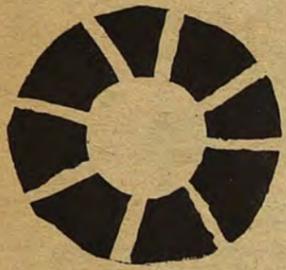
WOODCOCK ON G.M.'s RACIST AND MALE CHAUVINIST PRACTICES: Not a word.

WOODCOCK ON INFLATION: He said that the purpose of a cost-of-living clause in a contract is to guarantee that wages and prices stay in line. Therefore, he continued, if the cost of living goes down, workers' wages should also go down!

WOODCOCK ON SPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT: Why not strike Ford and Chrysler as well as GM, thus exerting real pressure to force a quick settlement? Striking Chrysler would 'exploit our workers there' and hitting Ford would 'cause them too much trouble' since they've been struck so often in the past!

WOODCOCK ON MILITANT WORKERS: Just before his personal bodyguard whisked him off for sherry with the Business School bigwigs, Woodcock was cornered by some SDS members and asked what he thought of the rebellion at the GM plant in San Jose, Calif. He grunted, 'Fantasy and romanticism. This isn't a revolution; it's a plain old strike!' (What this disgusting anti-worker red bait says is that workers would never fight back. Auto workers from San Jose to Quebec are proving this a lie -- much to the chagrin of both GM and Leonard Woodcock.)

WOODCOCK ON DIRT (OR VICE VERSA...): The main reason, he says, that American plants are so dirty is that 'Americans are a filthy people' (though he admitted that there might be other factors).



# BOYCOTT GM!

SDS has been organizing a national boycott and demonstrations against G.M. products by picketing G.M. dealerships and GMAC (the loanshark branch of G.M.) and raising food and money to give directly to the striking workers.

Detroit SDS picketing for a boycott was so successful at a large G.M. dealership that the bosses papered the showroom windows and called in G.M. salesmen from other parts of the city to pass as customers to discourage SDS members.

In Boston, SDS held a joint march with the communist Progressive Labor Party and a strike support committee of workers. On Saturday, October 17, about 250 people marched from the Boston Common to a Chevy dealership. The used car lot and a showroom were empty. The marchers had shut down the dealership on one of its most important selling days.

At Johns Hopkins in Maryland students have been supporting a strike of bakery workers demanding union recognition and an end to racist pay differentials in addition to the UAW strike. They've been raising these strike issues in campus rallies and in the city.

In Chicago, SDS was so successful in convincing people not to buy cars that the dealer had one SDS'er beaten up. SDS has redoubled its efforts to close down that dealership.

In San Jose, California, the union officials attacked the Progressive Labor Party on television.

The sellout union officials said PL was collecting money for itself. The PL response was to go to the station along with some workers and demand time to refute the hack's lies. On television, PL said it had given the money directly to rank-and-file workers and not to the union.

## LA COPS=GM GOONS

On Friday, Sept. 25, seven California chapters of SDS demonstrated outside the General Motors Acceptance Corporation on Wilshire Boulevard in Los Angeles in support of the striking auto workers. SDS wanted to demonstrate the importance of allying with workers in the ongoing fight against imperialism, exploitation, and racism.

Carrying such signs as 'Same enemy, same fight -- workers and students must unite', 'GM is a war profiteer', 'End racist harassment', 'Stop speed-up', etc., approximately 50 SDSers and members of Progressive Labor Party (a revolutionary Communist party) picketed for two hours.

The bosses were frightened by this show of support and called in the cops. Hundreds of photos of the picketeers were taken by plainclothes pigs. Slogans were chanted by SDSers with the aid of a bullhorn. Later a rally was held where a UCLA SDS member told about the aims and purposes of SDS in supporting the auto strike.

A GM worker and member of PL started to tell about the exploiting policies of General Motors when the cops moved in. The two speakers and two other men who had used the microphone to chant slogans were handcuffed and dragged off to police headquarters. (The cops completely

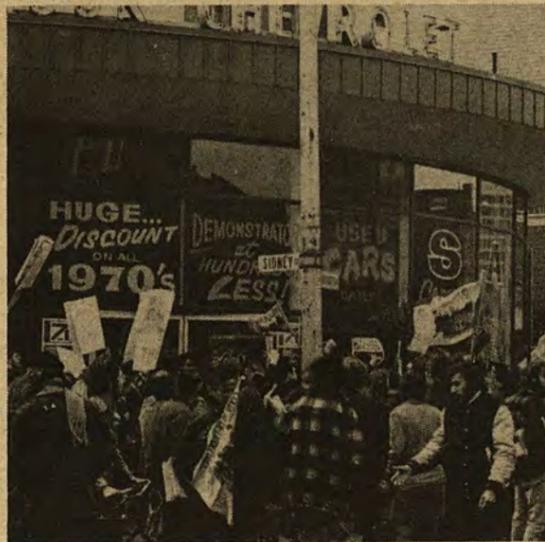
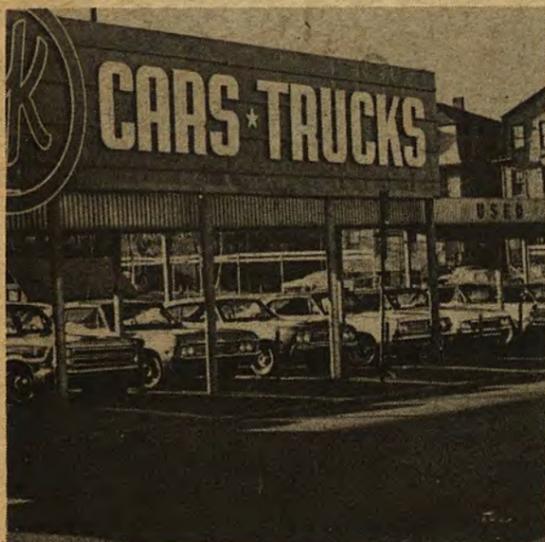
ignored three women who had also used the microphone, thus demonstrating the chauvinist attitude towards politically active women.)

Such a vile reaction on the part of the GM bosses and the pigs against those who help to expose their exploitative policies is not surprising. GM is the largest corporation in the United States, and an owner of plants in South Africa, South America, Europe and Asia, but it still does not have the power to withstand the just wrath of its exploited workers. Students have joined the workers in their struggles for better working conditions and wages, and have been welcomed by increasingly militant workers' groups. The bosses fear the power this sort of worker-student alliance can have against the system and against the imperialist war in Southeast Asia.

Not only are bosses afraid of the worker-student alliance, but so are the UAW union leaders who have sold out the auto workers in the past and work with the bosses against the needs of the worker. A union leader said immediately after the rally that workers do not need the support of SDS. He was too late -- workers and students have already seen the importance of uniting.

Ruth Kennedy, UCLA SDS

## One Boston Chevy Dealer...



BEFORE... DURING... AFTER...

... SDS, PLP March



# Workers, Students Demand "COPS OUT OF HOSPITALS"

During the past several months in Chicago, a new organization called the Coalition Against Racist Medical Care has been being built. It is a coalition of black, white and latin workers, welfare clients, students, and some professionals united to fight racist medical care and racist employment practices in hospitals. Members of SDS have been active in the coalition from its beginning.

CARMC was formed in reaction to the horrible conditions working people (especially black people) must face in Chicago hospitals. For example, this summer a black man bled to death outside of Billings Hospital (OWNED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO) waiting to be shipped to another hospital because he didn't have 'adequate insurance'. Clarence McKnight, a black U of Chicago cafeteria worker, suffered severe chest pains and was rushed to Billings Hospital. He had adequate insurance, but his own bosses' hospital turned him away because there 'weren't enough beds'. Actually there were 43 beds empty at the time! McKnight died two days later at another hospital.

## HOSPITAL GUARD SHOTS BLACK WORKER

At Woodlawn Hospital, near Billings, Dennis Gray, a black worker, was shot by a hospital guard when he dared to demand decent medical treatment for his five year old son. (Gray was unarmed.) The doctor gave them a prescription without even looking at his son's swollen face. Dennis Gray died five days later. THEN THE HOSPITAL HAD THE AUDACITY TO CHARGE HIS FAMILY FOR THE FIVE DAYS HE SPENT IN THE INTENSIVE CARE UNIT! Mrs. Gray is now on the CARMC steering committee. Incidents like these happen all the time and always will, until we build a movement strong enough to stop them.

Also, recently Billings Hospital raised its emergency room fee to \$15.00 (\$17.50 for children!). No emergency fee, no treatment! This is an obvious attack on poor and working class people.

CARMC has been demonstrating at Woodlawn and Billings Hospitals and leafletting in the immediate communities. At one demonstration nine people were arrested. Our demonstrations have been

small, but they have been militant. People everywhere know who we are.

## EMERGENCY ROOM PATROLS FORMED

Now we've decided to pick up speed in our fight. We are now canvassing the neighborhoods, and talking to hospital workers. We are talking to workers who are on strike at Chicago Wesleyan Memorial Hospital. It started as a wildcat strike and has been growing. Billings has just begun firing 'troublemaker' workers, and CARMC will work around that. Research is being done meanwhile into other Chicago hospitals.

Soon we will have buttons and a newsletter. By October 18 or so we will set up emergency room patrols in which volunteers will wait in emergency rooms at Billings and Woodlawn to:

- insure prompt medical attention
- insure that all patients get seen with or without insurance, with or without the emergency room fee
- challenge police harassment.

CARMC is really moving. Reaction to it is tremendous. People are enthusiastic, and the hospital administrators are scared. They guard their doors and police show up in numbers at every demonstration. The hospital administrators are constantly sending out letters and newspaper articles denying our charges! Also, Mrs. Gray informed us that Woodlawn has decided not to bill her!

We are building CARMC as something that will last and grow. We need money, so please send donations. For that, and other information, call (312) 288-3009.

**COPS OUT OF THE HOSPITAL!  
NO EMERGENCY ROOM FEE!  
FIGHT RACIST HOSPITAL EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES!  
FIGHT RACIST MEDICAL CARE!**

Allen Ascher, CARMC Steering Committee



After CARMC members talked to hospital workers many of them joined us as we marched upstairs to confront the chief administrator.

NEW YORK

## committee exposes chauvinism at columbia

The Committee on Male Chauvinism is a committee made up of men and women. It's a completely open group. Anyone who wants to fight against male chauvinist ideas and practices can come to contribute ideas and work with others. We saw that a group like this was crucial not only to insuring that chauvinism would be fought within and without SDS, but also to bringing women into political work. Women must be encouraged to take leadership in struggles instead of the common routine of women being strong supporters but basically following men's lead. The group wants to make sure that women's opinions are actively solicited in all areas at all discussions, to avoid the trap of women being competent only in discussing women's issues within a women's caucus.

We're making a strong attempt to correct chauvinist attitudes within SDS at Columbia -- attitudes which have left most Barnard women out of political work on campus. But our work must be stepped up, because we're not dealing with a stagnant situation here. The university is actively indoctrinating students to accept women as passive objects totally dependent on men. What do students at Barnard orientation transfer luncheon hear? 'Take some advice, the dance tonight is

an open city-wide mixer and anyone can show up. There'll be a lot of teeny-boppers, and I know you don't want that. But Sunday night is the place to be. We've invited the best law, business and medical schools -- believe me, you'll meet an up-and-coming professional, not some young jerk.' In other words, not only shall women define themselves in terms of a man, but as Barnard students we must be elitist. Shun the thought of meeting someone not from our class or another elite school.

At Columbia the administration uses KCA night to ingratiate themselves with the students, at the expense of women. KCA is a series of skits put on by the various activities at Columbia. Each skit is a cruel degradation of women designed to play on the students' sexual frustrations and male chauvinist attitudes. A typically crude example of a 'funny' skit is one describing a 'do it yourself home abortion kit in your own clothes closet, complete with clothes-hanger', followed by the tune of 'Bloody Mary' played by the Columbia band. The Committee on Male Chauvinism leafletted the students as they entered KCA night and got a very favorable response

afterwards. Most students said they found it disgusting.

Members of the group want to further investigate both the psychological and economic means of oppression of women. We want to fight for adequate day care centers and decent abortion facilities for students, campus workers, and working class women in the community. We're forming a Radical Arts Troupe that will expose the many different facets of chauvinism and will perform at a teach-in on the question of women that is being planned. But the feeling is of the committee that the way to confront chauvinism is not to solely concern ourselves with women's issues, but to discuss and act upon the fact that women are not taking leadership in SDS. If SDS is to develop into a broad-based organization the question of involving numbers of women must be dealt with.

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### THOUSANDS VOTE IN STREETS MARCH AGAINST GM

# NOV. 3



On election day, Nov. 3rd, Students for a Democratic Society held demonstrations in Detroit and San Jose. The target of the demonstrations was General Motors, the world's largest corporation, policymaker for presidents and pentagons and a prime beneficiary of this government's racist suppression and exploitation of working people in this country and abroad.

What brought people to Detroit and San Jose was the conviction that the elections are a hoax—that real fights for change take place when people organize; on the picket line, in the ghettos, and in other countries where masses of working people are rising up against U.S. Business.

What brought people to Detroit and San Jose was the realization that the 350,000 auto workers are right to fight against killing speed-ups, poisonous fumes, shrinking wages, racist and sexist foremen and company hiring and firing practices, etc., and that these workers should be supported.

What brought people to Detroit and San Jose — auto workers, welfare mothers, grape strikers, college and high school students, men and women, chicano, black and white — was the understanding that the majority of people in this country have a common enemy, GM and other bosses — and must ally to fight that enemy.

Detroit, Nov. 2nd -- Those who could take the day off — about 500 of us — arrived a day early to begin building for the demonstration. At 5:00 a.m. we began arriving at the plants; River

Rouge, Mack Stamping, Highland Park Ford, and many others to hand out literature about the demonstration and sell New Left Notes, SDS's Newspaper and Challenge the Communist

Newspaper of the Progressive Labor Party. By 7:00 a.m. many of us were at the high schools talking with students. The same things happened in the afternoon. The response at the plants and the high schools was tremendous and some examples are given in this flyer. The only people who didn't want us there were the bosses. Henry Ford, the Mayor of Detroit, the Governor of Michigan and Leonard Woodcock (UAW sellout) were on tv and radio urging people to stay away from the demonstration. The Detroit police busted at least ten people on jaywalking charges while they were leafleting.

Nov. 3rd -- More people arrived in Detroit and continued the work begun the day before.

A rally was held at 1 p.m. at Wayne State University where workers, members of SDS, and a representative of the Canadian Party of Labour spoke. Right after the rally, 2,000 people linked arms and marched militantly to GM World Headquarters chanting: 'Power to the Working Class, Kick the Bosses in the Ass. Warmaker, Strikebreaker, Smash GM. Elections are a pack of lies, Don't Vote -- Organize. Men and Women, Black and White -- Workers and

Students Must Unite.' The feeling of unity among the marchers themselves and with the people of Detroit was such that no one inside or outside the march so much as tried to disrupt it.

When we got to GM's World Headquarters the cops marched out in formation to protect the building. No one was intimidated. The cops were forced to back into the street and let us rally on the steps and on the sidewalk in front.

## When Workers & Students Unite...



\* At the GM plant in Fremont, Cal., the scene of a rebellion on the first night of the GM strike, members of SDS were talking to a group of workers when a cop came up with a camera and started taking pictures. One worker said: 'If they take that literature away from you, it'll be too bad for that cop.'

\* At Mack Stamping Plant, five workers, after reading the literature being handed out, offered their homes to put up members of SDS for the night.

\* All over Detroit members of SDS and I L were invited to dinner at the homes of workers.

\* Detroit SDS made over 400 contacts with people interested in joining in struggle.

\* At Wayne State University campus workers had been wearing 'Come to Detroit Nov. 3rd' buttons for several weeks before. Once SDS was on Campus there many workers were wearing 'Ally with Campus Workers -- Smash University Bosses' buttons.

Auto worker addresses Detroit rally.

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San Jose, Nov. 3rd -- 400 students and workers demonstrated in San Jose today in support of the auto strike and to signify that the elections are a hoax.

To build for the demonstration, the day before, 25 people had leafleted at colleges, high schools, factories, and shopping centers all over San Jose. The response was terrific. Tuesday, up until the time of the demonstration, there were about 100 of us leafleting, and the response was even greater.

The people of San Jose felt the presence of SDS. The whole town knew about our demonstration; we made it clear that SDS wants to get together with working People, not attack them or bomb buildings, which is what the newspapers say we do.

The speakers at the pre-march rally included a member of the Democratic Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, black and chicano auto workers, a student from Berkeley who spoke about freeing all political prisoners, a student from San Francisco State who spoke about the need to fight male chauvinism, a member of the Progressive Labor Party, and a student from Salt Lake City who spoke about the importance of SDS and the need to fight against the war and not rely on liberal politicians.

The march began at a federal courthouse where a racist judge named Chargrin presides (Quote: 'Chicano people are less than animals' and 'Maybe Hitler was right,') and on over to Phelps Oldsmobile. A lot of people joined the march en route, despite the riot cops who were trailing us in paddy wagons.

After the rally at Phelps Oldsmobile we went out into the community to canvas food and money for GM workers. We brought back sackloads of food. The two auto workers who had spoken at the rally were exuberant.

At the end of the San Jose March to an Oldsmobile dealership marchers found a sign in the window: 'We are closed to allow employees time to vote.' It was the first time in anyone's memory when a San Jose GM dealer had closed down on Election Day. Lesson: When the struggle sharpens, Bosses start plugging electoral politics.

When we took the food out to the GM workers we ran into trouble with union goons. When the goons attacked, Eric King, construction worker and member of PLP, smashed one of them on the head with a picket sign. Hours later he was arrested by the cops. In this incident the union leadership sent their goons to intimidate us from supporting the workers just as the bosses sent their goons (the cops) to arrest ERic King. Both the union and the bosses fear a united effort.

\* SDSers passing a GM food stamp store stopped and sold 31 copies of Challenge, the Revolutionary Communist Newspaper, to about 35 workers there. They also got five names and addresses for the Detroit paper route.

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The demonstrations in Detroit and San Jose showed a step toward building a truly viable worker student alliance. An alliance based on common struggle. An alliance that will continue the fights begun in Detroit and San Jose. An alliance that denounces terrorist bombings which attack working people.

We don't intend to let bombings and bomb scares, which are in many instances organized by the cops, divide us from the people. At a time when more and more students are becoming disillusioned with SMC "elect-a-liberal" politics, we plan to increase our efforts to win students to allying with those working people who have the need, the power, and the will to fight.

We call for a step-up of the struggle in our shops, on our campuses, and in our communities. We call for a national boycott of GM products and dealerships and support for the rank and file of the UAW -- not union sellouts like Woodcock. We call for support for Ghetto rebellions, as just fights against oppressive conditions. U.S. out of S.E. Asia and the mideast! Free all political prisoners! End oppression of women!

Finally, we call for a National Convention of SDS to be held Dec. 27-30 in Chicago for an interchange of ideas to further the struggles we have begun.



HE'S A BOSS  
In front of GM's world headquarters in Detroit demonstrators confront an advertising executive for Chrysler. He'd been swearing at the marchers and trying to provoke something. Later that night he turned out to be the one person interviewed on TV. He claimed the marchers called him obscene four letter names. That's right BOSS.

## Cops & Guard Out of Cairo Henderson

The black workers of Cairo are fighting back! A year and a half ago the black residents organized an effective boycott of the white businesses which were exploiting the community. Stores were charging outrageous prices while the city, 50% black, suffered from an unemployment rate of 35%. The average income of the town is 4,000 dollars and the two main industries (one of which makes scab auto parts) hire discriminately and pay \$1.60 - 1.65 to start. There are people in Cairo who work on plantations and take home \$30 a week.

The businessmen of Cairo (led by the Illinois state attorney) responded to the boycott by stepping up harrassment and organizing themselves, cops, city officials and other flunkies into a KKK type organization called the "white hats." Since then there have been repeated incidents of white hats shooting up black housing projects. On Nov. 8 blacks burned down a lumber company owned by the leader of the white citizens committee. Police responded by firing into the Pyramid Courts public housing project. At least one black man, a G.I., was shot and is in critical condition. Only two weeks before, armed blacks pinned down the cops inside the police station for six hours. On prior occasions black workers have successfully defended themselves by driving the cops out of their community with sniper fire.

Henderson, North Carolina - Curfew is in effect and the National Guard has been called in. The Guard was brought there after a warehouse was burned following the gassing of a meeting of black workers by cops.

Rebellions like the ones in Cairo and Henderson are not the emotional outbursts of childlike savages. They are the just response of racially oppressed people to the material and social misery imposed on the ghettos. Workers and students, black and white, should support these heroic rebels as they lead the fight for all workers against the greedy businessmen, their politicians, and their cops.

SDS in Chicago and Southern Illinois University have already held rallies demanding: State police out of Cairo and support the Cairo and Henderson rebels!! Support for these rebellions must be organized in a mass way as for other fights against racist oppression.

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In their coverage of the CFIA bombing the Boston papers devoted lots of space to the fact that the day before the bombing, Harvard-Radcliffe SDS had distributed a leaflet attacking the CFIA and calling for a meeting to discuss possible action against it. The newspapers have never before found SDS leaflets so newsworthy. The implication of their articles was clearly that SDS was responsible for the bombing. WE THINK THE NEWSPAPERS HAVE A WELL-DEVELOPED STRATEGY OF MAKING ALL RADICALS LOOK LIKE TERRORISTS.

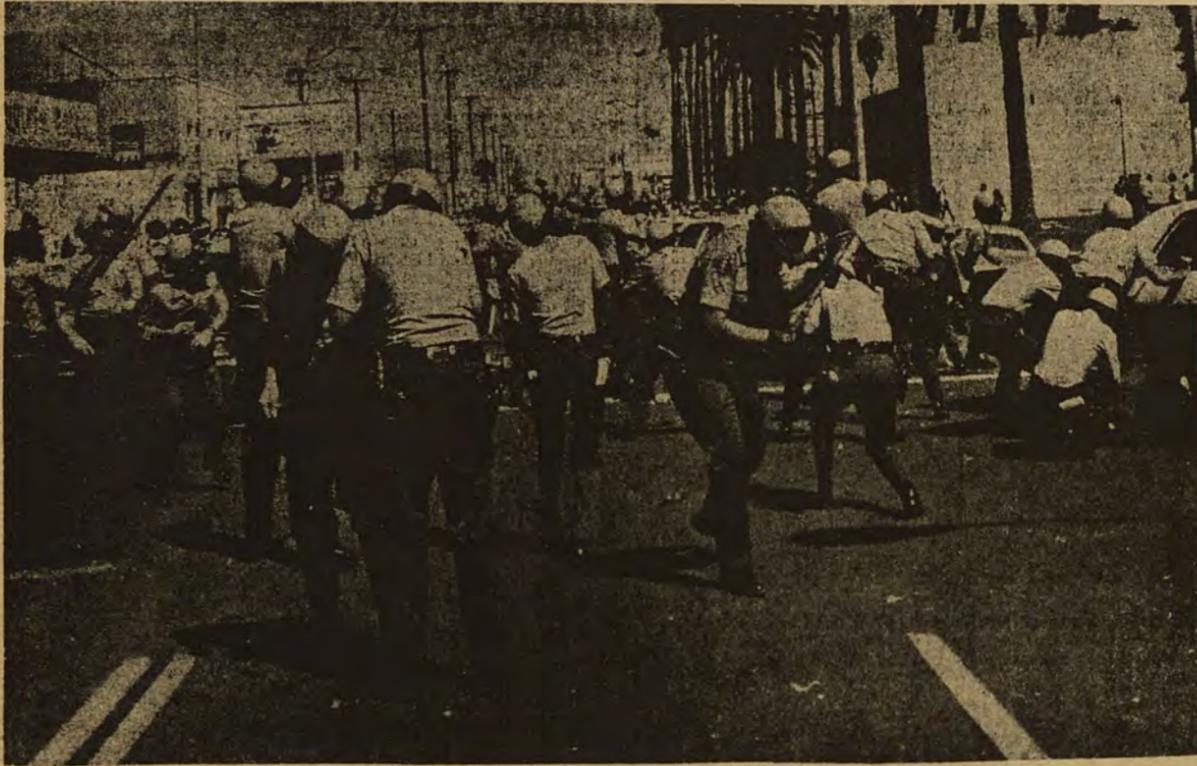
In fact, bombings play right into the hands of the big businessmen who run this country. The last thing the men at the top want to see is thousands of workers and students allied to fight against them. The fact that struggles like the auto strike and ghetto rebellions are growing larger, and that SDS is supporting them, scares the life out of these men. So it isn't just an accident that the newspapers have devoted so much space to the bombings and have tried to connect them to SDS. IT IS A CLEAR ATTEMPT TO ALIENATE WORKERS FROM STUDENTS, BY MAKING IT

SEEM AS THOUGH ALL RADICALS ARE DANGEROUS BOMB-THROWERS WHO HATE THE PEOPLE.

Now the papers know that SDS opposes individualistic terrorism. They also know that the Weathermen walked out of SDS over a year ago. They ignore these facts so consistently that it can't just be a mistake.

Terrorist actions give the government and the cops an excuse to attack and repress mass movements which really DO threaten them. That's why undercover cops are often used to organize terrorist activities. For example, last spring Time magazine ran the story of 'Tommy the Traveler', who claimed to be an SDS organizer in upstate New York. His 'organizing' consisted of getting two students to firebomb a building, for which they were arrested. Then he himself was accidentally arrested, and exposed as a police agent, who had been recommended for the job of professional provocateur by 'highly reliable sources.'

Historically, police provocateurs have been used to smash mass movements which threatened the economic interests of U.S. bosses. Strikers in Chicago in 1871 who were fighting for an eight-hour day saw their movement fail when a man who was probably a cop threw a bomb during a demonstration in Haymarket Square, and gave the police an excuse to arrest the entire strike leadership. The Molly Maguires, supposedly a terrorist group of Pennsylvania coal miners, was actually a creation of the government. In a Colorado miners' strike, in 1903, a Pinkerton detective was paid off by the Mine Owners' Association to cause a train wreck in order to discredit the union. This kind of cop activity has been a traditional bosses' weapon. Probably most of the recent bombers have not been cops -- but they might as well be. It's clear that, regardless of what terrorists think they are accomplishing, their actions objectively do not serve the interests of workers and students; they serve the oppressors. And that's the crucial question to ask: which side are they on -- that of the rulers, or that of the majority of people in this country and all over the world who are fighting against U.S. bosses for decent lives?



During the Chicano Moratorium in Los Angeles August 29.

## Mass Violence puts Cops on run

OPPOSITION TO TERRORISM DOESN'T  
EQUAL PACIFISM

Many people who condemn terrorism offer an alternative which basically says, 'Don't fight back.' But the rich rulers are obviously not going to give up their profits without a sharp fight; that's why they have the cops, the courts, and the army.

WE SHOULDN'T LOOK UPON BOMBING AS THE ONLY KIND OF VIOLENCE THERE IS. The actions of masses of people in militant fights against the ruling class involve violence, not because people are 'violence-prone', but because the rich businessmen won't give in without a fight. But the difference between mass violence and individualistic terrorism is the difference between winning and losing, between attacking the enemy and attacking the people.

SDS is trying to build a movement of students to ally with the struggles of workers in this country and all over against the rich bosses. These men know such an alliance is a tremendous threat to their interests. The men at the top can't hide rat-infested housing from the people who live in them, or low-paying and life-destroying jobs from the people who work at them, or lousy schools from the students who go to them, or an imperialist war from the GIs who are forced to fight in it. Workers and students all over the world will keep on fighting U.S. bosses, because that's the only way to win anything from them. The ruling class never gives anything away -- unless it is forced to. And masses of people engaged in real struggle -- like the New Bedford rebellion, like anti-ROTC campaigns, like the auto strike -- can win.

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## cops and press slander radicals

provided the names of four other suspects. On Thursday, at a preliminary hearing at which he is not required to say anything, he gave one hour of secret testimony. 'REVOLUTIONARY' TO POLICE INFORMER IN A MATTER OF DAYS!

Kathy Power, during the height of her 'revolutionary' career at Brandeis, was the head of a student committee which selected a new security director for the school. The guy they selected had previously been an FBI agent, and had spent the last three years in Thailand beefing up the Royal Thai police force for the U.S. State Dept. A strange selection for someone of such supposed anti-war convictions!

The National Strike Information Center, which several of the suspects were connected with, can hardly be considered radical, much less revolutionary. Its pacifist-liberal positions bear no resemblance to a fighting program designed to bring about basic social change.

THESE PEOPLE ARE WHO THE COPS AND THE BIG BUSINESSMEN WHO OWN THE PRESS WANT US TO BELIEVE ARE RADICALS.

LIE #4: Student radicals are individual terrorists and bank robbers.

The press and the cops are building this image in order to isolate serious radicals, who want to build struggles involving millions of people against the American government, from most people, particularly workers.

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# ADVANCE UNDER ATTACK — FIGHT THE KENT STATE INDICTMENTS!

Twenty-five indictments handed down at Kent State are a sharp attack on the student movement. Despite the moaning and mourning of college presidents and liberal politicians over the 'tragic' deaths of the four Kent State students, these indictments now expose the truth. The shootings and the indictments are no mistake -- it is an attempt by the government to stop the massive anti-ROTC struggle waged by Kent State students. In that fight hundreds of students fought the national guard (putting 58 out of commission) and burned the ROTC building to the ground. Students must respond to this attack by heating up the mass campaign to smash ROTC and demand U.S. Out of Southeast Asia Now!

These indictments are one part of the government's attempt to intimidate the anti-imperialist student movement. Just last week Attorney-General Mitchell, commenting on the crackdown by the Canadian government on militant workers and students, said that martial law 'can happen here'. This is obviously the government's way of feeling out public opinion on intensifying repression here. Also the recent wave of bombings are another attack on the student movement -- by trying to make it seem that radical students are mindless bomb-throwers who do more to attack the people than the government, an image which is built up by the press.

The government attacks us because we have built an effective and anti-imperialist movement on hundreds of campuses. They try to make us weak and isolated in our struggle. Students should realize that millions of Vietnamese workers and peasants, masses of black people in the ghetto, and 375,000 auto workers are fighting like hell against the same enemy we are. The bosses who run this country are shaking in their boots at the thought of all these groups of oppressed people joining in common battle. They are precisely scared of the kind of movement of thousands of workers and students coming to Detroit on Nov. 3 to support striking auto workers, back black rebels, and support the Vietnamese by demanding U.S. Out of Southeast Asia Now.

## detroit auto worker's letter ... (CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE)

are a little higher than at any of the other auto companies but not that much difference, considering the rises of the cost of living. I believe G.M. could and should be made to pay their assembly workers at least \$10,000 per year compared to \$7000 now, and even more according to each individual's job classification. After all, we are making millions for G.M. and they don't issue out bonuses to rank- and-file workers - only to management. It is vitally important for non-auto workers as well as auto workers to demonstrate and picket G.M., because not only auto workers are affected by this strike, also United Steel and United Rubber companies along with so many other companies which are laying off so many thousands until after the strike. It is urgently necessary for rank-and-file workers to unite, so as not to let local leaders and international leaders decide on whether or not we'll be sold out to G.M.

Another part of the demonstration is that the demands for the U.S. to get out of Vietnam now without negotiations. The war in Vietnam is not our fight it is just another means of bargaining away the poor people's lives and they are using working people against working people over there for their own interests - exploiting and destroying people with similar type conditions as ours.

I personally think that the mass demonstration announced for November 3, 1970 during election time is appropriate because we don't care about elections, because politicians never do workers any good. It will also have a tremendous affect if students, teachers, and workers participate, for it will show that the working class and students can come together to strike back at G.M. and large industries for their racist management. The demand for cops out of the ghetto is an important part of the demonstrations. The police commissioners are sending cops to the ghetto for several purposes, not to protect, but to murder poor people, incite bombings, and to arrest innocent individuals for crimes they never committed, in fact, anything that the police can charge to the minority groups they do - in order to keep racial imbalance. They allow dope into the ghetto so that we argue, fight, and destroy each other, so that we cannot organize to blast back at their trickery.

These are just a few injustices that should bring thousands to Detroit for the November 3 mass demonstration. I hope everyone comes, and I'm looking forward to meeting you personally.

Sincerely Yours,  
Eddy Andrews

# THE ELECTIONS ARE A HOAX!!