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U.S. Imperialism, Hands Off Iran!

The U.S. imperialists are carrying the severing of diplomatic relations "the use of military options." As top out new aggression against the Iranian people. Carter and his henchmen have unleashed a new round of threats and preparations for military adventures against Iran. The U.S. imperialists were badly shaken by the Iranian people's democratic revolution. Under the fascist shah, the infamous hangman and butcher of the Iranian people, Iran was a source of great profits for the imperialist exploiters, and the shah's regime was a policeman on behalf of U.S. imperialism in Oman and elsewhere. The U.S. imperialists are not reconciled to their expulsion from this "lost paradise." They are taking shameless and savage measures, including preparations for military aggression in their drive to strangle the Iranian people and reverse their revolutionary victories.

On April 7, President Carter announced a new series of measures to be added to U.S. imperialism's brutal blackmail against Iran. Carter ordered

with Iran and the immediate expulsion White House officials put it, "the use of the remaining 35 Iranian diplomats in the U.S. on 36 hours notice. The trade embargo against exports to Iran was made official and complete. Carter also ordered an inventory taken of the approximately \$8 billion of assets of the Iranian government deposited in U.S. banks. This measure was taken in preparation for the seizure of these assets in order to divide them up among those "holding grievances" against Iran, that is among the imperialist banks and others who "suffered damages" by the onslaught of the Iranian bargo. revolution. As well, Carter ordered a halt to the issuing and renewing of visas to Iranian nationals and added new measures to accelerate the mass deportations and persecution of Iranian students and others already in this

These steps were taken to let the world know that the U.S. government is freeing its hands in preparation for

of force" is possibly but not "necessarily the next step." These measures were also taken to place added pressure on U.S. imperialism's allied monopoly capitalist states of Western Europe and Japan to bring them into line with Carter's blockade against Iran. These states are heavily dependent on Iranian oil supplies, and the State Department is issuing open threats of either a naval blockade of Iran or the mining of Iranian ports if these states do not join the U.S. em-

These brutal and saber-rattling measures taken against the freedomloving people of Iran are a practical application of the warmongering "Carter doctrine." Last January, President Carter, in spelling out his policy on the Middle East and the Persian Gulf region, declared that: "an assault on the vital interests of the United States of America" in this region "will be repelled by any means necessary, including military force." And it is no secret that oil — the plunder of the rich Iranian and Middle East oil fields - is the number one "vital interest" Carter has in mind.

The earthshaking Iranian revolution

which toppled the fascist monarchy of the shah was a powerful blow to world capitalism and to U.S. imperialism in particular. The bloodsoaked regime of the shah was rigged up as a rabid guard dog over U.S. imperialism's oil and strategic positions in Iran and the Persian Gulf. And U.S. imperialism has not and never will be reconciled to this "assault" on these "vital interests" by the revolutionary struggle of the Iranian working class and people. David Rockefeller and the other U.S. oil billionaires and bankers are dreaming of their lost paradise which they had built in the Iran of the murderous shah. These bloodsuckers are feverishly striving to regain their lost neo-colonial positions. The U.S. imperialists are doing everything in their power to strangle the Iranian revolution. They are supporting the overthrown shah and propping up the remnants of SAVAK and the shah's regime who are engaging in assassinations of Iranian officials and plots against the Iran- proceeding almost everywhere. Aian people. It is also seeking to make a mong its provisions are the following: deal with the "moderates" and the It extends the length of jail sentences, government against the revolution. And it is utilizing external pressure ready among the longest and most barand military threats against the Iranian people. As Carter has declared, to protect its "vital interests" and to bring the Iranian people to their knees, U.S. imperialism will resort to "any means necessary, including military spiracy" as a catch-all charge. It con-

For the purpose of military blackmail and pressure, a massive U.S. laval force has been assembled off the ranian coast in the Arabian Sea. This with three aircraft carriers, amphibi- It contains major new laws for the supous landing craft, and 1,800 combat pression of militant or revolutionary ready marines armed with assault heli-speeches or publications. In general, it copters, tanks, etc. The outfitting of is a bill that shows how hollow the sothe 110,000 man "rapid deployment" called "American democracy" is. force is continuing with such preparafor a possible invasion in the Middle East, According to a top Pentagon official, "at Mr. Carter's request the military services are continuing to draw up contingency plans for various operations against Iran" - the mining or blockading of harbors, the seizure of oil fields, "punitive" carpet bombing,

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GO ALL OUT TO FIGHT U.S. IMPERIALISM!

The American people are going into action to fight U.S. imperialism. Antidraft fighters are marching head-on against the imperialist war preparations. Anti-nuclear activists are in battle against the imperialist nuclear energy program. The demonstrations and rallies, the mass marches and protests have spread all across the country. They herald the revolt that is growing deep among the American working class and people.

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"GRANDSON OF S-1"

The Kennedy "alternative" is nothing but the fascist program of Carter and Reagan

S1722, the so-called "grandson of S-1," is fascist legislation to suppress the mass movements and extend and develop the federal police force. The bill is being pushed through the Senate by Senator Ted Kennedy. It is a key part of the "Kennedy alternative." And it shows that this "alternative" is nothing but the same reactionary program as that of Carter and

S1722 is entitled "the Criminal Code Reform Act of 1979." Its pretext is that it systematizes and standardizes and combines it into one code federal laws that are presently scattered over many different bills. But under the cover of "reform," it is a bill to push forward the fascization of society. It radically revises and toughens the existing laws. It dramatically extends federal jurisdiction and would require a big expansion of the federal police forces. At the same time, it is openly put forward as the model for the revision of the state criminal codes now although U.S. jail sentences are albaric in the world. It develops sweeping new conspiracy laws and laws for the suppression of organizations, thus reviving one of the pet projects of Nixon's administration of using "contains provisions to repress militant strikes by bringing them under severe federal extortion laws. It strengthens present laws dealing with the suppression of the anti-draft, anti-nuclear and huge flotilla goes far beyond U.S. im- GI movements. It legalizes preventive perialism's ordinary "gunboat diplo- detention of those who might "posmacy" in that it includes 25 warships sibly" commit a crime in the future.

This bill was trumpeted as retions as painting tanks sand-colored form," but all its "reform" features are absolute rubbish. It developed broad conspiracy laws allegedly to ease the prosecution of corporations defrauding the consumer or producing dangerous products. But the bill has been amended to exclude corporate crime, while the broad conspiracy section is otherwise maintained. It is supposed to standardize federal law, but it does this by making the laws so general that the police have legal power to do as they please. Cosmetic changes have been made in the face of the exposure of this bill. Thus "preventive detention" provisions of the bill have temporarily been allegedly dropped but replaced by provisions allowing the police to hold suspects prior to trial without bail, that is, preventive detention in deed. The death penalty has been removed from the bill only to appear in a companion bill as part of a Senate deal. A number of minor amendments have been tacked on to the bill. But they neither change anything substantial, nor is there any guarantee that further amendments will not be made on the Senate floor. Indeed, the history of such bills as the "Labor Reform Act of 1977" shows that the most reactionary provisions of this bill were added precisely as amendments during the debate on the floor. Besides changes in the debute in the House and Senate, the bill can also receive more reactionary features in the House-Senate conference commit-

This bill is being pushed by Senator Ted Kennedy in conjunction with notorious Dixiecrats. Today Ted Kennedy is running against Carter in the presidential primaries. In his campaign he is presenting himself as the "liberal" alternative to Carter. He is being supported by the "left-wing" of the Democratic Party, by various social-democratic labor hacks such as Doug Fraser, President of the United Auto Workers and William Winpisinger, President of the International Association of Machinists and by other leading lights of social-democracy, such as Michael Harrington of the "Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee." The "left-wing" of the Democratic Party is trying to infiltrate the mass movements against the draft, and against the nuclear energy program and to put itself forward as the alleged voice of "labor" due to its influence with the top labor hacks. They fight against the issues of opposition to imperialism and war preparations being raised in these movements and they seek to subvert and liquidate them. The support of this "left-wing" of the Democratic Party and of the social-democrats for Kennedy and their quiet support for S-1722 show that these worthies are nothing but concealed fascists out to suppress the mass movement. They are for strengthening the police repression of the movement, even as they smile and bow to the masses. The social-democrats in particular

love to prate on about their "demo-

cratic socialism." They are opposed to the rule of the working class because they allege that it is "undemocratic." On this basis they rant and rave against Marxism-Leninism and the dictatorship of the proletariat, which provide genuine democracy for the working masses and an iron rule over the tiny minority of exploiters. They are horrified of the development of revolutionary sentiment among the masses. They paint pictures of a pure democracy, equally fair for workers and capitalists alike, a state that allegedly is neutral between the exploited and the exploiters. But all these fancy fantasies are nothing but an embellishment of the present growing fascism. The reality of their so-called democracy can be seen in their support for the fascist bill S-1722. The reality of their socalled socialism can be seen in their support for mandatory wage price controls, which are nothing but open government strikebreaking to cut the workers' wages. Since this is done directly by the state instead of by the individual capitalists these socialdemocrats call it "socialism" and a "planned economy." True socialism and genuine democracy for the working masses can only be achieved by rule of the working class and the overthrow and suppression of the exploiters. It can only be achieved by developing the mass initiative of the workers and by pushing forward the revolutionary movement, not by developing a giant bureaucracy and police force to suppress the workers. The workers' movement and the other revolutionary mass movements will develop despite these new fascist laws, but they will develop in bitter struggle against both the capitalist reaction and the social-democratic lackeys of reaction who prettify state capitalism and fascism as "democratic socialism."

CARTER'S NEW "ANTI-INFLATION MEASURES":

Squeezing the poor for the profits of the war merchants, the oil monopolies and the banks

the roof. The Consumer Price Index is soaring apward at a record pace with 18% annual increases in January and February and marking more than a 15% increase over the last 12 months. The prices of necessities are skyrocketing even faster with the 70% increase in the price of gasoline over the last year and the astronomical increases in interest rates on mortgages and loans leading the way. In February, real take-home pay was 7.3% below that of February '79. Thus, for the working class and the broad masses of the people, with each passing day it becomes more impossible to make ends meet.

The working people are being pressed to the wall. And on March 14, President Carter unveiled his "new anti-inflation program" to squeeze the masses even further. Carter's latest "antiinflation" measures cover three

(I) Revision of the 1981 budget to include a \$14 billion addition to the tax bunden. This increase will come mainly from a \$11 billion gasoline tax which will add 10% to the price of gasoline. Tax increases will be combined with \$16 billion of cutbacks in federal funding of unemployment compensation, education, health care and other social services. At the same time the budget will maintain major real increases in military expenditures.

(2) Establishing credit controls aimed particularly at consumer credit, to raise interest rates and fees, and ensure the astronomical interest rates

other billionaire loan sharks. (3) The strengthening of the enforce-

ment capacity of Carter's system of "wage-price" guidelines in order to strengthen the hand of the government in suppressing strikes and cut- the main from an additional 10¢ a galting the workers' wages.

These measures, like all the previous "anti-inflation" measures taken by the Carter administration, have nothing whatsoever to do with "fighting inflation." Rather they are measures of the capitalist government to saddle the masses with the entire burden of inflation. These measures are not for the purpose of relieving the condition of the working masses but to worsen it; to protect the profits and positions of the most powerful monopolists - the big banks and financiers, the oil billionaires and war industry monopolies, etc. - which are mercilessly plundering the people. They are straightforward anti-working class measures to make the people pay for the all sided crisis of the moropoly capitalist system.

"Balancing the Budget" to Rob the Masses and to Fatten the Profits of the War Merchants and Banks

The capitalist media mills are making a big to-do about the fact that Carter has revised his original 1961 bodget proposal which he presented last January and is now proposing an allegedly balanced budget. This, the media claims, is proof that "President Carter Street banks to cover the interest on

The cost of living is going through being raked in by the big banks and is very serious about fighting inflather untional debt. The \$70-85 billion tion." But what do Carter's measures in interest payments to the banks is to supposedly balance the budget actu-

For the masses they mean \$14 billion in additional taxes to be levied in lon tax on gasoline which is going to come into effect in May. This tax is over and above the \$1.50 a gallon price of gasoline expected by the end of the year. What a blow to inflation! Carter's revised budget also means some \$16 billion in cutbacks in social services. The majority of these cutbacks are planned for federal funds for state and local expenditures for unemployment compensation and job programs, education grants, health care and food programs, and public transportation.

Nevertheless, despite these cutbacks, the budget is still planned to be about \$612 billion, that is, \$44 billion larger than the 1980 budget. Revenues collected for the 1981 budget will be over 22% of the gross national product. a record high. This is because the budget will contain even more enorraous handouts to the millionaires and billionaires. Most significantly, the budget will authorize another 5% increase in real terms for military expenditures. That is over \$160 billion as compared to \$139 billion in 1980 for the Pentagor generals and the war industry monopolies. Besides military spending, another outlay that will not. be cut back under Carter's "budget restruint" is the payments to the Wall

the second largest single federal expenditure behind defense. (This does not include outlays for social security which do not come out of general revenues but out of a separate insurance retirement fund.) But, of course, in the world of capital to balance the budget at the expense of the interest payments to the big banks is inconceivable because it would violate the holiest of holies, the sacred profits of finance

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The Strike of the New York City Transit Workers Defied the Fascist No-Strike Law

On April 1st, 33,000 transit workers in New York City launched a determined and militant strike against the Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) in defense of their vital interests. For 11 days the strike completely shut down New York City's mass transit system. And it won wide support in every section of the working class in New York, above all among the workers in the public sector. As the militant struggle was gaining momentum the top bureaucrats of the Transit Workers Union broke the strike and sent the workers back to their jobs to vote on a contract offer virtually no different than one they had already turned down. This is a serious setback to the strike, but the struggle is still not over.

The transit strike has been an important event in the life of the working class in New York. The militant struggle of the transit workers has placed them in the front ranks of the workers' movement in the local area. Their struggle has been a significant blow to the program of the rich to make the public sector workers and the working people in general pay for the city's fiscal crisis. It has taken place in the face of Carter's wage controls, and in open defiance of the laws banning strikes in the public sector. This has inspired the entire working class, including the municipal workers, who have come to the conclusion to take this same path of militant struggle. The betrayal of the strike by the union bureaucrats has brought a temporary halt to the struggle. But the defrant spirit of the masses of transit workers has not been broken. Everywhere they are denouncing the contract swindle and they are preparing to carry their struggle through.

The struggle of the transit workers takes place against the background of five years of fiscal crisis in NYC. The fiscal exists which has gripped NYC, as the Wall Street banks from exorbitant in other major cities, has been accompanied by a systematic program of the rich for the impoverishment of the urban masses in general, and the public sector workers in particular. It has meant the loss of tens of thousands of jobs in the public sector through layoffs and attrition; brutal speedup and worsening working conditions for the remaining workers; attacks against wages and benefits which have caused asts have continued to reap fantastic a substantial decline in living stand- profits. ards, and rapid deterioration of vital services in the city.

30% decline in real wages. The thou- is the only path to defend the workers' sands of jobs eliminated have included vital interests against the interests of more than 2,000 in maintenance alone. the rich. This has brought deterioration of the



On March 27, over 10,000 transit workers were joined by municipal workers from other sectors in a militant demonstration at City Hall

buses, subways, tracks and power lines, resulting in service cutbacks, increased breakdowns, and even derailments. This has meant the worsening and safety conditions, and no giveof the already hazardous working conditions in transit, and the endangering of the safety of the millions of working people who ride the subways and buses every day.

Five years of these attacks in transit, municipal, and other parts of the public sector have brought no end to the fiscal crisis. Indeed, the program of the rich was never intended to solve the crisis, which is a product of the decay of monopoly capitalism. The program of the rich has been aimed to make the workers pay in order to guarantee the fantastic profits reaped by interest payments on the public debt. While the workers suffered cuts in real wages, while the subways and buses deteriorated, resulting in hazardous conditions for both passengers and workers, while thousands of jobs were lost and the remaining workers brutally overworked, while the politicians cried and lied that "there is no morey, the bloodsucking finance capital-

For the workers in transit and throughout the public sector, the burn-In 1976 and 1978 the Emergency Fi- ing issue has been the fight against the name Control Board forced contracts program of the rich to shift the entire on the transit workers which drastical- bunden of the crisis onto the workers. ly cut their real wages and imposed a The strike of the transit workers has rich. Their strike itself has been direct-bus drivers for six private bus lines, a severe productivity drive on them. Be- been the first major strike struggie in ed against the MTA, a state agency, two-day strike by trachmen on the

have included an immediate 30% increase in wages, a COLA not tied to increased productivity, improved health backs of the benefits and work rules won in decades of struggles. Months before the strike, the MTA chairman, real estate tycoon Richard Ravitch, declared these completely just demands "grossly irresponsible." The MTA's final offer on the eve of the strike was a paltry 5% a year over three years. In the face of the present 18% annual inflation rate this "offer" meant nothing but an outrageous wage cut. The same is true of the proposal made by the mediators on the last day before the strike for 8% the first year and 9% the second, coupled with a series of givebacks. In fact, the mediators' proposal was the

MTA's real offer, made under the

guise of a "neutral" party, while Ra-

vitch huffed and puffed about 5% for

show. Equally important has been the

rest of the MTA's "offer" throughout

the negotiations - an arrogant list of

41 givebacks and brutal productivity

measures. The MTA, with the com-

plete backing of the city, state and fed-

eral governments, continues the pro-

gram of the rich to shift the entire bur-

den of the crisis or to the workers. The

transit workers answered the IMTA

with a determined and militant strike.

ers have been held to a 24% increase 1976. It's the first strike waged under workers has been endorsed by the city, by workers on the Port Authority Trans in wages while the cost of living has the slogan No givebacks! And it is state and federal governments. As Hudson lines, and a slowdown by the skyrocketed by 54%. This has meant a demonstrating that direct mass action well, the workers have been faced with Carter's "voluntary" wage guidelines, the government and capitalist newspawhich restrict the workers to a maximum of a 9% increase in wages at a The transit workers' just demands time when inflation is soaring at an an- ers, the workers in other sectors have nual rate of 18%. These wage controls amply demonstrated that they know are aimed not only at reducing the very well that their interests lie in soliworkers' real wages, but in restricting darity with the transit workers against their struggles.

An important weapon of the rich a-1966. As well as measures such as imprisoning the union officials, the Tayamounting to two days' pay for every day of the strike. Thus, the transit strike was outlawed even before it started. Before the strike Ravitch sent letters to every transit worker threatening them with the provisions of the law - fines on the workers, loss of etc. Governor Carey joined in as well, the Taylor Law."

through to victory.

27, over 10,000 transit workers were trayal of the workers' struggle. joined by municipal workers and work-

which has won wide support from manded by the government, they must workers through the New York area, override the betrayal of the union buhas been marked by expressions of renuents and take matters into their working dass solidarity. These have own hands. In their struggle the transit workers included the joint demonstrations with Fight the contract swindle! have confronted the government of the municipal workers, the strike of No to wage cuts! No to givebacks! tween 1974 and 1980 the transit work- the public sector in New York since whose program of attacks against the Long Island Railroad, overtime refusal

Port Authority toll collectors. While pers have carried daily propaganda that the transit strike hurts other work-

the rich and their government.

On April 11 the Executive Board of gainst the transit workers is the New the Transit Workers Union split 22 to York State Taylor Law, which bans 22 on an offer from the MTA. This ofstrikes by public employees. This is fer was virtually identical to the offer the successor to the old Condon-Wal- made by the mediators on the eve of den Act, which was smashed by re- the strike and clearly a sellout of the peated struggles of the public sector demands of the transit workers. Nevworkers, especially the transit strike in ertheless, the board unanimously ordered the workers back to work and to put the contract offer to a membership lor Law imposes fines on the workers vote. And the union bureaucrats have agreed that even when the contract is voted down they will not resume the strike but will tie up the struggle in endless procedures. This is criminal sabotage of the transit workers' strike by the trade union bureaucrats. Even though the workers have already been their jobs, the jailing of union officials, on strike for 11 days against virtually the same contract offer, the bureauproclaiming that "the Attorney Gen- crats have ordered them back to work. eral will enforce all the provisions of Even though the Executive Board itself could not agree to approve the Knowing the importance of the contract, and despite the fact that the transit workers' strike, the rich workers were fully prepared to continbrought the full weight of the govern- ue, the bureaucrats have stopped the ment to bear against the workers. But workers from striking. The top trade the transit workers defied the law and union bureaucrats have ordered the the government attacks and launched workers back to their jobs even though the strike, fully prepared to carry it the strike was beginning to show its full impact on the tenth and eleventh Before the strike began, the workers days, as seen in the biggest traffic prepared for it through mass demon- jams yet, a sharp drop in retail trade, strations and other actions. On March and so forth. What a disgusting be-

The overwhelming majority of the ers from other sectors in a militant transit workers are completely outdemonstration at City Hall in support raged against this latest contract offer, of their just demands. On March 30, and all across the city they are detransit workers again marched to dem- nouncing it and discussing the next onstrate their determination. Through step for their struggle. On April 1 the these means they prepared for a long transit workers decided for a militant and militant strike. And once the strike mass strike as the only sure way to win began, the workers were determined their just demands. What was true on to carry it through, constantly pointing April 1 is still true today. For the workout that they were ready to stay out ers to defend themselves against the longer than the 16-day 1966 strike. savage cuts in their real wages and a-The struggle of the transit workers, gainst the all-round givebacks de-

No to law or Law Imes! Vose no! Prepare for struggle!

"Victory to the Transit Workers!"

"Victory to the Transit Workers!" is a calypso written by the Caribbean Progressive Study Group for the New York City transit workers' strike struggle. It has been sung on several picket lines of workers and received very warm support.

Victory to the Transit Workers!

The transit workers have made their demands Higher wages better working

conditions And to back their demands Close down the mass transit system With heroic strike action

Tell Ravitch, Koch and Carey Tell them and all their cronies Tell all them scabs and strikebreakers Victory to the transit workers!

This courageous stand is a great inspiration To the working class and people who support this struggle Thirty percent Is a just demand

CHORUS

In the face of the rising inflation

The reactionary state and their news media Are attacking the workers with lies and slanders The working class and people Reject the state fascist plan And support the transit workers'

CHORUS

just demands.

The rich and their courts brought out their Taylor law Their fascist wage guidelines and many more But the transit workers Have said nay more Down with the fascist wage guidelines and Taylor law.

CHORUS

What do we want? We want thirty When do we want it? We want it

The rich could grown Or they could croak But we say no contract, no work!

Tell Ravitch, Koch and Carey Tell them and all their cromes Tell all them scubs and strike breakers Victory to the transit markers!

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banks and other handouts to the rich, despite the tax increases and cutbacks, inflationary deficits will nevertheless continue without letup. Even the bourgeois economic "expertis" a gree that Canter's talk of a "lookered budget" is a patent fraud and that the 1981 budget will more than likely have a \$20 billion deficit or an even greater one depending on the depths of the reces-

Moreover, the publicized budget deficits include only part of the actual deficit. On top of this there is a kidden and very real so-called "off-budget" deficit. "Off-budget" deficits are created by financing government programs through the Federal Finance Bank, which in tunn is financed by borhad burewed from the hanks directly. Thus, for instance, to see the real size at the 1980 federal deficit, \$16 billion of "alf-budget" definits rust be addeducative publicized deficit of appreximately \$40 milion. In five a sid civil es, financing through the IFF hinthis wasmer is known as a nneans of so-called "harkdoor firancing." The FFB was created under Nixon and has been utilized to the bild by Carter, sarving no other purpose that for accounting spending. Outright Lying and descepdon to defraudthe masses is the highest a et ultroir geois finaries

Thus, while the 1961 budget definit may be curtiiled from the moist rois 356 Eillion of 1986, nevertheliess it will dection year "I udget halancing" will, in part, be nate at the expense of course, amain hotor for the germatone fullation. However, it is and hear as day that Cantar's "budget Ibahareing" nneasures are not for the purpose of diminating inflationary terfrires but

to rob the masses and to fatten the profits of the war merchants and

"Credit Restraints" to Ensure the Astronomical Interest Rates of the Banks and to Impoverish the People

Another theme of Carter's "anti-inflation" program is "credit restraint." According to Carter's lying propaganda, the ordinary consumer, the working people locar responsibility for the skypocketing in the tion because they are allegedly overly gready and are therefore splunging "beyond their means" or consumer medit. On this fraudulent loasis Carter makes the demagogic appeal that the "American family must try harder to line within his means." And subsequently Carter arders the various craditors (the banks, department stores, oil companies, etc.) to rewhich the issuing of cradit and to raise firmerst rates and other hers on condit

The truth of the amther is that while the depth of unsumer intelligedness has become a tremendous burker or the working people, this cannot be conscierci a sourceofirfaion as Carter dailins. The real imornes of the workers and the larged mesons of the people have been so ravaged by inflation, unbrankle levels of taxation, unen ployment, etc., that it has become simply in possible to live without gring up to one's carsin deht. Presently the II.S. has the highest rate of person a intel tehress and the lowest rate of personal savings of any industrial country in the world. The weight of indelub-diess to the banks and other reditors is a terrife burder on the shoulders of the working masses And with interest mates on morngages and lears waring out of sight (Ar example, In me martgages, which were at finrecording blevel of 1041 1% Jast year. thave hit rutes as high ats 15-17% to day) the people are being pituris red matchessly at the hands of the bardes and the other big capitalist ban

Carter's comean, however, is mither reducing inflation mon the thard-Continued an page 1.4 Sec. MALANCH

Chicago Public Sector Workers Fight the Strikebreaking of Mayor Byrne

Presently, a big upsurge is developing in the workers' movement in the Ghicago area. Aroused against the wage-cutting offensive of the Carter administration's so-called voluntary wage controls and the brutal productivity drive of the rich capitalist employers which is sweating the workers to the bone and increasingly turning the conditions in the factories into those similar to prison, the workers are rnore and more taking up mass resistance as the weapon to defend their basic interests. Among the public sector workers, this resistance has already broken out into a vigorous strike movement. The public sector workers are fighting against the wage-outting, mass firings, and brutal productivitry reasures imposed on them by the Ryrne administration in order to satisfirthe thirst of the rich bankers for increased profits which they are plunduring from the city's finances. The public sector workers have refused to submit to the dictates of the mich banks. For close to three months, since December of last year, the public sector workers have been developing a vigorous strike movement. First, the Chicago Transit Authority workers, 11,000 strong, went on strike against the attempts to cut their wages and im-

including both political parties of the junctions and blooked the scabs with rich, the Demorats and the Republic ther mass pulsets. The wo kers have cans, the capitalist news maila, the organized big mass rathes and rather top trade union bureaucras, the far solidairy actions of other workers. sounts, the police and all the "public" Workers from all over the city have officials -- have united in organizing visited the pucket lines and expressed a violuus fascist offensive against the thursoutrage against the rich and their public sector workers to force them to firm support of the workers' struggles. end their mass struggle. The rich are The mass strikes of the public sector tonified by the rising workers' move- workers have smashed head on against ment which they know evertually the administration of Mayor Lane spells their troom. They are out to Bynne. The came to office claiming she

pose brutal productivity measures or smash it. Starting with vite slander them. In January, over 25,000 campaigns against the workers, the teachers went out on strike against the rich have gone on to impose one fascist mass firings and attempts to cut their measure after abother to suppress the wages and benefits, as well as brutal workers' struggle. Court injunctions productivity measures being imposed "outlawing" the workers' struggles on them by the banks as part of the all- bave been issued. As well, fines and round deterioration of the public acrests have been in posed on the school system. In February, over 4,006 workers. Calls for open scabbing, esfirefighters went outon sike to defend pacially by Mayor Dyrne and other their right to organize, to oppose outs Democratic Party officials, and enin their workforce and for higher forced by the police, have been carwages. Each section of the public riedout. However, despite these measector workers have waged battles to stude the strike movement among the limit the attempts of the banks to shift public sector workers is continuing. the burden of the fiscal crisis onto the. The fuscist measures of the rich have backs of the workers. In their struggles only served to further arouse the workthe public sector workers have had the eas against all the forces of the rich. full support of the entire working mans. The workers have denormed the atthat's of the lying supitalist news The combinet forces of the rich - media. They have defined the court in-

was a friend of labor, a candidate of the masses. But her brazen and savage attacks against the public sector strikes have exposed that she is nothing other than a rabid tool of the nich. The exposure of Mayor Ryrne demonstrates that the entire Democratic Party is rotten through and through. On the coelhand there is Carter who in the name of a fight against inflation has cut federal fands to the cities, has imposed his wage controls to cut the workers' pay and is demanding that the workers share even harder to increase the productivity and profits of the monopoly capitalists. On the other hand there is the camp of Mayer Byrne, of the so-called Kannedy "at rowing from the Treasury. This proterrative, "of anilless fiberal and pro- sees incurs the increased indebtechess labor rhearic and of savage suppres. of the Tieasury to the banks just as sion of the workers. The Democratic surely as if the government agency Party is to better than the Republicans. They are noth parties of the rich, parties of sads and stilkebreakers, panies of starvation, fasoism and war.

In the strike nevement of the public sector workers, the working dass as a wholer sparning rich experience which is preparing it for future great dass battles The workers are learning that they nust take matters into their own hands and break through the saborage of the reactionary trade union bureau wrats. The public sector workers have fraud to hide the actual level of deficit stood up to we ge mass strikes, to defy the fascist courts and a nti-labor laws, and they are learning their own great strength of the mass struggle against the rich and their government. These struggles show, that the workers have nothing to gain from the Demo- contains in gern difficilition della chefgraticar Republicar Parties. The work of enenitionly realized through "bankers rust build their ewn political door inaming." Moreover, Carter's imovament, findependent of and against the parties and political program of the ridh. The mass digguer even larger deficits in the following with the capitalist parties must be on. years. Massive Pelicit querding in, wi ertet unto the path of probratan, drass polices. The only path of salvafior for the tolling masses is the pain of revolutionary struggle.

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The USWA "Buy American Steel" Campaign:

Resist the Plans of the Steel Barons!

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In recent months, the big steel capitalists have been closing down numerous steel plants, throwing thousands of workers onto the streets. U.S. Steel Corporation alone announced the closing of over 15 plants in one blow, affecting over 13,000 steelworkers aattacks, the steelworkers are going into action and big demonstrations against the plant closings have been organized in the recent weeks and months. The crisis of capitalism has hit the steel industry hard, exposing the ever deepening contradictions between the rich capitalist moneybags and the working class. The crisis in steel raises sharply the question of who shall pay for the crisis. The steel their jobs and livelihood.

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simply throwing them out of work altogether, they are using the threat of job loss to further attack the steelworkers who remain employed, in order to suck the maximum profits from the blood and sweat of the workers. The U.S. Steel Corporation has openly called for "a massive efficiency drive in steel by shutting down unprofitable facilities... cross the country. In response to these and then by cracking down on labor." (Business Week, September 17, 1979) One way the steel capitalists have attempted to carry out this "crackdown" is by demanding that a large section of the steelworkers, mainly those involved in steel fabrication, be excluded from the national basic steel negotiations for a new contract, coming up in August of 1980. The steel capitalists contend that the subsidiary steel plants are only "marginally profitacapitalists are implementing a vicious ble" and therefore the workers in program to shift the burden onto the those plants should make "concesworkers' backs. The steelworkers face sions' to the capitalists in wages and the great task of uniting and moboliz- benefits in order to so-called "secure ing their ranks for further struggle a- their jobs." In an attempt to implegainst the steel barons in defense of ment this plan, the New York Wire In the atmosphere of extreme job in- to their 200 workers to accept a "wage ture are capable of considering the

thrown into the streets without a job. The N.Y. Wire Mills workers gave this blackmail the proper reply. They rejected the wage freeze, went on strike for nine days, and forced the capitalists to give them a 15% increase in

wages over three years. In rejecting the wage freeze ultimatum of the steel billionaires, the workers had to overcome the treachery and sabotage of the big labor bureaucrats of the USWA, who recommend that the workers lie down like slaves before the threats and blackmail of the rich. Lloyd McBride, president of the USWA, has counseled acceptance of wage freeze on various occasions, echoing the steel monopolists' by claiming that the steelworkers' wages and benefits have allegedly contributed to "significant job loss, sales of plants and some plant shutdowns." Further, at its bargaining convention in early December the USWA bureaucracy while not directly adopting the capitalists' proposal to split the basic steel negotiations pointed out: "We believe that our negotiating commit-Mills Corporation issued an ultimatum tees and our present negotiating strucdowns and layoffs of steelworkers, words, either way the capitalists de- plant or any particular industry." In

tions whatsoever to making "necessary" concessions for the well-being of the industry (that is, profits of the rich) or any part of it. And so, the labor bureaucrats are hell-bent on fulfilling their mission to help the steel capitalists make the workers pay for the

Today the steel workers are fighting in defense of their jobs and livelihood against the attacks of the big steel barons. The N.Y. Wire Mill workers went on strike against the vicious blackmail of the capitalists. Big demonstrations of steel workers and their families against plant shutdowns have taken place in Youngstown, Ohio and Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. The issue facing the steelworkers is to step up the fight against the attacks of the steel capitalists. "Concessions" to the steel billionaires will not save the workers' jobs. It will only lead to more intensive exploitation through the steel barons' wage cuts and "efficiency" drives, and in fact to further job loss and plant shutdowns. To defend their jobs and livelihood the steelworkers must continue and step up their mass struggle against the monopolycapitalist steel barons.

Anti-import hysteria is a tool of the rich to disrupt the workers' struggle

BUFFALO WORKERS' VOICE

(The following article is adapted from a leaflet issued by the Buffalo Branch of the Marxist-Leninist Party, USA on February 25, 1980.)

In recent months, a big propaganda campaign has been organized in favor of the "Buy American Steel" bill which is once again being put before the New York state legislature. The advocates of this bill range from the steel monopoly capitalists and politicians on the state and local level, to the AFL-CIO Council. But the biggest advocates of all are the top bureaucrats of the United Steel Workers of Ameri-

The big labor traitors of the USWA have not lifted a finger to fight for the steel workers' jobs against the savage attacks of the big steel capitalists. During the 1974-75 economic crisis, the steel billionaires threw 54,000 steel workers out of their jobs. The USWA bureaucrats did nothing, and still today the workers have not gotten these jobs back. In the recent period even more steel workers are being thrown into the unemployment lines. Thousands have been laid off and fired, such as the 3,500 workers at Bethlehem's Lackawanna plant. Entire plants are being shut down, such as Youngstown Sheet and Tube's Campbell Works in Ohio. In the past few months the big steel capitalists' attacks have escalated further with U.S. Steel's announcement to close 15 plants in one blow, affecting 13,000 workers all across the country. The USWA hacks have not taken a single step towards fighting against the steel barons in defense of the steel workers' jobs. Instead, they are carrying out a hysterical campaign that "steel imports steal jobs" and are demanding 'Buy American Steel." With this campaign they are trying to convince the workers to stop their struggle against the American steel capitalists, to unite with "their own" steel moropolists against the others, and to regard their class brothers, the workers of other countries, as their enemy. The workers should not get diverted by the ravings of the USWA top labor traitors. To defend their jobs and livelihood the workers must continue and step up their

capitalists. The U.S. steel billionaires are in the grips of a severe economic crisis and they are engaged in a fierce rivalry with foreign steel bilionaires for world markets. They are seeking to maintain their profits and strengthen their economic position by stifting the burden of the orisis onto the backs of the workers. To this and they are carrying out a massive rationalization of the industry. They are closing down infficient mills, introducing new and more medern equipment, and intersifying the b.bor of the workers. Through this pregram thousands of workers are being GRENADA

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even seen it necessary its remove the authority of the Queen of England over

Whereas actions to hit at imperialism and to safeguard the intenst of the people are not being taken, the revisionists in the government ar making moves to strangthan the investmentalby another imperial by prewer, the Soviet Union, and at the same time preparing for the vicious suppression of the genuine patricic art democraic forces who stand firmly against

imperialism and social-imperialism. In the present case of the Grenadian NOM, they have taker up the role of carrying out the transition of the country from the hands of the Argh-Arnaican imperialists to the Soviet socialimperialists.

Maurice Bishop, the leader of the Grenadian revisionists, has genero the extent chedling the sellout activities of his government "socialism." Accord ing to him socialism is heing built in Grenach. Nothing could be ifarther from the truth. In the first place, how can socialism be constructed in any country when the first and most funda-

portant hearing on the struggle of the mediately enganize mass arious to back up their tiemands and smain through Carter's wage comeds in this way, the metal tradies workers are defending not only their own livelirepotentment, and top trade union bu- hoods, but also are prougly carrying nearrais are trying to shove down out their duty to the artise working

thrown unemployed into the streets, while the remaining employed workers are being forced to work at a feverish pace and under murderously unsafe working conditions. At the same time that the steel barons are attacking the workers directly, they are trying to restrict the importation of steel from other countries. This is to ensure that they maintain a monopoly over the U.S. market and can continue to raise steel prices sky-high.

The U.S. government has enthusiastically endorsed this rotten program of the steel capitalists. Carter's plan to "help the steel industry," which was introduced in 1977, is a plan to rationalize the industry and thereby cut costs through the layoff and overwork of the steel workers. And it is also a plan to restrict steel imports.

In short, the big steel barons, with the assistance of the Carter government, are trying to maintain their monopoly capitalist profits by victously attacking the steel workers. And at the same time, through the anti-import campaign, they are trying to enlist the steel workers in a holy economic war against the steel capitalists of other

These same sort of attacks are taking place against the steel workers in Western Europe and other big capitalist countries around the world. In the grips of a worldwide crisis of overproduction, the steel monopolies everywhere are rationalizing their mills and throwing thousands of workers out of their jobs. For enample, from 1974 to 1980, 50,000 steel workers lost their jobs in France; 140,000 were thrown out of work in West Germany; 15,000 in Belgium; 10,000 in Italy; and 52,000 in Britain. But the steel workers have not taken these attacks lying down. Everywhere they have turned to mass struggle. In 1978, 90,000 West German steel workers waged a determined 44-day strike against the steel capitalists. In the Lorraine region of France, there was wide-scale rioting of the French workers against the steelbarons in 1979. And this year 152,000 British steel workers waged a militant strike for over three months. Clearly the interests of the American workers he with these struggles of the steel workers of other hards and not with the auti-import hysteria of the American steel monopolies.

The raving acti-import campaign of the USWA bigwigs is a rotten attempt to turn the American workers against their class brothers in other countries. It is intended to divert the workers away from their struggle against the steel capitalists. And it aims at comverting them into slaves for the economic rivalry of the monopoly capitalists and preparing them to be cannon folder in imperialist war. The steel workers must reject the bysterical actiimport campaign of the USWA buresucrats and their disgusting collaboration with the big steel cupitalists. Solidarity with the struggles of the workers in every country, this is the any honorable path. Mass resistance to the attacks of their "own" nonepoty capitalists, this is the only way to defend the sheel workers' jobs and live-

Bethlehem steelworkers wildcat against murderous working conditions

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Bethlehem Steel's 13-inch bar mill mills. Since August 1977, 131 workers staged a wildcat strike against the un- have been murdered by the steel capisafe conditions imposed on them by talists in the basic steel industry -- an the Bethlebem capitalists. The work- average of more than four deaths a ers walked out to protest the high lev- month - and this is according to capels of lead dust they are forced to talists' statistics which only take inte breathe day in and day out, a condition account deaths they can't cover up or that has existed ever since the mill shift the blame for. Thousands of other opened over two years ago! This strike workers have been injured and mainfollows another work stoppage in Octo- ed from toiling long hours, from ber that occurred in the basic oxygen furnace after an explosion dropped a conditions. The steel capitalists are water-filled 22-foot section of piping fully aware that the steel mills are hellonto the furnace floor. Both the contamination of lead dust in the 13-inch death is on the workers' minds conmill and the explosion at the basic oxygen fannace are not "mistakes," problems" that the Bethlehem capital- to produce faster and cheaper; but ists intend to evercome. No, they are a when it comes to spending any money result of the conscious, coldblooded for the most minimal safety measures, program of the rich, whose concern is the capitalists complain that these they are allegedly "inflationary." not the health and welfare of the work- costs are "unproductive" and "cut in- Carter's Council on Wage and Price

In their desire to maximize their

profits, the steel capitalists have inthe nation's steel plants. Part of this drive includes the criminal neglect of On February 8 and 9, the workers at the safety of the workers in the steel speedup and from dangerous working holes, where the question of injury and stantly. The program of the rich is for billions of dollars to be invested in "simple accidents" or "temporary modern automated machinery in order

try" with their pockets stuffed with profits taken from the sweat and blood of the steel workers do not care one iota about the safety of the workers. They consider the workers as just part of the machinery -- to be worked as long and as hard as possible and then thrown on the scrap heap when their usefulness runs out, if they live that

The government, for its part, assists the entire capitalist class in organizing the productivity drive. When the workers strike, refusing to continue working under hazardous conditions, the government comes to the aid of the capitalists by issuing an injunction declaring that the workers have no right to fight against unsafe conditions. Further, the Carter government's "antiinflation" program is providing the workers taking matters into their own basis for intensified attacks by the capitalists on the workers' health and safety. As part of the "anti-inflation" program, the Carter administration opposes what it calls "unnecessary'

cost of "environmental, health and safety standards" is responsible for "poor productivity growth" and therefore to "fight inflation" health and safety measures "must be curtailed."

It is clear that neither the steel capitalists nor the government care for the health and welfare of the steel workers. On the contrary, they do everything in their power to keep the steel workers working under the most brutal conditions which endanger their life and limb. The Buffale Branch of the Marxist-Leninist Party, USA hails the Bethlehem Steel workers for striking against the murderous conditions at their mill. The Bethlehem workers have a long and proud history of fighting the capitalists tooth and nail over the issue of safety. It is only by the bands and waging active resistance struggles against the capitalists and their government that the dangerous and deadly conditions imposed by the steel capitalists can be fought.

Defy Carter's Wage Controls! Take Up Mass Struggle Against the Metal Trades Capitalists

(The following article is reprinted from ployers, even if the capitalists' offer is pressed nations and peoples abroad. a leaflet is sued by the Seattle Branch slightly above the guidelines (in which

The metal trades' workers are going into battle against the metal trades' millionaires. The metal trades' capitalists are attempting to force the workers to accept a wage settlement within tivity drives. It thoroughly exposes the the Carter administration's wage capitalists fraud that the workers and guidelines of 7.5-9.5% (combined employers share a "common interest" wages and benefits). The sole purpose in increasing the prafits of the rick, of Carter's guidelines is to carry out that what is good for the rich is some wage cutting with a vengeance by how good for the workers. What is acbringing the full force of the state a- tually occurring in society is that as the gainst the workers' strike move- rich get richer, they are attacking the ment, he suppress the workers' denunds for actual wage increases as the For example, PACCAR, the largest satiske and the Pierre Courty comployonly relief from the souring cost of live employer in the rnet al trades, has just ing. The wage guidelines are designed dhalked upprecord profits for the fourth to maximize the profits of the employ- consecutive year. In 1979 their profers. They have nothing to do with its were 28% higher than in 1978. At "Tighting ir lation," as the lying capi- the same time, PACCAR and the other talist polificians contend. With prices metal trades' capitalists are trying to souring at ar 18% annual rate (ever force a vicious wage-cutting contract and Cartan's wage controls are defeat-20% locally, and with Carter promis- on the workers in full compliance with ing higher teres, indusing the 10t per Carter's wage controls. gallon gasoline tax, a 7.5-9.5% "inorease" turns out to be a brutal cut in proposal included such wage-cutting the workers' real take home pay.

The ar-calaid "voluntary" wage controls are being directly imposed on the working diassiby the government's Pay Advisory Committee. This pay board consists of the big capitalists, ists to threaten the jobs of the nat of Cartera dministration officials, and the the workers and drive down wages and toprirade union bureaucrats. Thus, it is conditions. The proposal was iffled only by relying on their own efforts, with many other wage outting proposresdutely befying Cartur's wage controls and carrying out sigurous struggleta press their terrands for higher wages that the working dass can find any iduef from the ravages of inflation. Totay the metal strades' warkers are atten fing union meetings to discuss ing an intense and all-sided offensive the capitalists' latest contract offer. They should say Not and Defy Carter's by dumping the burden of the axisis Wage Controls! They should take im- onto the workers, onto the poor of city

The companies' March 10 contract face to the workers. It is in full compliance with the Carter administration's program of wage outting and producworkers more viciously than before.

schemes as the flooding of the rental trades with a new classification of worker ("laborer"), who would be paid \$4.65 an hour. These weathers would be used as a lever by the capital als from beginning to end. There were also dlauses designed to strip the workers of the most minimal rights and to assist the capitalists' productiv-

The capitalist manopolies are wagto preserve and increase their profits

The economic movement of the proleof the Marxist Leninist Party, USA on case the workers would still face a tariat to resist being saddled by the economic crisis is an absolutely necessary stauggle. The rich must be made proposal was an arrogant slap in the to pay for the crisis. The revolutionary mass stonggle against increased explaitation is essential to prepare the working dass for carrying out the revolation and the overflow of the explait-

The rich greatly ifear the radicalization that is developing in the manks of the working dass. 1980 opened with the national strike of 55,000 refinery workers and several local struggles have already occurred the Pacific Northwest 1341 telephone wildest ees' strike). In Washington state in 1980 the centracts of over 100,000 workers expire. The entre monopoly capitalist class is greatly worried that if a big man struggle is put up by the Sally rectal trades' workers in April, ed, then a very large movement to break through the controls will spread The capitalists' original contract. throughout the state. This is why the capitalists and the labor trattors are are even an issue in the current megoti-

The present head of the AFL-CIO, Lone Kirkland, is walking in the very ifontsteps of George Marry who sation fasdist Nixon's pay board. Krk land inow aits on the Pay Advisory Committtee which wrote Carter's "voluntary" wage controls. For biry on the cake, Carter even appointed the same John Durlop wholheaded Nixon's pay board to head up the present pay board. Carborn out of the "thistonic reational accorf" 'a'gned 'September 28, 11979 betweer the Carter administration and the top AFL-CIO officials and encarsed by the United Auto Workers mediate mass action against the em- and country at home, and onto the op- and Fearnsters. Through the paylorard their throats. The watkers should im- class.

the labor buneaucrats have a voice in and participate directly in administering wage cuts. The establishment of this invarite beard brings the trade union backs right into the administration of the reactionary anti-worker policies of the government of the rich. This marks a step down the path of corporate state fascism similar to that rigged up by the Italian fascist dictator Musofri. This makes it perfectly dear that the metal trades' workers have to "friends" in the government. Today, the Democratic Party is the riani political party of the nich for deceiving the workers and calls on them to satisfice and accept every attack on their livelihood, while at the same time morrotes theil using that the capitalis is can be forced by the government of the billionaires and oil kings to "starfice" too. The workers must reject these politics of the rich and build frer own independent political move-

To cally their own dass against the capitalists' wage outting offensive, the workers need their swn battle cry: Defy Carter's Wage Controls! Furthermars, the workers need to raise their hilling the fact that Carter's guildines own political voice against all the attacks of the memoraly capitalists. The class conscious workers need to risky around their ewn political party, the Marxist Leninist Party, and partici rate in the revolutionary movement against the rich and their government.

The success of the metal trades' workers in fighting for their basic intterests against the capitalist bloodsuckers and in defiance of the governiment's wage cortid's will have an imter's pay board is the ugly offspring entire working class against the offensive of the rich. The metal trades' workers should say No! to the wage cuting contract the capitalists, the

mental steps to truly put the aconomy of the country in the hands of the people are not being taken? How can socialism be built when the enemies of Marxism-Leninism are in power and the working class is without its political Party and therefore is unable to play the leading role in the society? What is being constructed in Grenada is not genuine socialism but the revisionist type capit alism similar to that which exists in Yuganiwita, Chia and several oth a countries under the domimation of the Soviet Union and the United States of America.

The people of Grenada have a long and porious listory of fighting a gainst copression. They have a long history of combating reactionary and traitmous forces who save the interrat of fine ign exp biters. The NJM revicionists are trying to divert the deep hated of the people for U.S. imperialis numbfor the fassist regime of Chiry into supporting the ciminal oppression by Sovied social-imperialism and at the hands of the NJM revisionists the nordvers Ttis will, however, the no early tank ibr fite revisionists to a-

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Simmons mattress workers resist vicious productivity drive and wage cuts

(The following leaflet was issued by tions" do not exist on the day-to-day the San Francisco Bay Area Branch of basis, that the machinery, tools and the Marxist-Leninist Party, USA on material are always faulty in one way April 5, 1980.)

On March 5, the closers stopped work and walked off the line in militant opposition to the starvation wage of \$5.26 an hour. As piece workers, the closers had recently experienced another cut in their piece rates based on a time study done in late 1979. The study involved a company flunkey specially brought in from Atlanta, who willingly worked at a murderous pace under perfect conditions, in order to set a standard of work higher than ever before. This latest cut meant Simmons would pay the closers less wages for an increased amount of work, further driving down their wages to starvation base rate. The closers refused to submit to this enslaving rate and walked out demanding \$7.00 per hour for the exhausting and crippling work they do. This is a just struggle, in the interests of all of the Simmons workers and deserves their support.

By cutting the piece rate the Simmons capitalists are openly stepping up the exploitation of the workers. They are shifting their productivity drive into high gear. This is part and parcel of the program of the entire capitalist class and their government. The declared "number one priority" of the Carter administration is to impose a productivity drive on the workers designed to intensify the exhausting overwork and savage capitalist exploitation of the working class, combined with wage controls in the face of 20% inflation to drive down the workers' real wages. Nationwide, in desperation over the deep economic crisis which the capitalists themselves have created in their drive for maximum profits, they are implementing pregrams tailored to conditions in their particular industry, but which are all designed to force the workers to submit to wage cuts, intense speedup and exhausting overwork. At Simmons the hated system of piecework and time studies is the weapon used to cut the wages and enforce the man-eating productivity drive, and thereby increase union leadership were called to the the Simmons capitalists' profits to

On the surface, it may appear that piece workers can increase their meager wages by individually working did not return to work immediately. faster and making more pieces. For What Simmons' capitalist could have their part, the conniving owners of put it any better? Time and again, Simmons never tire of telling the lie whenever the workers at Simmons that workers can "make some good have fought back by speaking out, money" on piecework. They continually say that in these hard times (hard for whom? Simmons admits to cleaning bureaucrats - hardened laokies of the \$5 million in 1978 alone!) piece workers can make out based on their own "initiative and hard work." In fact. Simmons' own filthy history of rate cuts shows just how well the workers ing the workers at give up the struggle "make out" on piece rate. Their history shows that piecework is nothing but a surefire method for increasing production and slashing the wages of

To begin with, time studies, on which the rate is based, are themselves a scheme for cheating piece workers. Often individual workers lhave intensified their work in order to make more than the base rate only to Ihave Simmons carry out a new time study which invariable sets a new "normal average" rate which lowers the amount paid per piece and speeds workers cannot depend on the train up production. How many times have the Simmons bloodsuckers introduced a new style, or new "cost-cutling" changes in production materials changing the production process in some way - as an excuse to re-time own efforts and strength, on their the workers. These time studies are diways done under the guise of "impartiality" and "science." Simmons pro- Francisco Bay Area Brancl, fully surpifesses to being interested merely in posts the active resistance of the workfinding out the normal pace of work. ers at Simmons and haits their fight a But experience has shown that time gainst the capital st productivity drive studies, without fail, have been used and wage cuts. This is part of the ite to further ensiave the workers. Of veloping fight of the entire working course, during an actual time study class against the program of the capiperfect conditions are set up in order talists. to get the fastestipessible rate — a rate which is then held over the workers' Simmons capitalists' productivity heads like a hatchet. But when work- drive and wage cats! ers point out that these "perfect condi-

or another making it extremely difficult to make more than the starvation base rate, they are told to stop "complaining" and just work faster.

The productivity drive, its time studies and piece rate cuts are not aimed solely at the closers. Simmons' productivity drive and wage cuts are an attack on the livelihood of all the furniture workers in the plant. Even the better paid piece workers, whose jobs enable them to receive a bit more in wages, who may not yet have experienced rate cuts like those which have affected the closers, are in no way insulated from the productivity drive and the threat of time studies and enslaving rate cuts hang over their heads as well. Day workers also feel the painful effects of the productivity drive. For example, the handlers, who receive hourly wages, must work right alongside piece workers and attempt to keep up with them as they are driven to exhaustion. In addition, to enforce this productivity drive, all workers, piece workers and day workers are constantly subjected to fascist harassment. Workers are hounded and harassed with written warnings and in socalled counseling sessions, to increase their production or face firing. Workers who are ill, who have been injured or developed crippling diseases such as tendonitis because of overwork, are attacked for being absent. And recently, Simmons has stepped up their efforts to force workers to be at their work statious from buzzer to buzzer so that every last drop of profit can be squeezed from their hides.

In carrying out their program against the workers, the monopoly capitalists receive the greatest assistance from the top trade union bureaucrats and their flunkeys. These sellout "leaders," under the guise of "representing the workers," in fact echo the entire capitalist program. They attempt at every turn to stop the resistance of the workers. At Simmons, within moments of the closers' work stoppage, the flunkeys of the top trade scene by their capital st masters. They then proceeded to denounce the work stoppage and even went so far as to threaten the workers with firing if they writing grievances, carrying out slowdowns or work stoppages, these labor capitalists - have hurried to the scene acting as firefighters for Simmons and dampening the flames of the workers' resistance. They are renowed for telland surrender. They say that "there is nothing to be done" and frat the company "has a right" to make any attacks on the workers they choose. These ladkeys actually speak for Simmons, justifying the capitalist policies to the workers. During the so-called counseling sessions, for example, it is these lackeys first and foremost who try to convince the wafkers to submit to Sirmons' "reasonable" demands that they never be absent, or that they should work faster and produce more.

Experience has taught that the union bureaucrats. The path for epposing the capitalists' productivity drive and wage cuts is the patr of active resistance. Active resistance requires that the workers rely on their unity and numbers.

The Marxist Lemrist Party, San

Wage active resistance against the



Workers at Buffalo's Roswell Park Hospital:

Step Up the Struggle Against Increased Workloads!

(The following leaflet was issued by workloads. Increased workloads are an

department, over 100 workers signed petitions denouncing the administration for its attacks - denouncing increased workloads and the fascist la-These struggles against the Roswell Park administration signify the further growth and strengthening of the trend for mass active resistance among the Roswell Park workers.

In particular, large numbers of workers are becoming increasingly aroused for struggle against the increased workloads they are being forced to bear, and against the fascist labor discipline which the administration imposes to enforce the increased which exists at Roswell Park!

the Buffalo Branch of the Marxist- especially severe problem for the Leninist Party, USA on March 1, workers as a direct result of the implementation of Carter's "cost containment" program. In housekeeping, for In recent weeks, the struggle of the example, many positions have been al-Roswell Park workers against the lowed to remain unfilled causing se-'cost containment' program has been vere shortstaffing. The administration heating up. In response to the fascist is demanding that the smaller number firing of a worker in the housekeeping of workers take up the slack with the dictate: "Everyone must do extra work!" In nursing, at latest count, 66 positions are unfilled — an astonishing one out of every 7.6 jobs! This has rebor discipline which is imposed to en- sulted in a patient-to-nurse ratio high force them. In response to the "absen- above that of a few years ago. At a teeism" crackdown in nursing, many "normal" general hospital this would workers boldly confronted their super- be serious enough, but Roswell treats visor to denounce the policy of "A mi- an abnormally high number of patients nusing." Other sections of the workers requiring very serious attention due to tion camp atmosphere where none as well, are getting into motion on the nature of their disease and there- dare resist for fear of punishment. It is many fronts to oppose the administra- fore the increasing patient-to-nurse ration's "cost containment" attacks. tio has extremely serious repercussions. It is not at all unusual to find a floor which has a ratio of 10-12 patients through the use of "A minus" time per nurse - and this on the day shift when all of the specialized work and poses the utter hypocrisy of the admin- worker (except supervisors) who runs istration which pretends to be so "con- out of sick time, even if they have vacerned" for the well-being of the pa- cation or personal leave time saved up, tients. In fact, it is their own brutal policy of shortstaffing which is to lished practice. The nursing supervi-

In order to enforce their policy of increasing workloads to the extreme, the Roswell administration is attempting to impose a fascist labor discipline on the workers, to turn them into obedient slaves who will work themselves to the bone without complaint. The housekeeping supervision has become notorious for its policy of firing any worker who refuses to be a slave to the increased workloads. This is what was behind their vicious firing of Curtis Wirt, who is the latest victim of this longstanding policy. And where they cannot fire a worker outright, they reserve all sorts of disciplinary measures to use against those who do not accept the extra work like meek lambs. They are attempting to create a concentrafor this same purpose that throughout the institute the administration is cracking down on absenteeism (withholding pay from workers for "excessive absenteeism"). In nursing, treatment is being carried out. This ex- it is now a policy to "A minus" any contrary to well-known and long estabblame for any neglect of patient care sion is so vicious in the application of this policy that they penalized a young

nurse who missed days due to pregnancy for "abusing the use of sick time"!

The stepped-up attacks on the Roswell Park workers are part and parcel of the intensification of the "cost containment" program by the Carter administration. In late 1979 Carter called for new "cost containment" legislation to step up the attacks on the hospital workers. The Roswell Park administration is responding to Carter's call by attacking the workers, "dutifully" implementing "cost containment" to the letter. However, while the Roswell administration is intensifying its attacks, more and more these attacks are backfiring in their faces. Instead of increased discipline, there is increasing defiance of the fascist dictates of the administration and its lackey supervisors. The Roswell Park workers are in the mood for struggle. Now is the time to step up the strupple against increased workloads, and against the fascist labor discipline which is imposed to enforce them. By stepping up the struggle against increased workloads, the workers can land a powerful blow against the "cost containment" program.

Step up the struggle against increased workloads!

Mass active resistance is the way to defend the workers' basic interests!

Richard Lipsitz Is Still the President!

(The following article is taken from a statement issued by the Buffalo Branch of the Marxist-Leninist Party, USA on April 2, 1980.1

On March 17, the CSEA Regional Trial Board suspended Richard Lipsitz from the office of president of Local 303. As all the Roswell Park workers know, Richard is an ardent fighter for the workers' cause and a militant supporter of the Marxist-Leninist Party. And that is precisely the reason the top labor bureaucrats of CSEA/AFSCME have waged a seven munth long, reactionary campaign - starting from the moment he took affice - to drive him

The top labor bureaucrats of the CSEA/AFSCME use the official tracle union to rooperate with the class enemy, the rich. They use the official trade union to preach submission to the enerry's attacks and to sabotage tibe workers' just struggles. And they workers to the political parties -

class politics independent of the rich and their political parties.

And so, despite the workers' democratic election of Richard Lipsitz as their union president, despite the workers' continued and increased sup- the labor bureaucrats have plotted and port for Richard in the face of a big re- conspined behind the backs of the actionary campaign organized by the workers to expel Richard from office, labor bureaucracy and the Roswell ad- the masses of workers have tallied to ministration to discredit him and drive the line Richard represents, the line of him from office -- despite this the la- the Marxist-Leninist Party, in greater bor bureaucrats decided Richard must numbers and with growing convintion go. Fine and dandy! But, the workers and militancy. at Roswell Park are having their own

gainst the interests of the rich. It is il- and other attacks. He is a champion of legal to resist the attacks of the rich, the workers' genuine class interests asuch as "cost containment," through gainst the rich, a militant supporter of the trade union. It is illegal to be active the Marxist-Leninist Party, the party inside the trade union for working of the class conscious working class. That is why the workers support him, and no decisions or judgements passed down by the top labor bureaucrats can change that.

In fact, over the past period, while

Today, more than ever, it is crystal say on this question. The workers did clear that mass active resistance is the not elect Richard president because correct trade union policy. The Marxthe labor brancaucrats decided they ist-Lemnist Party advocates and helps should. Not are the workers going to the masses of workers to organize acstep supporting Richard as their presi- tive registance to the capitalists' atdentibecause the labor bureaucrats say tacks. At Roswell Park, as the attacks forts. The workers must organize outuse the official trade union to fix the they should. No, the standof the works launched against the workers by the side the official trade union channels, ers is in complete opposition to the administration and the government as well as fight inside the trade union Democratic and Republican - of the stand of the labor bureaucrats. The keep on growing, the necessity for the against the sellout policy of the labor mich. According to the top labor bu- workers say: Richard Lipsitz is still the workers to actively fight back and or- bureaucrats. reaccrats, it is illegal for the workers president! Richard is a fighter, a lead-garrize resistance to these attacks beto use the trade union to defend and er and an organizer of the workers' comes more organizer day. In the pursue their own class interests as struggle against "cost containment" recent period, nurrenous struggles as

gainst overwork, firings, fascist labor discipline, etc., have been waged by the workers. The Marxist-Leninist Party is in the thick of these struggles, assisting the workers to get organized. But, precisely at this time, the labor bureaucrats have declared that it is illegal to use the trade union apparatus to organize struggle against these attacks. Showing their complete contempt for the workers' basic interests and demands, the labor bureaucrats have hardened their sellout stand. "Nothing can be done. The administration and the government have every right to attack the workers. The workers have no right to resist. That is the contract. That is the law." This statement sums up the stand of the labor bureaucrats. Thus, today it is clearer than ever before that to defend their interests, the workers must organize without and against the labor burreamcrats by relying on their own ef-

Cyclic development-fundamental characteristic of the capitalist economy

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(The following article is reprinted crisis of capitalism to an unprecedent- lanche. The perspentives are gloring production in the U.S.A. will be 1.25% from the Albanian Telegraphic Agency ed extent. During the first two years of and the forecasts show a further ways. Inner than last year while a recess News Buletin, January 20, 1982) the mesert crisis, 1974 and 1975, the loning of the ecoronic indexes buring of 2% is expected to occur in Britain. It industrial production in the capitalist- this year. According to an economic is also expected that prices, inflation "The economy is weak"; "a sailes nevision at countries recorded the survey made in the countext of the Or- and unergologment will rise still more of difficulties rise on some front?", greatest recession after the Second "since last spring a new economic re- World War in Japan 20%, in Britain and Development (CECD), the reces session has started" - such asset 15%, in the U.S.A. 14%, in France sion will continue in the countries of the tions are frequently mained last year and Italy 13%, in West Germany, this organization. The total national OFCD. or the payer of the American press. 10%, etc. This recession was accom-They are repeated by sexice officials panied by the bankruptcy en masse and are mentioned in reports and sur- of the industrial and bank firms, with veys on the country's economy. Ac- the growing chronic mon-exploitation coording to official foracasts, in March of the productive capacities, with the this year the overall national product unprecedented increase of unemploythor will be 2.2% lower that it March ment, irflation and prices. Unemploy-Last year. The same panurama of the ment in six main capitalist countries ecoromic recession is noticed also in trakento gether is now four times greatthe after apptaled and registrated ender at the beginning of the crisis of countries. Last year, the Societ Thion the M's According to efficient data, runrecorded grave feltures in the main employment in the capitalists revision-Entanches of the economy, expecially in instruored has reached the Figure of 100 the energy and mining industries, in million per the, while in fact the unenagriculture, sa The economic difficul- ployer are some dozens of milions thes were aggravated last year in reviewnore. Resides this, in 1979 as against simist China tu, where the immer 1963, the general index of prices of the pikitation of the productive requirities masscarrum or goods reached 728:6% in many breaches of industry has in the U.S.A., 288 9% in Britain, reached 20-30%. The bangeries revi- 1:87.1% in West Germany, 367.7% in would continue to the in the Italy, et. The antinues price rise on grip of the grave crisis which stated in a broad a decismotical in Augorlavia, 1974 and which is showing me signs of time Soviet Trium and in dilthe Cornecon mention countries Revisionist The present exmounitefinancial cri- Claira, thou entracked on the troad of sis is enerof the strongest the world of the frenzed priverise of mass consum-

The tindailtey which the economy raration town adversions the first of the apitelist revisionist world has rmental distractoristic of the varithinst centeral exposes the faisity of the firebeurgeeis and revisionist extramy, ries of the advocates of equitalism, The fact is that during the last 145 who have fired a prove that capital sn years capital in this experimenced the can be developed without crisis. In destructive crisis of overproduction 19 shows that neither the so-called artimes. Eding into vorsideration its mangement of the recomony by the state proportions, intensity, destructive on the tasis of state more poly capital force, duratora of depression and cy- ism mor "the programs" elaborated ale, the present ricianation y those mt by the bourgeois revision ist governlag befind the well'd aconomic crisis aments and parties to shift the burden of 1929 1953, but in some indexes it is off the crisis onto the shoulders of the igraver than that. The infunction over- working people, nor the attempts production visitisis interlaced with the smade by the imperialist and social-in- in their millions the Bran an people agrarian, vieurgy, more tray, raw ma- perial st powers to pass their economic have marched in the schools Jurning blasted from all sides with rationing therial political, morreliand idedogical difficulties conto the back of the other the U.S. imperial sanday and condumnvises, thus sharparing the openeral countries, can stop the orisis ava- ing Catter's threats and ibladamil.

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So a to line upithe American people behirt U.S. imperialism's 'd acknowl and aggressive plans, day in and dray out the American people are being itst, anti-framan propaganda. But the Continued in page 3

THE UAW'S ANTI-JAPANESE

IMPORT HYSTERIA IS BETRAYAL

OF THE AUTO WORKERS

were imposed on the auto workers,

Doug Fraser and the other top UAW

picketed Japanese car dealerships.

They have launched a "Buy Ameri-

can' campaign. They demand that for-

eign auto capitalists must build plants

here and exploit American workers.

And they threaten to "get tough and

push for import quotas." This anti-

import hysteria is a continuation of the

longstanding betrayal of the workers

Presently the auto workers are un-

der savage attack by the auto billion-

aires. Over 200,000 (one out of every

four) auto workers are laid off. Many

plants have been permanently closed,

while threats of even more shutdowns

are issued every day. The overproduc-

tion crisis in the auto industry is again

taking on drastic proportions as the

capitalist economy is rapidly sliding in-

to another recession. The auto workers

are being thrown into the unemploy-

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Moreover, the workers are being

thrown out of their jobs on a massive

scale by the auto monopolists' ruthless

productivity drive. Jobs are being

eliminated through automation (ro-

bots, computers, retooling, etc.) and

through job combination and ferocious

speedup. As well, the old inefficient

plants are being shut down and pro-

duction concentrated in the plants

which exploit the workers to the high-

est possible degree. The workers' live-

lihood is being undermined at a rapid

In this crisis where are the mighty

warriors, the militant labor leaders of

the UAW? These traitors are on the

other side. Fraser has not lifted a fing-

er to defend the workers' jobs from the

by Fraser and his cronies.

hacks have shouted themselves hoarse

(The following article is taken from the smaller workforce. In addition to classifications, speedups and firings The Louisville Worker, newspaper of the walkout on second shift, 150 workthe Louisville Branch of the Marxist- ers in Building #1 on the dryer line Leninist Party of the USA, Vol. 1, No. 3, walked out when GE launched the March 1, 1980.)

waging against the attacks of the GE moneybags. It is a time when the workers should discuss the issues facing them and how to continue their struggle and develop it further. Currently, the GE workers are embroiled in struggle against the vicious productivity campaign of the GE capitalists. This campaign is aimed at maximizing profits by intensifying the workers' labor. In addition, hundreds of workers have been thrown out of their jobs as a result of GE's layoffs. The layoffs pose a problem for the unemployed workers, who suffer a loss of income, as well as the employed workers, who suffer from extreme job insecurity and intensification of their labor. Furthermore, the workers are subjected to increasingly stricter rules imposed upon them by GE in an effort to enforce their productivity campaign. Their policy on absenteeism is particularly harsh, as workers are fired or disciplined for "breaking the rules." These are important issues facing the GE

The GE workers are following the path of active resistance and are learning this is the correct path forward. The workers have refused to accept written "warnings" for absenteeism. They have waged slowdowns against the intensification of their labor and have refused overtime to oppose layoffs. In January, 1200 workers on the second shift of Building #1 walked out in opposition to the productivity campaign. After laying off hundreds of workers, GE then tried to take workers off their regular jobs and put them on other jobs in order to get the

same attack on first shift. This resistance movement of the In March, Local 761 of the IUE will workers terrifies the GE moneybags, hold elections for officers of the union. who are driven into a frenzy in their This is a good time for the workers to efforts to suppress the workers' just assess the important battles they are struggles. To fulfill their aim of sabotaging the workers' struggles, GE seeks to impose a union policy contrary to active resistance. The policy of the rich is embodied in the political line of class collaboration. At GE, this collaboration comes up in the line of "keeping peace in the family." This is the policy promoted by the GE foreman and the opportunist lackeys and agents of the rich in the workers ranks. This policy of "keeping peace in the family" is aimed at suppressing the workers' resistance. It is a line which serves the interests of GE and is a disaster for the workers. The workers and the capitalists are not one "big, happy family," as the rich would like the workers to believe. Rather, the relationship is one of two antagonistic classes. The working class produces all the goods and services in society and the capitalists live the life of luxury by exploiting the working people and performing no labor. These two classes are locked in a life and death struggle for survival and they do not prosper and benefit equally. Rather, one class develops at the expense of the other. The gain of one is the loss of the other. Therefore, there will never be "peace" between the two, nor should there be. The working class is stepping up its just struggle against the reactionary attacks of the capitalists and their government and will continue to fight until its complete emancipation from wage slavery. While GE organizes one attack after another, the workers are told not to resist, but to "keep peace in the family" and that, somehow, this will benefit them, too. However, in reality, GE's productivity campaign has resame amount of production out with sulted in layoffs, the elimination of job

for "absenteeism." And for GE, the productivity campaign has resulted in the workers ranks promote "GE has earnings of \$1.4 billion in 1979 — an increase of 14.6% over the previous year! Thus, it is clear, the policy of meant increased wealth for GE and in- tions and the unjust firings, the creased hardship and poverty for the lackeys are working to sabotage the

While GE carries out its vicious productivity campaign to step up the ex-shifts the burden of the economic crisis ploitation of the workers, the lackeys onto the workers' backs and which are of GE advocate that "GE has the right to organize production as they see fit." This view attempts to sabotage the workers' just resistance to the productivity campaign by telling the workers to sit and passively accept the intensification of their labor. The workers are the actual producers of the appliances at GE. They have every right to er lead the workers to fight layoffs behave a say in how the production is organized and carried out - especially when their working conditions and wages are being attacked so viciously by GE's reorganization of production. In order for the workers to protect their vital interests, they must oppose this view of GE having "the right to organize production as they see fit" and to produce the same amount of applistep up the struggle against the at-

To enforce their productivity campaign, GE uses reactionary rules to suppress the workers' resistance struggle and create an atmosphere of intimidation among the workers. In January, the GE workers exposed the use of security guards' surveillance of the production workers as one way GE is increasing the jailhouse working conditions. GE is also stepping up the firings of workers for absenteeism; and even firing some workers who have accumulated several years of seniority. GE's fascist absentee policy is aimed at instilling fear in the workers on the one hand; and, on the other hand, GE uses the issue of absenteeism to attack the workers for "low productivity" and sow splits among the workers by claiming labor intensification is the result of worker absenteeism, rather than their productivity campaign. The workers have refused to accept written warnings of disci-

pline and have denounced the firings for absenteeism. Yet, the lackeys in the right to make reasonable rules this has been upheld by the NLRB." In this way, while the workers are justly "keeping peace in the family" has resisting the jailhouse working condiworkers' just struggles from within.

Lavoffs are another way in which GE an inevitable outcome of their productivity campaign. The lackeys in the workers ranks completely deny the source of layoffs and call upon the workers to attack their class brothers and sisters in other countries by promoting the lie that "foreign imports cause layoffs." This lie will nevcause it denies the true source of the problem, the monopoly capitalist system, and puts up a smokescreen to let the rich off the hook. While GE is laying off workers, the same amount of production is being put out. By intensifying the labor of the remaining workers and through overtime, GE is able ances with fewer workers. Thus, it is not "foreign competition" which is causing layoffs, but GE's stepped-up

The purpose of all the lies of GE and their lackeys in the workers' movement is to sabotage the just resistance struggle of the workers. Therefore, anyone who has the interest of the workers in mind must not only advocate the fight for the workers interests, but they must also fight against the policy of "keeping peace in the family." This election campaign is a good time to denounce this policy and to stand up for the policy of active resistance against the attacks of the GE moneybags.

Down with GE's productivity campaign!

Oppose unjust firings! Fight GE's layoffs!

Active resistance against capitalist attacks is the correct trade union policy!

Workers in Louisville rally to fight police attack on the MLP

The Louisville Worker, newspaper of police attacks and some organizations the Louisville Branch of the Marxist- made statements in support of com-Leninist Party of the USA, Vol. 1, rade Barbara's struggle. No. 3, March 1, 1980.)

the Louisville police and courts teamed expose the attacks of the rich, popularize the resistance and give the workers orientation and tactics in their struggle, has played an important part in the resistance movement of the Philip Morris workers. The Philip Morris capitalists had hoped that the attacks on November 28 would keep the MLP from speaking to the contract that the capitalists were trying to impose on Branch of the MLP organized a meetthe workers. Philip Morris had hoped ing of the workers to sum up the camto stop the distribution of revolutionary literature to the workers, embroil from Philip Morris and from several the comrades in court battles and other factories and work places attendsmash their influence among the

But the militant Philip Morris workers and the MLP smashed this plot. At the time of the police assault, the workers vigorously denounced the attack and called on the police thug to ing a militant resolution was passed take off his gun and fight the workers. Later, the workers put out the "Open Letter From Philip Morris Militants,' which denounced the jailing of comrade Barbara and supported the MLP's distribution of revolutionary literature at Philip Morris. And with the Party, the workers organized to step up the distribution of revolutionary literature at Philip Morris and at other factories and communities their government. throughout the city. Workers at many

(The following article is adapted from factories came out in opposition to the

The courts pronounced comrade Barbara "guilty" for organizing the In order to suppress the workers Philip Morris workers. Yet the strugfrom developing their struggle against gle of the workers against the unjust the rich, the Philip Morris capitalists, jailing, the Party's campaign against police attacks, the growing citywide up to attack and jail comrade Barbara resistance movement and comrade Powell, a supporter of the MLP (see Barbara's vigorous fight inside the The Workers' Advocate, Vol. 10, No. 1, court itself, all put pressure on the January 15, 1980 for full details). The Philip Morris capitalists and the gov-MLP's work to organize the workers, ernment to back down in their attack. In an attempt to put an end to this issue, keep the politics from coming out in the courtroom and stop the outrage that was developing citywide among the workers and masses of people, the court, on February 8, voided the six months jail sentence against her, and instead imposed probation and fines.

> On February 17, the Louisville paign against police attacks. Workers ed the meeting. They discussed the all-round development of the resistance movement of the workers in the factories, the struggle against fascist police attacks, and the work of the MLP in these struggles. At the meetcalling on the masses of workers to "Step Up the Fight Against the Rich." The resolution declared that the workers present at the meeting would work night and day to organize the workers struggles, extend the distribution of revolutionary literature in the factories and throughout the city, and orient the masses of workers to an active resistance against the attacks of the rich and

Industrial Brutality and Murder by the Philip Morris Capitalists

(The following article is reprinted from had a fatal heart attack while working The Louisville Worker, newspaper of on the third shift at Philip Morris. Mr. the Louisville Branch of the Marxist- White was not feeling well; however, Leninist Party, USA, Vol. 1, No. 3, his foreman would not give him a pass March 1, 1980.)

In the past month, one worker has died of a heart attack while working at Philip Morris and another worker was brutally attacked by a reactionary foreman. The rich owners of Philip Morris will stop at nothing to maximize their profits. Philip Morris sends their doglike foremen to maim the workers and drive them to early deaths. But even these vicious attacks will not stop the workers from stepping up their fight against the Philip Morris billionaires. These savage attacks will strengthen the workers in their fight against Philip Morris' hated program of "utilizing the workers' time"!

on the third shift was brutally attacked by a foreman. The worker's machine was jammed and she repeatedly told the foreman, Ron Leach, to get a mechanic to fix it. Leach, whose only interest is to help the company get out production, ignored the worker's advice to get a mechanic and demanded that she solve the problem and start the machine. When it was clear that the machine was jammed, Leach, act- ing resistance. But no amount of haring like a rabid dog, impatiently grabbed the worker and smashed her even murder will stop the workers thumb in the jammed machine. Even from advancing their resistance athough Philip Morris would like to sweep this incident under the rug like all the other attacks against the work- strength. ers, the workers are discussing it and denouncing the foremen's vile activi- and murder by Philip Morris! ties against them.

On February 21, 1980, Henry C. White, Jr., who was only 50 years old,

for first aid. As a result, some of Mr. White's friends and fellow workers found him passed out on the floor and rushed him over to see the nurse in first aid. This was the last time his coworkers saw Mr. White alive. Philip Morris does not even have a licensed doctor on the third shift nor do they have adequate medical facilities to deal with emergencies like heart attacks. Philip Morris does not care a lick about the workers' health and safety, and is only concerned with "utilizing their time" to the maximum, no matter if it drives the workers to

Both of these savage attacks on the workers' lives and physical well-being On Sunday, February 10, a worker clearly show how the rich fill their pockets at the workers' expense. At Philip Morris, as throughout Louisville, the workers are developing their fight against intensification of their labor, wage cuts, mandatory overtime, fascist labor discipline and reactionary foremen. The Philip Morris moneybags use their foremen like wardens, to harass and attack the workers with the aim of stopping the workers' growassment, brutal physical attacks, or gainst attacks from the rich.

Comrade workers, turn grief into

Down with the industrial brutality Step up the fight against the rich

and their government! IRAN

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precise nature of U.S. imperialism's contradiction with the people of Iran is becoming increasingly clear to the workers and the broad masses of people. On the one hand, the U.S. imperialists want the Iranian oil fields and are striving to reenslave Iran and even have wild dreams of putting the bloody tyrant shah back on his throne. And on the other hand, the Iranian people have risen up in revolution against the plunder and slavery of U.S. imperialism and against fascist tyranny. The American working class and people are demonstrating in numerous ways brothers for the greater glory of the sonable." Not in the least. Rather,

attacks of the auto capitalists. And now he is scrambling to divert the workers' growing anger away from the auto magnates and direct it against the of the rich. They are trying to hitch the auto workers to the coattails of the American auto magnates in their comworkers to regard their class brothers. the workers of other countries, as their enemies. Moreover, the anti-import hysteria aims to trick the workers into eagerly cooperating and sacrificing to make the American monopolies more competitive, as a step towards greater job security. But such cooperation, as the last auto contract proved, means only a one-way trip to the unemployment lines. Fraser's banner of fighting imports to save jobs is a fraud. The UAW bureaucrats have never fought

The Labor Hacks Support the Job Cutting Productivity Drives

they never will.

have always been enthusiastic supporters of the monopoly capitalists' productivity drives. They want the workers to work harder and faster to make the U.S. companies more competitive against foreign imports. They claim that this will somehow protect the workers jobs. Fraser himself, during the 1979 contract negotiations. even declared in a letter to the Detroit News that "The key to higher living standards is higher productivity.' What a hoax! It is the everyday experience of the workers that the productivity drives do not mean protecting jobs and better living standards, but unemployment and poverty.

befallen the Chrysler workers. Last workers are more and more realizing fall the labor bureaucrats were moaning "Chrysler is in trouble. They need they must rely on their own efforts, ophelp to modernize and improve their competitive position. The workers must make concessions in order to mined mass struggle against the rich save their jobs." The contract imposed

on the Chrysler workers turned over (The following leaflet was issued by \$460 million in "sacrifices" to the auto the Detroit Branch of the Marxist- capitalists. In addition, \$200 million Leninist Party, USA, on April 10, was "sacrificed" from the pension fund. These sacrifices did not save a single job. On the contrary, Chrysler Ever since the 1979 sellout contracts continues to retool, shut down inefficient plants and eliminate jobs on a mass scale. Since the contract Chrysler workers have witnessed the closing against foreign car imports. They have of Dodge Main, Lyons Trim, Fostoria Foundry in Ohio, and the announced closing of Eight Mile-Outer Drive Stamping. When questioned about this latest plant closing, UAW Vice-President Marc Stepp replied "Oh, we knew about that a long time ago!" What a shameful admission! All the time they were promising that sacrifices would save jobs, the labor traitors knew that thousands more Chrysler workers would be thrown into the streets! (In all fairness, however, we must admit that there was one job that was saved - Fraser's. He's now on

the Board of Directors.)

But perhaps, some people might say, the hacks have learned their lesson from the Chrysler sellout and will now put up a fight. Not on your life! They still support the capitalists' productivity drives and job elimination schemes down the line. Just listen to the words of Mike Rinaldi, president of the Ford Rouge Local 600: "now that the auto industry management has finally recognized the necessity to get involved in sweeping programs to remake their product lines and retool virtually all of their plants, as an example here on our home grounds, the Ford Motor Company has announced that they will be spending an average of about \$4 billion a year during the 1979-1984 period for retooling." (Ford Facts, March 10, 1980) Rinaldi is well aware of what this "modernization plan" will mean for the workers, as he points out "The Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) recently completed a survey of top manufacturing managers and engineers who predicted that 20% of the workers employed in the direct assembly of a car will be replaced by robots by 1985 and that 50% of the workers will be replaced by 1995. White-collar workers face the same type of unemployment through Japanese. The top UAW hacks have the introduction of microprocessor cranked up their anti-import hysteria technology into the office." (Ford to provide a scapegoat for the crimes Facts, Feb. 11, 1980) But does Rinaldi propose to fight for the workers' job security against these attacks? Not at all. He hails this program to throw petition and economic war with the thousands more auto workers into the monopolists of other countries. And streets. At the same time it is this hey are trying to convince the auto same Rinaldi who is shouting loudest that it is the foreign workers who are stealing jobs! (In fact, it was Rinaldi who organized the picket of the Toyota dealership in Dearborn.)

Only Mass Struggle Against the Rich Can Preserve Jobs

The anti-Japanese campaign is aimed at recruiting the U.S. workers as willing slaves in the capitalists' economic wars and at crushing their resistance to the layoffs, plant closings, for job security for the workers and speedup, job combination and other attacks on their livelihood. But the workers will have none of this. The rabid chauvinist hysteria has not mobilized the masses of workers, but is only a creature of the hacks and the capital-For example, the top UAW hacks ist media. Instead workers are taking into their own hands the struggle to defend their basic interests and to resist the monopoly capitalists' attacks. Workers are organizing slowdowns to meet productivity drive. Strikes are longer and more frequent. Wildcats recently broke out at the Chrysler Tank Plant in Lima, Ohio. There hundreds of workers walked out when Chrysler demanded that they work overtime while other workers were laid off. As well, the International Harvester workers have dealt the capitalists a powerful blow by striking for 5 months against forced overtime and a productivity drive aimed at eliminating 10,000 jobs while increasing sales by Just look at the disaster which has 40%. From their own experience the that to defend their jobs and livelihood pose the sabotage of Fraser and the other UAW hacks, and wage deterauto monopolists.

profits of Exxon and the other "vital

interests" of U.S. imperialism. The barbaric blackmail and warmongering plans against the freedom and independence of the heroic people of Iran are showing the whole world that U.S. imperialism remains a savage and bloodthirsty superpower. The same deadly enemy of the people which perpetrated the most brutal fascist carnage against the valiant peothat they are completely opposed to ple of Viet Nam has not "learned its going to war against their Iranian lesson" and become "tame and rea-

with "peacenik" Carter at the helm, the U.S. warmongers are arming to the teeth as never before to put down with fire and sword the mounting revolutionary liberation struggle of the people from Iran to El Salvador. Under no circumstances can U.S. imperialism be allowed a moment's peace or a free hand to carry out its criminal aggression against the people, but it must be fought tooth and nail at every turn. U.S. imperialism, hand's off Iran!

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CONDEMN THE GOVERNMENT'S PERSECUTION OF IMMIGRANTS

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In a recent raid at the Port Authority Mid-Town Bus Terminal [New York City], the fascist agents of the Immigration and Naturalization Service hauled scores of persons from the lines where they were waiting for buses, as well as from inside the buses, and arrested 85 domestic workers on the charge of being "suspected illegal aliens." These workers were detained for several hours in makeshift detention rooms at the bus terminal; most were then transported to the Federal Plaza Building and then to the jails of the INS. It has been announced that 25 of these workers are to be held for possible deportation to the Caribbean.

This raid followed a much larger raid at a Brooklyn factory some weeks before, where over 300 workers were abused and arrested by the gestapo officials of the Immigration and Naturali-

The stepped-up gangster-style persecution of immigrants and other workers is a conscious and deliberate racist and fascist policy of the government of the rich. "Peacenik" Carter's Attorney General, Benjamin Civiletti, has recently announced that the government plans to focus the hunting down of immigrants at the work places more than at the homes, which are referred to as "Residential Area Control Investigations.'

With this plan, the work places are ing hysteria and terrorizing the immigoing to be policed closer and the raids of the gestapo officials of the INS conducted on a wider scale. They aim to hunt down the immigrant workers and terrorize all the workers, whether of immigrant or other origin, as have occurred with all of the raids carried out by the INS. With the announcement of this plan, the government has codified its policy of launching hitlerite attacks on the immigrant workers in order to step up its attacks on the entire working class.

The Carter administration takes the posture that it is attacking the immigrant workers and people out of its unbounded concern and love for the rest of the working class. The labor hacks of the AFL-CIO are ardent supporters of Carter's campaign against the immigrants, and have banned the admittance of "illegal" workers into their unions. The reactionaries are claiming that by terrorizing the immigrant workers, launching their gestapo raids at work places and homes, while stampeding over all the working class and people, that they are going to provide jobs for other workers and will be making more services available to people. At the same time, the Carter administration has imposed wage controls and back-breaking productivity drives on the entire working class, and has officiated at the firing of hundreds of thousands of workers from their jobs in

cities across the U.S. In reality, the rich and their stooges are carrying out a wild campaign of ly-

grants. This is in order to scapegoat the immigrants for the evils of the man-eating capitalist system of the rich and to disguise the fascist program which the rich are imposing on the entire working class and broad masses of people, to split up their ranks and drive them to further enslavement. When the Carter administration, for example, activated its massive chauvinist crusade against the Iranian people and the Iranian revolution, and announced that the Immigration and Naturalization Service was to carry out a fascist roundup of some 65,000 Iranian students resident in the U.S., to fingerprint, photograph, screen and also deport all who supported their people's glorious revolution, Carter's Attorney General announced immediately after that they

The attacks organized against the immigrant peoples in the U.S. are part of the overall campaign of the government of the rich to suppress the working class movement. The rich aim to hitlerite lies and slanders against create a quiet home front, whereby the them. working class and people would be viciously suppressed into submission to the fascist, warmongering ambitions of the U.S. imperialists. The U.S. imperialists try to confuse who is the enemy of the people in the society, so they single out people of definite national origin, such as the Iranian residents, for special attacks, with the grants.

had plans to investigate all of the esti-

mated 280,000 foreign students resid-

ing in the U.S.

hope of splitting the proletariat and lining up the American working class and people behind this reactionary

In Germany in the 1930's, when the monopoly capitalist system was in deep crisis and the German imperialists were preparing for aggressive war, the bourgeoisie installed Hitler and imposed fascism on the German people. To put the entire German working class and people under fascist slavery and tie them to the Nazi war machine, the Hitlerites carried out the most barbaric persecution and slaughter of the Jews, Slavs and other peoples. In the U.S. today, while the various nazi sects of Hitler worshippers and the Ku Klux Klan carry out open propaganda for Hitlerism, assault and murder people with the protection of the police forces of the rich, the monopoly capitalist state is intensifying the racial discrimination and violent repression against the Afro-American people and other oppressed national minorities. And, the monopoly capitalist state is stepping up its gestapo per secution of immigrants, and floating

In the face of these attacks of the government on the immigrants, the immigrant communities have no choice but to get organized to wage a fierce blow for blow struggle against these attacks. The entire working class and all progressive people must fight the vicious persecution of the immi-

What negro for to do?

What negro for to do?

Take force by force!

Take force by force!

and the original mas tents:

persons into ridicule

To be sure! To be sure! To be sure!'

In 1899, the editorial of the Port-of-

Spain Gazette refers to calypse singing

"There are various bands of these

roughs which have been organised

for the coming carnival (and who)

congregate, we understand, for the

practising of ribald songs which are

to be sung during the two days of

the fete. These songs are for the

most part intended to bring certain

The first known calypso in English is

critical of the Governor Jerningham,

for his interference in the affairs of the

Port-of-Spain City Council. It was sung

The essence of calypso is protest.

The calypsonian has always been the

spokesman for the sentiments of the

oppressed. Following the strike of the

dockworkers in 1919, the calypsonian

We are ruled with the iron hand....

During the famous strike of the oil

workers in South Trinidad in 1937, a

'striker's calypso'' was sung; some of

Against the oil robbers of Trini-

Up till at least 1960, this striker's ca-

On the campus at University of the

West Indies St. Augustine, the Calyp-

so King for 1970, the Mindbender

"If anyone feel it aint go have war in

Is either he deaf, he drunk or he

A great transformation took place in

calypso as a direct result of the occupa-

tion of Trinidad by American imperial-

ist soldiers during the war of 1939-

1945. The capitalist-minded tent man-

agers saw money-making possibilities

in the presence of Yankee soldiers

roaming the streets of the city in

search of entertainment, with their

The hardship of the war years, the

constant shortages and rationing, the

shortage of money and employment,

led to the birth and the rapid growth of

prostitution in the cities. The daugh-

ters and wives of poor workers were

driven by economic hardship to prosti-

tute themselves to American soldiers.

The East Dry River area in Port-of-

Spain and the village of Carenage be-

came the hunting grounds for Yankee

soldiers. The urban men hated the sol-

diers and there were many violent

pockets filled with Yankee dollars.

lypso was sung by Jab Molassi in Fy-

"Class legislation is the order

'Jerningham the Governor

Is a fastness in to you

Is a rudeness in to you

Of the Borough Council"

To break up the laws

'Chinese Patrick' sang:

the lyrics were as follows:

'We workers is so many

Working for de oil company We strike in Point an Fyzabad

of this land

dad....

dis country

dam stupidy....

zabad.

Down with the racist murder of Larry Howard by the Detroit police!

brutally murdered Larry Howard, a 26 year old black worker employed as a rigger at Great Lakes Steel. The murder of Larry Howard is the latest example in the ongoing series of brutalizations, harassments and killings committed against the youth and workers of Detroit by Coleman Young's 'cleaned up' and 'reformed' Police Department.

On the evening of February 25 at

2:30 a.m., Larry Howard and a close friend, a laid off Uniroyal worker, were driving to Larry Howard's house on the southwest side of Detroit when their car ran out of gas. The two young workers then began walking home carrying an empty gas can. Along the way, the two men were stopped by the Detroit police and questioned about what they were doing out on the streets at 2:30 a.m. At this point the police, who treat all the black youth as dangerous criminals, jumped out of their squad car with guns drawn and demanded to search the two men. With his hands in the air, Larry Howard told the police that he had an unloaded gun under his coat and that he would surrender. At this point, police officer Robert May removed the gun from underneath Larry Howard's coat and threw it on the ground. While hurling all sorts of vicious racist abuse at Larry, policeman May then took his police revolver and began to hit Larry across the face, neck and shoulders with the barrel of his gun. With his hands still in the air, Larry Howard demanded that May stop beating him, but May refused. In self-defense Larry Howard punched and knocked the police thug to the ground. Policeman May then got up and shot Larry Howard in the chest at point blank

In an attempt to cover up and justify the brutal racist murder, the Detroit police took the other young worker to jail. During this time, the police were frantic in their attempts to picture the two young workers as criminals. They sent out a teletype to cities as far away as Cincinnati hoping to pin a car theft or hold-up on Larry and his friend. But their efforts were in vain and they had to let Larry's friend go after holding him for several days without charges.

Working hand-in-glove with the police, the Detroit News ran a typical racist story to cover up and justify the working class rule of the rich. The murder of Larry Howard. The newspaper article concocted a whole picture of Larry and his friend as armed gangsters who pulled a gun on the police. The story then went on to prettify the coldblooded murder of Larry Howard by saying that the police "inadvertantly" "discharged" his gun while trying to disarm Larry. These are the same worn-out lies that have been used for years by the police and their apologists in the news media to justify the murders of scores of youth and workers. These concocted stories are used to blame the people for the murderous crimes of the police. They are also used to hide the real criminal histories of the police killers like Officer Robert May, who has taken part in several shootings of the people in the past, including the slaying of a 13 year

old black youth for stealing a bike. The police murder of Larry Howard has come only a few weeks after the brutal beating murder of Edgar Smith

On February 25, the Detroit Police in the 2nd Precinct jail. While in his jail cell, Edgar Smith was beaten by police with a black jack and tortured with an electric cattle prod and then left in agony moaning on the cell floor, only to be found dead hours later. In the days and weeks since the public announcement of Edgar Smith's murder large numbers of youth and workers have come forward to testify about being tortured by the Detroit police using the barbaric electric shock cattle prods. And in recent days, Detroit Chief of Police, William Hart has openly admitted the widespread use of the instruments of torture in the jails and precinct houses across Detroit.

The racist police murders of Larry Howard and Edgar Smith, the countless other unpublicized murders and the recent disclosures of the use of electric (cattle prod) shock torture by the Detroit police all expose the antipeople nature of Coleman Young's administration. Mayor Young is a slick liberal-labor politician. He is the vicechairman of the Democratic Party and a long-time supporter of Jimmy Carter. Coleman Young came to power in 1973 with promises to "clean up the police department" and to abolish STRESS (the police squad which ambushed and murdered more than 20 black people). But it is the same Coleman Young, the "crusader against police brutality and against STRESS," who now has James Bannon, the mastermind and commander of STRESS as the number two man in charge of the police force. Mayor Young has kept the STRESS program but simply left off the name. It is this "street fighter for the people" who has viciously attacked the garbage workers and bus drivers through job eliminations and harassment on the job. The everyday experience of the youth and workers shows that nothing has changed. In Coleman Young's Detroit the youth and workers face constant police harrassment, they are held in the police jail at 1300 Beaubien for days on end with no charges at all or on trumpedup charges, and they see their friends beaten and shot dead on the streets by the police. It is clear that Coleman Young was put into office as a black front man for the capitalist billionaires for the sole purpose of deception to hide and serve the racist and antimurders and terrorism of the police brings home the fact that, behind the "pro-labor" and "pro-minorities" mask of the likes of Coleman Young and the other Democratic Party hacks, the rich are developing reaction and fascism to suppress the working class

and people. The murders of Larry Howard and Edgar Smith and the disclosures of the cattle prod torture scandal have ignited the burning outrage of the people of Detroit. The working class and people of Detroit have a glorious tradition of struggle against exploitation, racial discrimination and violent repression. The police terrorism against the people must be fought with mass revolutionary struggle.

Down with the Racist Police Murder of Larry Howard!

(Leaflet issued by the Detroit Branch of the Marxist-Leninist Party of the USA, March 11, 1980.)

More or less, the Young Brigade

won out and the calypso as we know it

today resulted. However, there are ca-

lypsonians who have resisted the deca-

dence and who have kept Old Brigade-

type calypso alive. The extent of the

city and the Yankee soldiers.

Some of the calypso tents became the dens of obscene vulgarity as singers prostituted themselves and their art to the decadence of the American

A struggle developed between the Old Brigade calypsonians striving to retain the old Kaiso; and the Young Brigade calypsonians offering their art for sale to the Americans by catering more and more to the tastes of the Americans. Smut and all forms of vulgar frivolity took over these tents as nightclub-type entertainment was procontrol of the media over the values and ideas of our people is demonstrated by the fact that the calypsonian who sings protest songs today is regarded as a rebel. **Tourist Festival**

Because of their control of the machinery of the state, the ruling classes have been able to suppress those aspects of Carnival which served the interests of the masses of people with Continued on page 16

Recapture the true spirit of our people's culture -on the origins of carnival

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INTRODUCTION - In this issue of The West Indian Voice, we are concluding the series on the true spirit of the culture of the West Indian people. In Issue No. 8 we presented Part Two of a three-part series on CARNIVAL - THE FESTIVAL OF PROTEST. Carnival, a festival of the people of Trinidad and Tobago, is one of the festivals of the West Indies which is most der the official escort and protection of distorted by the reactionary state in U.S. Navy cars and hundreds of police. the U.S. and its agents in the community. It is a festival of protest which has been converted into a state-funded extravaganza, for the traitors and the state to slander the community as a

"happy-go-lucky bunch of people" and to mock the militant customs and traditions of the West Indian people by promoting in the place of these proud traditions, all sorts of smut and degeneracy, which is then attributed to our community. In order to drag this festival in the mud, the state established the West Indian American Day Carnival Association, run by its well-fed traitors to the West Indian people, and gave to these traitors the task of organ- PASEO. West African topical songs izing the prostitution of the Carnival known as WUSO also were known in which they now call the "West Indian the Caribbean, American Day Parade." In 1977, for example, the state launched the bourgeois black politician and poverty pimp, Percy Sutton, as 'Grand Marshall" of this "parade." And in 1978 almost every politician vying for office was seen on Eastern Parkway in Brooklyn, with Mayor Koch and Governor Hugh Carey on hand and visible. This "parade" was led by these completely soldout agents of the rich, un-

Calypso — Protest or **Obscene Frivolity?**

The shantwell leaders of the stickfight bands became the calypsonians. In many ways this is an oversimplification. The development of calypso as a musical and poetic form has its origins in peasant and tribal cultural forms. In Venezuela, among the people of Amerindian descent, there was a type of topical song known as CARISO. It is felt that the musical form of calypso is influenced strongly by a Venezuelan-Amerindian dance tune known as

It is recorded by Bryan Edwards, an 18th century historian, in The History, Civil and Commercial, of the British Colonies that the slaves sang songs of a calypso type:

"At the merry meetings and midnight festivals they are not without ballads of another kind, adapted for such occasions, and here they give full scope to a talent for ridicule, which is exercised not only against each other but also, not infrequently, at the expense of their owner or employer....

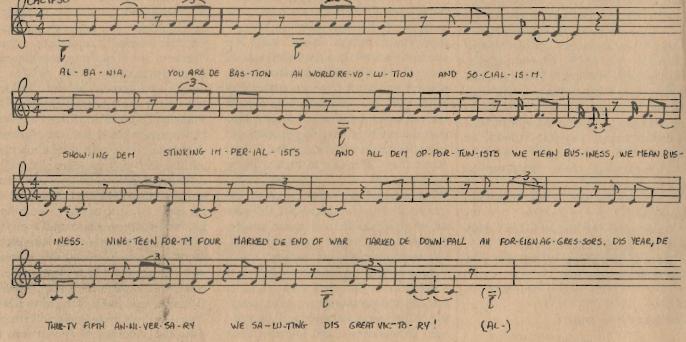
The following is recorded in the Journal of a West Indian Proprietor by Matthew Lewis, a slave owner of Jamaica. This song was sung by the leader of a slave revolt, "the King of the Eboes," during the preparations for

"Oh me good friend, Mr. Wilberforce,

make we free! God almighty thank ye! God almighty thank ye! God almighty make we free! Bukra in this country, no make we

"Albania, Bastion of World Revolution and Socialism"

This is a song written by comrades of the Caribbean Progressive Study Group in New York City



1944 marked de end of war Marked de downfall ah foreign aggressors

Dis year, de 35th anniversary We saluting dis great victory

Albania, you are de bastion ah

World revolution and socialism

All dem opportunists you mean

business

Showing dem stinking imperialists

In we small countries, we enemies Socialism eh go see de light ah day

Dey trying to put a lot ah doubts in we head Well tell dem dey wrong

Is red we turning red

From de example of Albania De masses rising up all de world over Revolution not just an aspiration But a problem taken up for solution

CHORUS

CHORUS

De Chinese rightists, with imperial-Promoting dey 'three worlds theory'

Well we could see is wed dey wed Till death due dem part And is we who killing dem dead

CHORUS

We go win dis war, like dey did in '44 Guided by de PLA and Enver Hoxha Guided by de line ah de CPTT* We going straight down de road to socialism

CHORUS (twice)

*Communist Party of Trinidad and Tobago

clashes between the young men of the

The naked and vicious exploitation of the women was the price extracted from our country for the presence of American imperialist troops.

vided for the Yankee occupiers.

See CARNIVAL



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The Kennedy "Alternative to Inflation" -- Mandatory Wage Controls and Savage Repression of the Workers' Movement

a catastrophic problem confronting the working class and the broad masses of the people. All the capitalist politicians - Democrats and Republicans, Carter, Reagan and the rest - are promising solutions to this major problem. But each of the election year "anti-inflation" schemes of these political flunkeys of the rich amounts to cuts in real wages, speedup, cutbacks in social services, and the continuation of the soaring cost of living. There is no relief from runaway inflation in the false promises and the anti-working class measures proposed by the twofaced capitalist politicians. The same goes for the lies of Senator Ted Kennedy and his supposedly "alternative" measures which are no alternative at

This so-called "liberal" of the wretched "left wing" of the Democratic Party is loudly campaigning for mandatory wage-price controls. This, Kennedy claims, is the only "meaningful alternative" to the "meaningless" measures of the Carter administration. Kennedy stands for the "strong measure" of mandatory wage controls to ban wage increases by government decree. The first objective of such wage controls is to suppress workers' strikes and other mass struggles which are the sole means the workers possess to protect themselves from the ravages of inflation. In short, the Kennedy "alternative" is the same program of monopoly capital to place the entire burden of the economic crisis onto the shoulders of the working masses through the savage repression of the workers' movement through wage freezes, productivity drives, unbearable taxation and no letup in skyrocketing inflation.

Kennedy Stumps for Nixon Style Wage-Price Controls to **Break Strikes and Cut Wages**

Senator Ted Kennedy is the typical liberal-labor political hack of the Democratic Party. Kennedy is the darling of the top trade union bureaucrats and of the social-democrats. Despite its false mask of being "the party of labor and the minorities," the Democratic Party is equally the party of monopoly capitalist reaction as the Republican Party of "big business." And despite Kennedy's false pose as "the friend of the working man," in reality he is a bitter enemy of the working class. Kennedy is not only a multi-millionaire capitalist in his own right, he is also a big flunkey of the monopoly capitalist class as a whole. Clear proof of this fact is Kennedy's loud propaganda for Nixon style mandatory wage-price controls to cut workers' wages and to bring savage repression against the workers' movement.

In his campaign for the Democratic Party nomination for President, Kennedy is making a big fuss about what he describes as Carter's "Republican" policies. As opposed to Carter's "Hooverism" in economic policy, Senator Kennedy as the "true Democrat" is proposing: "an immediate six month freeze on inflation - followed by mandatory controls as long as necessary, across the board -- not only on prices and wages, but also on profits, dividends, interest rates and rent." Kennedy has placed this proposal in the center of his nomination strategy. He has even told reporters that if Carter adopts these measures that he, Kennedy, will return to the Senate to get them passed into law and possibly even abandon his campaign.

According to the demagogical lies of Kennedy and his boosters, a system of wage-price controls is "the only solution" to inflation based on "fairness" and "equality"; unlike the "unfair" and "pro-business" policy of Carter and the Republicans. However, the experience of the workers, both in the U.S. under the Nixon's controls in 1971-73 and in the other capitalist countries, tells a different story. Such controls never have been and never can be "fair" or "equal." Rather, they inevitably only hold down wages while prices are allowed to soar out of sight. Wage-price controls are a fascist measure whereby the state openly throws its full power against the work-

Kennedy's six-month wage freeze means the straightforward banning of wage increases by government decree. His subsequent indefinite period of wage controls means the outlawing of wage increases above a set limit -- a limit set far below the pace of price hikes. For the workers, both mean massive cuts in real wages in the face of runaway inflation. To enforce such

The present 18% rate of inflation is capitalist state power is brought to bear against the workers' just demands. Sanctions are placed against employers who cave in and grant concessions to the workers in violation of the controls. And, if the workers refuse to go along with this wage cutting and carry out strikes to press their demands, the employer will have the federal wage freeze or controls to assist in breaking strikes (the issuing of court injunctions to order the return to work, the breaking of picket lines by the police, the jailing of striking workers, etc., etc.). In short, Kennedy is demanding the iron suppression of the workers' movement.

> On the other hand, Kennedy's proposed freeze/controls on prices and the incomes of the capitalists are a hoax to swindle the masses. Prices as well as "profits, dividends, interest rates and rent" will be controlled in name only while they are allowed to continue to soar upward in fact. The proof of this is, for example, in the government controls of domestic oil and natural gas prices, controls which are very dear to Mr. Kennedy who has, by the way, extensive holdings in the Texas oil fields. Under these controls the prices of domestic oil products and natural gas have doubled and tripled over the last six years, a handful of giant oil corporations continue to rake in record tens of billions of dollars of profits year in and year out. Another example is interest rates which are also controlled by the government via the Federal Reserve. Under these controls interest rates have nearly doubled over the last year. And interest rates have grown so criminally high that proposals have been introduced in various state legislatures for the scrapping of laws against usury which prohibit the 18-20% and even higher interest rates presently being charged by the big banks and other capitalist loan sharks.

> Government controls on the unbridled price gouging and monstrous profit making of the capitalist moneybags is something like having the fox guarding the hen house. To create the illusion that the government is about to take real measures to cut the profits of the big capitalists — a government which is blatantly manipulated by the big banks and corporations, a government which is nothing but an executive committee for managing the common

controls, at the very same time the monstrous strikebreaking force for the business journals, for example, are ex-ruthless suppression of the working plaining how the present 18% rate of inflation is due in part to price hikes in anticipation of Carter bringing down mandatory controls either before or after the election.

Moreover, Kennedy has backed Carter down the line in his policy of the piecemeal introduction of mandatory controls through a system of "voluntary guidelines." As Kennedy told the Washington Post on January 20:

"What I'm calling for is an active, effective voluntary wage-price guidelines policy." So, underneath all the rhetoric and demagogy, the only real contradiction between Kennedy and Carter on the question of wage controls is how "actively," "effectively" and "immediately" they are clamped down against the workers' movement.

Kennedy is not only treading in the footsteps of Jimmy Carter, but in those of Richard Nixon as well. Kennedy's proposed wage-price freeze/controls are a carbon copy of those imposed under the Republican administration of the fascist Nixon from 1971 to 1973. Such is the absurdity of Kennedy's noise about "true" Democratic versus Republican policy. Both of these big parties of monopoly capital worked hand in hand to wield Nixon's controls against the workers. It was Senator Kennedy himself who called on the capitalists to resist any wage increases that were not linked to increased productivity (that is to allow wage hikes necessary to keep pace with inflation only on the condition the workers slave harder for the capitalist employers.) This is the same call which Kennedy is issuing today. And it was Kennedy and the Democrats in Congress, those alleged "friends of labor," who pushed through the legislation under which Nixon imposed his fascist wage

Wage-Price Controls Cannot Relieve the Burden of Inflation on the Masses

Kennedy's boosters object to equating his mandatory controls with those of hated Nixon. Allegedly Kennedy is different - the "champion of the working man." Therefore, unlike Nixon, Kennedy will pursue a policy of "equal sacrifice for all," that is, while holding down wages he will at the same time not only hold down prices



affairs of the monopoly capitalists in their robbery and oppression of the working class and people - is simply to throw dust in the eyes of the masses. At most Kennedy's proposed freeze/controls will mean the temporary slowing of price increases only for them to skyrocket again after the controls have been lifted and the workers have already been locked into three year low wage contracts.

This proposal for mandatory controls, Kennedy claims, is what separates himself, the "true Democrat," from Carter, the "closet Republican," and provides the "alternative" to four more years of the policy of Carter and "his Republican colleagues." This is a very telling admission on Kennedy's part. In fact, it is a self-confession that both Kennedy and Carter, the "true Democrats" and the "closet" and avowed Republicans, all share an identical anti-working class program.

Since taking office Carter has been striving to rig up the same fascist system of wage controls as advocated by Kennedy. Carter has been systematically strengthening his "voluntary wage-price guidelines" in order to force wage cuts on the workers and to set up the machinery for clamping down with fully mandatory controls.

Thus, while Carter continues to a wage freeze or controls the entire mouth his "opposition" to mandatory

but also profits, interest, etc. And through this "evenhandled" and "fair" policy, inflation will be "frozen" and then "worked out of the system" altogether. So says Doug Fraser of the UAW and the other trade union sellouts on the Kennedy bandwagon. But this is all so much eyewash.

In the first place, this "equitable" policy takes as its basic premise the same worn-out capitalist lie that wage increases are part of the cause of inflation. The fact of the matter is, wage levels have nothing to do with inflation. How else can it be explained that inflation is soaring at twice the pace of wage increases, leaving the workers 7.4% behind in real takehome pay over the last year alone? The freezing of wages means only one thing: more profits for the capitalist employers. And conversely, a raise in wages only means that much less in profits. Therefore, freezing wages will neither "freeze inflation," nor will it be "equitable," but it will mean more profits for the moneybags and more poverty for the workers.

Secondly, there can be no "equality" in the relentless class struggle between worker and capitalist. In particular, the government cannot be considered a neutral arbiter to ensure "equal sacrifice from all." Rather, the monopoly capitalist government is a

class and the oppressed masses. There is no such thing as "equality" between the exploiters and the exploited. The policy of the government of the rich, no matter how many fine words of "fairness" and "equality" disguise this policy, is invariably an unequal policy in favor of the merciless exploitation of the working class and the broad masses of the people by a handful of powerful capitalist billionaires.

And finally, even if prices were frozen or restrained for a short period of time, this could not "work inflation out of the system." The present runaway inflation is completely intertwined with the deep crisis which has the monopoly capitalist system in its clutches, demonstrating that this system is in decline and is rotting alive. In particular, the last years of rampaging inflation on top of recession and economic stagnation is a reflection of the fact that all the contradictions of the parasitic system have become bound up with one another, resulting in an extremely acute and comprehensive cri-

Among other factors, inflation has its roots in the tremendous growth in government expenditures. This includes the massive spending for the artificial stimulation of the economy, and the enormous growth of the military and bureaucratic apparatus for aggression abroad and oppression of the working masses at home. The billions of dollars that are poured into the manufacture of weapons and the building of prisons, the lavish handouts to the corporations and banks, and all the other reactionary activities of the capitalist state are covered in part by inflationary deficits.

In this regard Kennedy is one of the foremost promoters of the huge growth of repressive state machinery. It should be remembered that our "anti-inflation" hero, Senator Kennedy, supports Carter's unprecedented military budgets; is a principal author of the Senate's Criminal Code Reform Law, which is a major piece of fascist legislation for beefing up the repressive police state in the U.S.; and is an advocate of providing more "incentives" to the corporations.

A further source of inflation is the rampant speculative ventures of the big financiers.

The current rampaging inflation which is ruining the masses is, at the same time, a source of fabulous profits for the millionaires and billionaires. Consequently runaway inflation cannot and will not be brought under control by government decree, by mandatory wage-price controls nor any other anti-working class measure. For the masses, the only relief from the ravages of inflation is in the uncompromising class struggle against the rich. And the only way to put an end to the monster of inflation is to do away with the monstrous monopoly capitalist system that has produced it in the first

An Important Political Lesson

Kennedy's election campaign propaganda for mandatory wage-price controls provides an important political lesson. This repressive measure is being most ardently fought for by the "liberal" hero of the "left wing" of the Democratic Party. And the most vocal support for Kennedy's strikebreaking controls is coming from the top trade union bureaucrats, particularly from the more "militant" socialdemocratic backs of the UAW and the IAM. Just as Nixon's wage-price controls were prepared for and applauded by the Democrats and labor traiters, today too, it is these champions of liberal-labor politics which are in the advanced posts of political reaction against the working class. This is further evidence of the conclusions drawn by the Founding Congress of the MLP USA which pointed out:

"The Democratic Party and the Republican Party are ruling parties of monopoly capital, parties of imperialism and rabid reaction. They have a common program, but while the Republicans are the open party of the rich, the Democrats are the main party for the deception of the workers. For decades, the reactionary Founding Congress stressed the conprogram of big capital, the fascization of the state and society, and the savage attacks on the workers' tionalities has been carried out re-'pro-labor' and 'pro-mimorities' demagogy."

THE EVOLUTION

a result of the collaboration between the Nixonite fascists and the "left wing" of the Democratic Party. "Liberals" and conservatives, Democrats and Republicans have worked together to develop new attacks on the revolutionary mass movements.

The efforts of the monopoly capitalist class to put together and enact a comprehensive "Criminal Code Reform Bill" originated in 1966 under the Democratic Party administration of Lyndon B. Johnson. 1966 was a time when the black people's struggle against racial discrimination and violent suppression was raging, and when the mass movement against U.S. aggression in Indochina was rapidly growing in size and militancy. It was a time when an explicitly revolutionary movement was developing. The bourgeoisie put forward the idea of a "Criminal Code Reform Bill" as a response to the revolutionary upsurge of the 1960's. With this project, the exploiters were preparing new means of repression of the mass movements and the revolutionary organizations.

In 1966 Lyndon Johnson, himself a war criminal, received the approval of Congress to establish the National Commission on Criminal Law Reform. He appointed as its chairman the then California Governor, the "liberal" Democrat Edmund G. Brown, the father of the present California Governor Jerry Brown. This Committee included Republican Senator Roman L. Hruska of Nebraska, Democratic Senator Sam Ervin, Jr. of North Carolina and the Dixiecrat John L. McClellan of Arkansas, and others. Thus LBJ's Committee consisted of both Democrats and Republicans and of both 'liberals' and Dixiecrats. All three Senators belonged to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The Brown Commission submitted its final report on Januar 7, 1971 during the presidency of fascist fanatic and war criminal Richard Nixon. Shortly before receiving the Brown report, Nixon had set up a Criminal Code Unit with the Justice Department under the then Attorney General (and now convicted Watergate felon) John R. Mitchell to produce a version of the Criminal Code Reform legislation. The efforts of Nixon's "Justice" Department resulted in the "Criminal Code Reform Act" of 1973 called S-1400. It was introduced into the Senate Judiciary Committee by Senators Hruska and McClellan on March 27,

Meanwhile Senators Hruska and McClellan and others had held two bill." Thus Kennedy and the "left" years of hearings on the Brown Commission Report in the Senate Judiciary Committee and produced their own "Criminal Justice, Codification, Revision and Reform Act of 1973," called S-1 for short.

Throughout 1973 and 1974, more hearings were held to combine the Nixon administration's proposal with the similar version produced by the Senate committee. And on January 15, 1975 a revised S-1 was introduced in the Senate Judiciary Committee by Republican senators Hruska and Hugh Scott (Pa.) and Democrats McClellan and Mike Mansfield (Mont.). This bill, both in its 1973 and 1975 versions, won the hatred and contempt of all progressive people. S-1 was widely known as a Nixonite fascist bill. And while it is just to refer to S-1 as a Nixonite bill. in all accuracy it should also be born in mind that it was produced through a combined effort of the administrations of both LBJ and Nixon and of both "liberal" and Dixiecrat senators.

Antid nauch controversy, S-I failed to pass the Senate Judiciary Committee and was still stuck there when the 94th Congness closed at the end of 1975. At this time the prince of liberals, Senator Ted Kennedy, pranced onto the scene to rescue this fascist bill for the sake of arming the monopoly capitalist class to the teeth against the revolutionary mass movement. Senator Ted Kennedy concluded an alliance with the open reactionary Dixiecrat Senator McClellan. Mainly under Kennedy's leadership, S-1 was slightly pared down by the Senate Judiciary Committee, revised, touched up, given a thin coat of paint and prepaned for passage. A mist of perfume was sprayed onto the bill to fool the

clusion that stepping up the fight against the liberal labor politics of the Democratic Party and its "left-wing" movement and the oppressed na- flunkeys is absolutely necessary to advance the revolutionary working class: peatedly on the basis of liberal-labor movement. With this stand the workpolitics and under a signboard of ing class is building its own independent: political movement, irreconcilably opposed to the anti-working class And from this assessment, the and fascist program of the rich.

The history of S-1722 shows that it is masses. For example, the provisions concerning the death penalty and gun control were removed. This was simply a deal by Kennedy, as it should be born in mind that Senator Kennedy is one of the ardent partisans of gun con trol, that is keeping guns out of the hands of the people. Kennedy stated that it was necessary to reword passages of the bill that were too outspoken and replace them with the empty hypocrisy so beloved of liberals, while preserving the reactionary features under new names. As Kennnedy said, referring to the necessity to oppose the use of the phrase "preventive detention" while preserving the actual provisions for preventive detention: "Occasionally, as we learned in the early 1970's, government itself inflames the problem by encouraging...law and order rhetoric." Thus Kennedy was only opposed to "law and order rhetoric" while in favor of the actual provisions for Nixonite "law and order."

> On May 2, 1977 Senators Kennedy and McClellan introduced S-1437, popularly known as the "son of S-1," into the Senate Judiciary Committee. On January 30, 1978, after a short debate on the Senate floor, S-1437 passed overwhelmingly. However the House Judiciary Committee failed to pass a House version of S-1437 and the 'son of S-1" collapsed.

> But Kennedy did not give up. Loyal to the monopoly capitalist dictators and their police state, he tried again to pass this bill. Since his Dixiecrat partner McClellan had died, Kennedy this time allied with the notorious Senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina, former Democratic Party Dixiecrat who had joined the Republican Party. Together they pushed S-1722, popularly known as "the grandson of S-1," through the Senate Judiciary Committee on Dec. 4, 1979. The full Senate is expected to debate S-1722 this spring. The bourgeois media predicts that it will pass the Senate with the same large majority that passed S-1437 two and one-half years ago. This bill, S-1722, has the fervent backing of the Carter administration. The House version of the bill (HR 6233) was passed by the House Subcommittee on Criminal Justice on March 11, 1980 and is expected to pass the full committee soon, reaching the House floor for a vote in late spring or summer.

> Thus the Nixonite fascist bill S-1 was originated by the Brown Commission and transformed into first S-1437 and then S-1722 mainly by Senator Kennedy. Indeed The New York Times flatly states that S-1722 in "Kennedy's wing of the Democratic Party have been in the forefront of the fascization of the American government and police apparatus. While Nixon called for "law and order," Kennedy and the Democrats achieve the same objectives under the "liberal" and "prolabor" signboard. Some social-democrats have attempted to justify their support for the Democratic Party by speculating on this or that difference in the original proposals from the Brown Commission, dominated by the Democratic Party, and the present versions of S-1. What a fraud! Former Governor Edmund Brown himself fully supports S-1722. For that matter, his son Governor Jerry Brown also supports S-1722. The entire big bourgeoisie and its political representatives are working to fascize the state, while the social democrats are their righthand men in prettifying this fascism as government measures to help the

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GO ALL OUT TO FIGHT U.S. IMPERIALISM!

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The U.S. is a monstrous imperialist superpower. It has earned the hatred of the world's people. The same war criminals that ravaged Indochina are now threatening war in the Middle East to preserve their "vital interests," namely, the fantastic superprofits of the big U.S. oil monopolies, of the Rockefellers and big bankers. U.S. imperialism is still protecting the bloody hangman, the Shah of Iran, and seeking to strangle the Iranian people's democratic revolution. Carter is shedding fake tears over the savage Russian social-imperialist aggression against Afghanistan in order to whip up war hysteria and to spur on the Pentagon's war preparations. History has shown that U.S. imperialism will commit any crime - no matter how hideous, any aggression — no matter how bloody, in pursuit of political domination and of economic plunder for the big multinational corporations.

U.S. imperialism also means starvation and fascism at home for the working masses. Lenin taught in his book Imperialism, the Highest Stage of Capitalism that imperialist aggression is not just an unfortunate or un-

wise policy of this or that politician. Imperialism is a whole economic and political system, it is monopoly capitalism. The capitalist billionaires are impoverishing the people with mass layoffs and wage cuts, with soaring energy prices and runaway inflation, with heavy tax increases and automatic utility rate hikes, while the work places are hellholes of speed up, exhaustion and murderous industrial "accidents." They are building more and more jails, murdering blacks, Mexicans and people of other nationalities, and preparing ever harsher means to suppress the working class and all progressive people. This monstrous oppression by the exploiters is met by the growth of indignation among the workers, who are in struggle against the capitalists and the labor bureaucrats. It is met by the struggles of the oppressed nationalities and by numerous other struggles against growing fascism. Imperialism is producing its own gravediggers at home as well as abroad. It is a dying system, shaken by all-round crisis. But as long as monopoly capitalism exists in the U.S., it will mean imperialist aggression abroad. And it will mean that the American people remain enslaved and exploited

under the dark rule of the rich, of the racists, reactionaries and monopolists.

The Democratic Party headed by Carter is presently the ruling party of U.S. imperialism. Along with the Republican Party, it is heading for war, pushing for the draft, and demanding the continued frenzied production of nuclear weapons. Yet at the same time, the Democratic Party is trying to infiltrate the anti-draft and anti-nuclear movements through its feeble "left wing," which has always been big in promises and impotent in action. The flunkeys of the Democratic Party are seeking to subvert the mass protest, to tie it to the tails of two-faced imperialist politicians like Kennedy and Brown, and to liquidate it altogether. The mass movement must take up independent politics, the independent class politics of the working class, and oppose the political parties of the rich. It is the Marxist-Leninist Party that is the party of the class conscious working class. All progressive people should rally around the Marxist-Leninist Party, the party of genuine political independence from, and struggle against the rich.

Forward in the struggle against imperialism! U.S. imperialism is a world

slavemaster and it is preparing terrible new crimes in order to preserve and extend its world plunder. It must be fought every step of the way. Step up the movement to fight the militarism and the aggressive plots of imperialism! Direct the demonstrations and rallies, protests and actions, squarely at U.S. imperialism! Denounce the Democratic and Republican Parties, the parties of the rich, and treat their political hacks with the contempt they

deserve! Work hard at going out among the largest number of workers, students, youth and progressive people and at bringing them into the fight against imperialism! Read and distribute revolutionary literature! Study the revolutionary theory of Marxism-Leninism in order to wage a truly conscious struggle! The vigorous development of the anti-imperialist movement is a powerful blow that is feared by the imperialists. It is part of the prepara-

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Down with the U.S. nuclear energy program!

IT IS AN IMPERIALIST PROGRAM AND HAS BEEN LINKED TO WEAPONS PRODUCTION FROM THE START

The Marxist-Leninist Party is totally opposed to the criminal and barbarous U.S. nuclear energy program. This program is completely bound up with U.S. imperialist war preparations. It is a program of deadly radioactive poisoning of the people; a program of wild profiteering; and a program of increased U.S. monopolization of world energy resources and domination of other countries. The U.S. nuclear program is rooted in the imperialist economic and political system. To effectively oppose this program it is necessary to take up the fight against imperialism.

The U.S. nuclear power program is

closely linked with war preparations. It was originally developed as a byproduct of the development of nuclear weapons. The U.S. imperialists use the development of the nuclear reactors to provide research and development, as well as plutonium, for bombs. One of the first applications of nuclear reactors was to provide power plants for submarines and aircraft carriers. And the feverish construction of nuclear power plants is now an important part of the stockpiling of domestic energy resources in preparation for aggressive war. Nuclear power is particularly favorable for energy stockpiling as it is relatively immune from interruption by the people such as from the Iranian revolution and the strikes of the coal miners.

Nuclear power generation is an extremely poisonous process. Deadly radioactivity is emitted from the mining of uranium, from fuel processing and from the everyday operation of reactors. Enormous quantities of nuclear waste are piling up from the existing reactors, but there is still no reliable method for the disposal nor even longterm storage of the extremely toxic wastes. It is estimated that 300 to 2,500 cancer deaths will occur due to the accident at Three Mile Island one year ago. A catastrophic reactor meltdown could kill up to 45,000 people, according to a study of the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) itself. Cancer and sickness for the people go hand in hand with the nuclear program, yet its development by the rich continues unabated. This is not so surprising. One can expect nothing else from the U.S. imperialists who have committed such genocidal aggression and murder in Viet Nam, Iran and many other coun-

The building and operation of nuclear reactors provide colossal prefits to the finance capitalists, the construction and engineering giants, and the energy monopolies. These profits are being extracted from the working masses through automatic rate increases in the skyrocketing utility bills and through ever increasing taxation.

U.S. monopoly corporations export nuclear reactors to many countries, while retaining control over them by controlling the nuclear fuel and other technology. The export of nuclear power reactors helps the U.S. imperial-

ists to further monopolize world energy sources. This not only provides huge profits but also creates tighter political domination by the U.S. over its vast neo-colonial empire and contributes to its drive toward imperialist world domination.

cannot be "reformed" and made peaceful, safe nor humane. It must be liquidated lock, stock and barrel. The U.S. imperialists are intensely committed to nuclear power because it serves their vital interests. They have been stubbornly resisting its liquidation and will continue to do so. Therefore, the fight against the nuclear energy program must necessarily take up the fight against imperialism.

Carter's Hysterical "Energy Shortage'' Fraud Is Blackmail in Support of Nuclear Power

Carter and the Democratic Party are fervent advocates of nuclear power and dichard representatives of imperialism. Nuclear power is one part of Carter's overall energy program. Just as Carter uses fake energy shortages to impose skyrocketing oil and gas prices on the masses, he also promotes the fraud of an "energy shortage" to justify the nuclear power reactors and cram them down the people's throats. The U.S. does not suffer from an "energy shortage" but is in fact swimming in energy resources. Even without importing any oil or the use of any nuclear power, the U.S. has abundant natural gas, petroleum and coal deposits to last for many, many decades, until long after all sorts of other energy sources are in use.

The oil monopolies and their government apologists shout about U.S. "dependence on oil imports." But the U.S. doesn't import oil due to a domestic shortage. The U.S. used to be the world's major exporter of oil. It changed to an oil importer as it stepped up its plunder of world oil resources. The main reason the U.S. pursues foreign oil and other energy sources is not to supply U.S. energy needs. Rather, the U.S., just like any other imperialist power seeks to monopolize all sources of raw materials, energy, etc. Through its control over world oil markets, the U.S. not only makes huge profits, but is also able to exercise hegemony and control over other countries.

Carter screams about "conservation" and "afternative energy" to supposedly alleviate this nonexistent shortage. But Carter's talk about conservation has nothing to do with stopping the criminal waste of energy and other resources committed by the monopoly capitalists. Extravagant waste is profitable and will exist as long as vironmental regulations, to blame the people for the wastage of the corporate exploiters, and to justify "conserving oil" by using nuclear power.

Carter's talk about "alternative energy" is for the purpose of pushing nu-

of dollars to the energy monopolies to help them develop, monopolize and stockpile all other energy resources. He is emphasizing those "synfuels" that are best suited to military use. At the same time, Carter is promoting The U.S. nuclear energy program schemes of small-scale energy production such as solar and wind power in order to divert the protest movement into following the futile illusion that the power of the energy monopolies can be broken by such schemes. The problems caused by large-scale capitalist production can only be resolved by large-scale socialist production, established through the revolutionary expropriation of the monopoly capitalist class. Nostalgic dreams glorifying the bygone days of chopping wood and

> duction will solve nothing. The Democratic Party and its flunkeys use the blackmail and fraud of an "energy shortage," and the slogans for "conservation" and "alternative energy," to confuse the people, prettify capitalism and justify the reckless development of the nuclear power re-

other small-scale capitalist petty pro-

Mass Revolutionary Struggle Is the Path Forward

The anti-nuclear movement is a powerful force against the criminal U.S. nuclear energy program. This movement is closely linked with the vigorously developing movement against the reinstitution of the military draft and against all imperialist war preparations. The target of the antinuclear movement, its enemy, is imperialism. For this reason, the anti-nuclear movement is faced with every conceivable type of opposition from the lying capitalist politicians, among them first and foremost Carter and the entire Democratic Party.

Some Democratic Party big shots, notably Brown and Kennedy, feign opposition to the U.S. nuclear program. This is a fraud. Kennedy has made several vague statements in opposition to nuclear power plants. Kennedy is just like Carter, who said he was "against' nuclear plants in the 1976 elections. Kennedy is not against nuclear power plants, but is in favor of a better U.S. government whitewashing of the dangers they present to the people. And Kennedy is co-sponsoring the Criminal Code Reform Bill S-1722, the "grandson of S-1," which is straightout fascist legislation. This Bill contains sweeping new anti-conspiracy laws, legalizes preventive detention of those who might "possibly" commit a crime, and provides for even harsher sentencing for those convicted of fedcapitalism exists. Carter talks about eral offenses. And Kennedy's attitude conservation to justify the lifting of en- to the anti-nuclear movement is revealed in that this Bill not only virtually outlaws demonstrations against the government, but it especially outlaws mass actions at nuclear plants. The "anti-nuclear" Kennedy is an identical animal to Carter. The vassals of the Democratic Party who are pushing Kennedy for president are also in fact preparing the ground to support Carter in the 1980 elections under the worn-out logic that Carter is the "lesser of two evils." As for Brown, everyone knows he'll say anything to get elected. Both Kennedy and Brown are diehard imperialists, and once you scratch the surface, warmongers as well. The entire Democratic Party and its multitude of flunkeys loosely comprising its "left wing" all agree with

nuclear power: the fraud of an "ener-

clear power, and for handing billions gy shortage" and the trickster slogans for "conservation" and "alternative energy.'

The Democratic Party and its flunkeys are trying to infiltrate the anti-nuclear movement in order to liquidate it. They want to utterly destroy any aspect of uncompromising opposition to the nuclear energy program and to imperialism. To do so they are trying to transform the anti-nuclear movement from the path of mass struggle to the path of electoral politicking for the presidential elections, to elect another liar to replace Carter, who some feel has lost his "credibility" and is washed up. They are trying to hitch the anti-nuclear movement to the Democratic Party; to have it drop its demands against nuclear energy and become transformed into a patriotic pressure group for the passage of this or that aspect of Carter's energy program. The struggle against the U.S. nuclear program can only advance in the course of resolute opposition to the attacks and sabotage of the Democratic Party and all of the apologists for imperialism.

The U.S. imperialists, Russian social-imperialists and other imperialists have made a monster out of their nuclear programs. The U.S. nuclear program must be stopped entirely. Only under socialism will research be developed on how to master nuclear energy for mankind's benefit, and not as today to whitewash its dangers and prepare for war. Only the socialist system has no interest in developing nuclear power prior to the time when mankind will achieve genuine mastery over the technology involved.

The U.S. nuclear energy program is not a temporary aberration or mistake. The monopoly capitalist dictators know exactly what they are doing. There is no such thing as a humane imperialism, an imperialism that doesn't frantically arm for wars of aggression, systematically exploit the people for maximum profits, or which has any concern about the well-being of the masses of the people and whether or not they are being poisoned by radioactivity or any other kind of pollution. Therefore, the fight against the U.S. nuclear program must not be based on appealing to the mythical "good intentions" of this or that section of the monopoly capitalist class, of the capitalist government, or of lying Democratic Party politicians. The appeal is directed to the masses of people to draw them into revolutionary struggle for the total elimination of the nuclear energy program, for the exposure of the monopoly capitalists and their political spokesmen and tricksters of all varieties.

Mass revolutionary struggle against imperialism is the true path forward for the anti-nuclear movement.

Mass Revolutionary Struggle Is the Path Forward for the Anti-Nuclear Movement

(The following is a leaflet issued by the Chicago Branch of the Marxist-Leninist Party, USA for a public meeting, held on March 22, marking the first anniversary of the incident at Three

Since the nuclear breakdown and near-catastrophe at the Three Mile Island (TMI) nuclear power plant one year ago, on March 28, 1979, a big upsurge of mass opposition to the reactionary U.S. nuclear program has developed. Massive demonstrations, which have involved hundreds of thousands of people, have taken place at nuclear reactor sites, nuclear weapons plants, nuclear waste dumps, uranium mining areas, at the Wall Street banks and financial houses, and in Washington against the U.S. government. All across the country, groups have arisen to protest the U.S. nuclear program. People have formed study groups and other organizations, and distributed literature at schools, factories, and in communities. The nuclear poisoning affects everyone and there is not a place in the country where the poisonous wastes are not shipped through or stored. Among the people the opposition to the production of nuclear weapons and the all-round preparations for war of U.S. imperialism, continues to grow. The demand of the masses of people is that the nuclear program be eliminated in its entirety, both the domestic reactors and the nuclear weap-

This upsurge of the anti-nuclear movement, the development of the political consciousness and activity of the masses of people in calling for the complete destruction of the criminal and barbarous U.S. nuclear program is a severe blow to the wild profiteering and warmongering aims of U.S. imperialism. In fighting against the reactionary U.S. nuclear program, the struggle is directed against the imperialist system itself. The U.S. nuclear program is completely rooted in the socio-economic and political system of imperialism. The energy monopolies, the financial magnates, the state machine, the Republican and Democratic Parties are all committed to the wild profiteering, neo-colonial domination and plunder, and the war preparations which are the basis for the development of the criminal U.S. nuclear pro-

In the face of the development of the anti-nuclear movement, the U.S. imperialists are not giving up their aims of world domination and preparation for war which form the basis of the nuclear program. Since the TMI near-catastrophe one year ago, the U.S. impe-

rialists have continued to escalate their war preparations. The deployment of nuclear weapons in Western Europe has increased. Plans for the deployment of nuclear weapons in the Persian Gulf have been developed. The U.S. imperialists are forging ahead with the building of the MX missile system. The U.S. imperialists are developing chauvinist campaigns against the Iranian revolution to preserve their world domination of oil. The U.S. imperialists are preparing to reintroduce the draft to use the American people as cannon fodder in their wars of aggression. The domestic nuclear reactor program has been restarted, and the U.S. government is preparing to bring the storage and transport of nuclear waste under the direct control of the military for reprocessing for more bombs. In the face of the development of the anti-nuclear movement, the U.S. imperialists have not become reasonable in the least about the development of their nuclear program.

Can the U.S. government, which

dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima. and Nagasaki, slaughtering over 200,000 people, and then went on to feverishly develop nuclear weapons to ensure its world domination, be at all reasonable? Can the U.S. government, which feverishly developed its entire nuclear program without regard to the safety of the masses of people and without solving any of the safety issues connected with nuclear power, be at all reasonable? Can the U.S. government, which has continued to develop the nuclear program after the near-catastrophe at TMI and in spite of the massive opposition of the American people, be at all reasonable? Can the U.S. government, which has not touched a single hair on the heads of the nuclear billionaires and warmongering militarists who are responsible for the poisoning and death of hundreds of thousands of people, while this government arrests and persecutes opponents of the criminal and barbarous U.S. nuclear program, be at all reasonable? No, it cannot. The U.S. government is nothing more than a front man for the energy billionaires, and nothing more than a machine for waging war against the people in the U.S. and throughout the world. It has not been one individual which has developed the monstrous U.S. nuclear program, nor even just one of the political parties. The development of the U.S. nuclear program is intimately bound up with the wild profiteering and warmongering aims of the imperialist system itself. The path forward for the anti-nucle-

ar movement is that of revolutionary struggle against the billionaire exploiters and imperialism. Only the mass struggle has the strength and vitality to strike a real blow at the nuclear enengy program. It is only the drawing into conscious life and struggle of the masses of working and progressive people that is the life of the anti-nuclear movement and the true road forward.

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and students have plunged into mass struggle against Carter's call to reintroduce draft registration. This is a correct and important struggle which deserves the full support of the working class and all progressive people. Draft registration is one in a whole series of warmongering measures being taken by the Carter government. It is part of the preparations to launch new wars of imperialist conquest, to fight the Soviet social-imperialists for markets and spheres of influence, to drown in blood the anti-imperialist struggles of the working masses all over the globe. Carter's plans for aggression and war are the inevitable product of the imperialist system of exploitation, enslavement and plunder of the people by a handful of monopoly capitalist billionaires. The anti-draft movement is fighting against the U.S. war preparations. In this struggle, opposition to imperialism must be put in the forefront and the people organized for mass revolutionary strug-

The Carter Government Is Preparing for Imperialist War

With draft registration for 18, 19 and 20 year olds, Carter is preparing to reintroduce the hated military conscription for millions of the sons and daughters of the working masses. He is revitalizing the Selective Service System, setting up the local draft boards, and getting ready all of the mechanisms to quickly force millions of young people into the aggressive U.S. army. Draft registration, as with other proposed plans like compulsory national service for all youth, aims at militarizing the young people. As well, women are to be drafted too, thus stepping up the militarization of women. Draft registration is a further attempt to generate a war hysteria and to prepare the youth to become cannon fodder in the aggressive adventures of U.S. imperialism against the working

class and people of other countries. Carter has declared that draft registration and his other war preparations are to "defend" America's "vital interests." But it is clear that these are only the vital interests of the oil tycoons and other monopoly capitalist moneybags and not the interests of the American working masses. Carter has proclaimed the sacred right of U.S. imperialism to dominate and enslave the people of the entire Persian Gulf oil region. He is directly admitting that the war he is preparing is a war for oil, a war to safeguard the enormous superprofits of Exxon, Texaco and the other U.S. oil billionaires plundered from the people of the countries of the Middle East. Even when Carter sheds crocodile tears over the brutal Soviet social-imperialist invasion of Afghanistan, it is not the freedom and independence of the people that he is concerned about. He is using this savage act of aggression by the Soviet New Tsars to intensify U.S. imperialism's own aggressive activities. He is getting ready to launch aggression to drown in blood the anti-imperialist revolution of the Iranian masses and to suppress the other people of the Middle East. He is preparing to fight the Soviet social-imperialists over which imperialist superpower gets how much of the loot robbed from the people. Carter's war preparations are directed precisely at defending the vital interests of the U.S. billionaires, the vital interests of their system of enslavement, robbery and plunder of the people. The interests of the American people do not lie with Carter's war preparations, but with the revolutionary struggle to overthrow the imperialist

In the Fight Against the Draft, Opposition to Imperialism Must Be Put in the Center

While Carter is reintroducing the draft and openly calling for imperialist war preparations, a flabby "left-wing" section of his Democratic Party is entering the anti-draft movement. These flunkeys of the Democratic Party claim that they too oppose draft registration, at least for now. But their opposition is not against imperialism and war. Instead they are trying to subvert the anti-imperialist struggle and bring the movement under the wing of the Democratic Party and its warmongering policies. They wish to convert the whole issue of draft registration into whether a volunteer army or drafted army is best, whether the present army is "adequate" to "defend" U.S. imperialism, and so forth. But whether volunteer or conscription, the army remains the aggressive war machine of U.S. imperialism. While feigning opposition to draft registration, these flunkeys even paint the drafting of women in liberation colors and make lying claims that the brutal militariza-' tion of women is the only way for women to win equal rights. These impotent

Thousands upon thousands of youth whiners are promoting Ted Kennedy, Jerry Brown and other diehard imperialist politicians of the Democratic Party. These politicians are only opposed to the draft for the time being in order to sabotage the revolutionary movement. Kennedy is against registration because it is only a "paper curtain against Soviet troops," while he is in support of increased military spending and for more conventional forces. He is promoted as being against the MX missile, but he is against "hasty" development at this time only because he regards it as "goldplating" which "drains the resources of other needed

> The basic issue with regard to the draft is: the draft for what? The issue is that the U.S. army is an aggressor army, an army of imperialist war and enslavement. Today the U.S. imperialists have over two million troops which are stationed in bases all over the globe and are fully mobilized to carry out aggression anywhere at a moment's notice. The reintroduction of the draft is for the sole purpose of further strengthening these aggressive forces. In the fight against draft registration, the issue of opposition to imperialism must be put in the center. The flunkeys of the Democratic Party who "oppose" draft registration but support imperialism are simply lying politicians seeking to infiltrate and liquidate the mass movement. They want to turn back from Carter's present position of open warmongering, to Carter's former position of concealing war preparations under fraudulent appeals for "human rights" and 'peace." They are assisting the U.S. imperialist war drive by trying to trick and stop the mass struggle against it.

Organize Mass Revolutionary Struggle Against Imperialist War Preparations

The reintroduction of the draft is another warmongering measure of the Carter government against the American people. In the 1960's and early 1970's a huge revolutionary mass movement developed against U.S. aggression in Southeast Asia. With great determination and militancy, millions of American people rose up in one mass action after another against this most savage war. ROTC buildings were burned to the ground. Militant actions were organized against the draft boards, as hundreds of thousands of youth resisted serving in the aggressive U.S. war machine. Large numbers of GI's organized resistance inside the military as well. They put out anti-war leaflets and papers right on the U.S. military bases; they staged demonstrations, organized rebellions in the stockades, and carried out mass refusals to go into combat. With the defeat of the U.S. imperialist aggression by the revolutionary struggle of the Indochinese peoples, and shaken by the massive revolutionary movement at home, the bloodstained monopoly capitalist government temporarily ended the draft in an effort to pacify the American people and trick them into believing that American imperialism genuinely wanted peace. And now it is "peacenik" Carter who is trying to once again impose the draft. This exposes that the years of talk about "peace" and "human rights" were just lies. When the Democratic Party sings psalms of peace it is only trying to conceal its rapid preparations for war.

Now again the American people are rising up to oppose the crimes of the U.S. imperialists. Hundreds of demonstrations and other mass actions have been organized against the production of imperialist weapons of death and destruction, against the U.S.-China warmongering alliance, against Carter's threats and brutal blackmail against the heroic Iranian people, against the U.S. imperialist nuclear energy program, and against the draft. All of these struggles are entirely necessary and correct. The imperialists must not be allowed a moment of peace in which to carry out their aggressive war plans. Every step that the Carter government takes towards war must be opposed by the struggle of the

The source of war is world imperialism, headed by the U.S. and Soviet superpowers and including revisionist China and the other imperialist states. The U.S. is an imperialist monster, a world exploiter, blackmailer and bully, and a center of international aggression. So long as U.S. imperialism exists, the world will be subjected to its schemes of world domination and the threat of war. The anti-draft movement is fighting against the aggressive plans of U.S. imperialism. Through this movement thousands and thousands of people are being drawn into open conflict with the Carter government. They are being tempered and trained in struggle, and through their own experience they are becoming convinced of the necessity of revolu-



In March and April, mass demonstrations and rallies were held in many cities ington, D.C. (left). In Olympia, Washington more than 200 activists held a miliacross the U.S. denouncing both Carter's call for the reintroduction of the draft tant march and rally, shouting the slogans: "Down with the warmongers!" "No and the wild and frantic war preparations of the U.S. imperialists. On March 22, braving fierce wind and rain, more than 30,000 people demonstrated in Wash-



to the draft!" and "Down with all imperialist war preparations!" (right)

Hold high the revolutionary traditions of the struggle of the American people against **U.S.** aggression in Indochina!

making great strides forward. Every new step the Carter government takes to prepare for war has become a new cause for mass protests against the U.S. imperialists. No sooner had Carter announced his plans to reintroduce draft registration, then thousands upon thousands of people went into action in militant demonstrations and rallies against the draft in the cities all across the country. And these militant mass actions continue to grow. One of the reasons that this movement has so quickly taken on a mass character and raised the militant slogans against the rich and their war plans, is that it is based in the revolutionary traditions of the mass struggles of the 1960's. Through the massive upheaval against U.S. aggression in Viet Nam, the American people were schooled in a firm and fighting opposition to U.S. war plans. Large numbers of people, through their experience in the mass movement, came to see that behind U.S. aggression and war lay the blood-

The movement against the aggres- stained imperialist system, the inter- serve in the imperialist army, the govsive war plans of U.S. imperialism is ests of the monopoly capitalist billion- ernment was still able to obtain aires. And many drew the correct con- enough troops to carry on its aggresclusion that to fight imperialist war re- sion. Nevertheless draft resistance did quires a revolutionary struggle to create serious problems for the imperioverthrow the imperialist system. To alists' war recruiting. And most imporinform our readers of the revolutionary experience of the 1960's, The Workers' Advocate is carrying articles about two organizations and the struggles they waged against U.S. aggression in ation in militant struggle against U.S.

Draft Resistance Union (CDRU). tionary movement. This organization supported resistance to the draft and supported the resist- sistance, but it also supported the reance inside the U.S. armed forces. sistance of the GI's inside the aggres-CDRU organized mass struggles a- sive U.S. military. One result of this gainst the draft and U.S. aggression, it work was the establishment at the Fort worked to draw working class youth in- Knox army base of the GI anti-war to conscious political activity and edu- newspaper and organization, FTA. cated them in opposition to U.S. im- This was the first of the anti-war GI perialism. Draft refusal did not and newspapers that were established on could not bring a stop to the U.S. ag- U.S. military bases all over the country gressive war. Even when the draft re- and abroad. FTA inspired a spirit of sistance movement was at its peak, rebellion among the GI's, and organwhen at some draft boards as many as ized them for mass struggle. It edu-

tantly, draft resistance drew hundreds of thousands of young people into active mass struggle against U.S. imperialism. It schooled an entire generaggression and brought many young The first article is on the Cleveland people into the ranks of the revolu-

CDRU not only organized draft re-50% of the youth drafted refused to cated the GI's to oppose U.S. imperial-

ism, supported the national liberation struggle of the Vietnamese people, and worked to link the GI's to the struggles of the American masses and to bring the GI's over to the side of revolutionary struggle against the U.S. imperialist billionaires. The development of FTA and the GI movement generally, shows how the struggle against U.S. aggression spread deeply among the American masses into every sphere of life. This experience demonstrates that, despite the severe repressive conditions in the military, the GI's can and must be organized to fight imperialism. The majority of GI's are the sons and daughters of the working class. Their interests lie not with the rich billionaires, but with the struggles of the workers and the liberation struggles of the people all over the world. The GI movement, like the draft resistance movement, proved to be an important front of the anti-militarist struggle and showed its potential as a powerful force for the development of the socialist revolution.

ON THE CLEVELAND DRAFT RESISTANCE UNION:

Draft resistance drew hundreds of thousands of youth into militant struggle against U.S. aggression

1967. It was composed of revolutionary youth who had experience in the Afro-American people's struggle against racial discrimination and violent repression in the South and North, in the struggle of students against the decadent bourgeois education system, and other struggles. CDRU followed the policy of vigorous struggle and soon assumed the leadership of the militant youth and students in Cleveland in the fight against the draft and the U.S. imperialist war of aggression in Viet Nam. It was part of the especially powerful wave of youth and student struggle which swept the U.S. in 1967, when the youth broke out of the confines of pacifism and bourgeois legality imposed on them by the opportunists and waged active mass resistance to the government and the war. In the big anti-war demonstration in Washington, D.C. in October 1967,

The Cleveland Draft Resistance hundreds of young people were arrest- youth became convinced of the neces- rupting the functioning of the induc-Union (CDRU) was formed in April ed when they stormed the Pentagon sity of revolution and began to work tion center and even temporarily closand fought pitched battles with the po- actively to overthrow the imperialist lice. CDRU was an active contingent in this struggle. Big and very militant demonstrations were organized in cities throughout the country during this period, like the "Stop the Draft Week" marches in Oakland, where 10,000 youth marched and fought the police to close the Oakland induction center. As part of these national actions, the CDRU organized a "Stop the Draft Week" in Cleveland. On December 8 it organized a demonstration of and also in support of those who en-300 at the Cleveland induction center, tered the army and organized resistconfronted the police and forced the closing of the induction center for a day. These and other powerful mass actions of the draft resistance movement mobilized hundreds of thousands of young people and brought them into very first action of CDRU was such open conflict with U.S. imperial- a demonstration in April 1967. And ism. Through the rich experience throughout the year these demonstra-

system once and for all.

CDRU Organized Militant Demonstrations Against U.S. Imperialist Aggression in Southeast Asia

One of the main activities of the CDRU was the organizing of militant demonstrations at the Cleveland induction center in support of the young people who were resisting the draft ance there. In these mass actions, CDRU practiced active resistance to the fascist attacks of the governmentorganized reactionary gangs and to the attacks of the police itself. The gained in these struggles, many of the tions grew in size and militance, dising it down. For example, on November 28, 1967 the CDRU organized 150 youth to demonstrate in support of three draft resisters who were going to the induction center for their physical. CDRU supporters infiltrated the induction center, posing as draftees. Inside they leafletted all of the inductees and stood up and denounced the U.S. aggression in Viet Nam. Some inductees walked out of the center on the spot and others joined the demonstration as they arrived at the center. The demonstrators blocked buses full of draftees that were being brought in from other cities. CDRU supporters infiltrated one of the buses, which was coming from Akron, Ohio, and leafletted all of the youth there. The CDRU supporters and the entire bus load of draftees came to the agreement that if the bus

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ON THE GI NEWSPAPER "FTA":

The GI movement proved to be an important front of the struggle and showed potential as a powerful force of the revolution

people against U.S. imperialist aggression in Viet Nam. The heroic nayouth could not help but inspire rebellion among the U.S. soldiers as well. GI's began deserting the military and going AWOL in unprecedented numbers. Some openly declared their refusal to obey orders to go to Southeast Asia. And many began to participate in the big anti-war demonstrations and rallies. By the late 1960's the GI movement began to take on a more organized form. Anti-war meetings of GI's were held in cities near to the military

tion. To put an end to imperialist aggression and war, the masses must wage revolutionary struggle to overthrow and put an end to the imperialist

The GI movement grew up as part of bases. The GI's, despite severe rement of struggle. FTA was distributed the massive upheaval of the American pression, began to organize mass protests, like anti-war petitions and meetings, on the military bases themselves. tional liberation movement of the Viet- And GI anti-war newspapers began to namese people and the flames of the appear. By the summer of 1970, GI's raging mass struggle of America's had organized anti-war papers on at least 45 military bases inside the United States and at least two in Germany and one in Japan.

The first of these papers, called FTA, was organized by soldiers at the Fort Knox, Kentucky army base. The first issue appeared in June 1968. Immediately it caught the imagination of the broad masses of GI's at Fort Knox and won their wide support. The letters "FTA," short for the army recruiting slogan of "Fun, Travel and Adventure," meant to the masses of GI's "fuck the army," which was a popular slogan of the soldiers against the U.S. imperialist war machine. In this paper the GI's recognized their own voice of protest, their own instru-

through a secret network of GI's on the Fort Knox base, and by civilian supporters in Louisville, Kentucky where many soldiers congregated on the weekends. While organizing at Fort Knox, FTA supported the GI movement everywhere. It spread to other military bases and was distributed by GI's in Germany, Japan and Viet Nam. The army carried out harsh repression of the FTA organizers and supporters. There were innumerable disciplinary measures, arrests and court-martials.

The army even kidnapped one of the principal FTA organizers and eventually threw him in prison for three years. Nevertheless, FTA continued to come out about every six weeks for nearly three years. During this period, it was always in the center of the Fort Knox soldiers' fight against U.S. aggression, constantly encouraging the organization of mass struggle and educating the soldiers in opposition to imperialism. FTA also fought against

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was stopped by the demonstration, then they would get off and go home, claiming they could not get past the demonstrators' picket line. The police became enraged at the demonstrators' disruption of the induction center. Policemen on horseback, as well as some 50 foot patrolmen viciously attacked the marchers, clubbing and kicking them and sending four to the hospital. But the demonstrators were well organized and fought back. Their defense guard, armed with shields and other weapons, held off the police attack and allowed the mass of demonstrators to regroup and continue the march. After several hours the government was forced to close the induction center to the public. This demonstration and others like it built up the reputation of the CDRU among the fighting youth and many more came to join them in the mass actions they carried

CDRU Educated the Youth to Fight Against U.S. Imperialism

The CDRU was in the center of the Cleveland movement against the savage U.S. imperialist aggression in Viet Nam. It aimed its work at the working class youth, and educated them to oppose the U.S. imperialist system. CDRU put out a newsletter entitled "Resistance" and leaflets which explained that the rich imperialists alone profited from the aggression in Viet Nam. It carried articles from Viet Nam veterans who exposed the brutal crimes of the imperialists and supported the heroic national liberation struggle of the Vietnamese people. CDRU distributed its literature at the

high schools and in the working class communities, as well as at the induction centers. It organized meetings against the U.S. aggression. And it had speakers, such as Viet Nam veterans, who spoke against the imperialist war on radio shows and at other events. CDRU also organized a counseling service to assist young people to resist or avoid the draft. And in this draft counseling, as well as in the leafletting, meetings and demonstrations that it organized, the CDRU always carried on political education among the youth on the nature of imperialism and the war and worked to bring them into active participation in the mass struggle.

CDRU Supported Resistance Inside the Army

CDRU not only organized resistance to the draft, but it also supported resistance inside the army, and it gave active aid to both. It carried articles in "Resistance" from Viet Nam veterans and the parents of soldiers in Viet Nam, supporting and encouraging the GI struggles. And it carried statements against the imperialist war by active duty GI's. In July 1967, CDRU began supporting a black GI who was inducted in Cleveland and sent to the Fort Knox base. There he organized a group of 12 soldiers in basic training. called the "dirty dozen," who publicly denounced the war and refused to participate. The army broke up the group by transferring many of them to other military bases and by court-martialing and sentencing the main GI organizer to 30 days of hard labor and putting him in the stockade for a short time. Despite this suppression, these GI's continued to struggle and mobilized many other soldiers to oppose the im-

perialist aggression against the Vietnamese people. The CDRU reported on these struggles in "Resistance" and actively organized in defense of these GI's. Later, the CDRU organized a militant demonstration at the Cleveland induction center to support and give a spirited send-off to a young draftee who had decided to go into the army and organize resistance to the war there. At Fort Knox, this soldier organized a GI group and began producing FTA, the first of the antiwar GI newspapers put out on military bases. Through this work the CDRU actively aided the development of the GI movement and it created a burning sentiment against U.S. imperialism among broad sections of the youth in Cleveland, training them in the spirit of defiance and active struggle.

CDRU Fought the Opportunists Who Tried to Stifle the Draft Resistance Movement

The activity of the CDRU aroused the extreme hatred of the local state machine and its opportunist agents, who attacked the organization viciously. CDRU members were hounded by the local police "red squad" and by the Immigration Department, and attempts were made to infiltrate the organization with agents and to frame it on terrorism charges. The CDRU also came into sharp contradiction with the opportunists in the people's ranks, a holy alliance of trotskyites, revisionists and social-democrats, who served the bourgeois state by trying to stop the movement from taking the path of active mass resistance to the war of aggression. This struggle was sharpest with the trotskyites, who exposed themselves as the servile agents of the state, opposing active self-defense a-

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Activists of the Cleveland Draft Resistance Union participate in the march on the Pentagon in October 1967

posed revisionism and opportunism, carried forward the work to unite the Marxist-Leninists, rapidly spread across the country and established itself as the nucleus of the Party. To advance the struggle for the Party it founded the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists (COUSML) in 1973. After ten years of struggle, begun with the work of CWAC and the founding of the ACWM(M-L), the genuine revolutionary vanguard of the American working class was reestablished this year, with the founding of the Marxist-Leninist

The CDRU was a militant organization of the draft resistance movement, and played an important role in the mass struggle against the aggressive U.S. imperialist war to enslave the Vietnamese people. Draft refusal did not and could not put a stop to the imperialist aggression. But the draft resistance struggle brought hundreds of thousands of young people into militant and open conflict with the rich imperialists and their government. The spirit of defiance and revolutionary struggle which it inspired in the youth is still being felt today, in the mass struggles that are now unfolding against the war preparations of the Carter government. And the lessons of this revolutionary struggle are being carried forward and applied by the Marxist-Leninist Party which is working to advance the movement against war preparations and to weld together all of the currents of mass struggle into a single torrent of revolution that will sweep U.S. imperialism into its grave.

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the use of the U.S. troops to suppress the struggles of the American masses. And it was an important instrument of the GI resistance to the fascization, racial discrimination and all-around horrible conditions in the U.S. mili-

FTA Encouraged and Organized the GI's for Mass Struggle Against U.S. Aggression

By the time the first issue of FTA was distributed, there was already a burning sentiment against the U.S. aggression in Southeast Asia among broad sections of the GI's. The majority of the American soldiers were from the families of the working class and had no interest in subjugating the working people of other countries. They had been torn from their families, put under the jackboot of fascist military discipline, and made the cannon fodder of the U.S. imperialist adventure to enslave Viet Nam. The GI's were sent to carry out the U.S. aggression under the guise of the imperialist lie that they were fighting for the "freedom" of the Vietnamese people. But the soldiers saw with their own eyes the savage atrocities, the napalming and massacres by the U.S. armed forces. And they saw as well the valiant liberation struggle of the heroic Vietnamese masses. The reality of the U.S. aggression exploded the imperialist myth that America was fighting for Vietnamese freedom, and the GI's became embittered and wanted to strike out against the U.S. imperialist government.

FTA became the voice of this GI outrage. It told the plain truth about the savage U.S. assault on the Vietnamese. It carried letters and articles from GI's exposing the brutal crimes committed by the U.S. armed forces. And it exposed that it was imperialism, the rich monopoly capitalists, Chase Manhattan Bank and the oil billionaires, which were behind the U.S. aggression. From its very first issue, FTA also supported the national liberation war of the Vietnamese people and through the years it explained to the GI's why the Vietnamese were right to fight to free themselves from the clutches of U.S. imperialism. FTA was always a paper of the masses of the GI's at Fort Know, their voice of protest. And through its work it channeled the outrage of the GI's against U.S. imperialism and oriented their struggle in a revolutionary direction.

FTA was not only a GI newspaper, but it was also an organization of the soldiers. Many GI's were disciplined and even court-martialed for merely having a copy of FTA in their possession. Therefore, just to distribute the paper, required the organization of a secret network of GI distributors on the base. Over the years hundreds of GI's were drawn into the work of distuibuting FTA, and the paper was spread to every corner of Fort Knox, even into the most restricted areas like basic training and the Special Processing Battalions (SPB's) where GI's were held before and after being sent

also regularly held anti-war meetings in the barracks and carried out bold actions to inspire in the mass of GI's a spirit of resistance. For example, leafletting raids were held where dozens of GI's would run through a number of barracks around Fort Knox, passing out hundreds of FTA's or other leaflets at one time. Because FTA was so widely supported among the GI's, and because the papers were passed out so quickly that the officers and MP's couldn't catch the distributors, very few of the GI's ever got caught. This type of mass distribution, and other bold actions of the FTA supporters, built up the reputation of FTA among the masses of GI's and encouraged them to resist the military suppression and to fight against the imperialist

The FTA organizers also held public actions off the base and organized the GI's to participate in the general movement against the U.S. aggression. For example, in 1968, "speak outs" against the war were held for the GI's on a renewed vigor, drawing millions in Louisville, Kentucky and in the fall a and millions of workers into militant GI contingent was organized to partici-strikes against the monopoly capitalist pate in the big anti-war demonstration in Washington, D.C.

organizers established a group of some across the country to the coffeehouse to meet the FTA organizers and dispolice and opened the place illegally were arrested, half of them GI's, and many spent a month in the county jail; the courts ruled in favor of evicting the GI's and they were forced to pay a \$10,000 bond to appeal the case; and GI's with the mass struggles of the the coffeehouse supporters received untold harassment, with the GI's suffering from innumerable disciplinary carried regular articles supporting the measures and court-martials. Despite this heavy suppression, the GI's kept the coffeehouse open for a year. From this center they organized study groups of Marxist literature, distributed revolutionary literature, held mass sesthe American people for the profits meetings and rallies against the war of a handful of rich exploiters. And it and organized demonstrations against showed that whether the U.S. armed the political persecution and juiling of forces were being used for aggression the coffeebouse supporters.

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ance, sought out ways to bring the GI's into mass struggle, and educated them to fight imperialism. Through its work, FTA brought a whole section of GI's into active participation in the movement against U.S. aggression in Viet Nam and it oriented the masses of GI's to support the revolutionary struggle against U.S. imperialism.

FTA Organized Against the Use of U.S. Troops to Suppress the Mass Struggles of the American People

The 1960's was a time of revolutionary struggle of the American people. Not only did millions of people join up with the struggle against U.S. aggression in Viet Nam, but millions more were drawn into the broad mass movements that developed on a whole series of fronts. The Afro-American struggle burst into the flames of the great rebellions that shook the major cities throughout the country. The strike movement of the workers took exploiters. And the youth and students set the campuses ablaze with their In the summer of 1969, the FTA broad mass actions. Increasingly the government was forced to bring out 25 GI's which opened a political center the army to control and suppress these for the GI movement in Maldraugh, mass struggles. Army tanks rolled Kentucky, just a few miles off the Fort through Detroit and Newark to put Knox base. This became a place where down the fighting black masses. Airthe activists of the GI movement at borne army units were dispatched to Fort Knox could meet and plan their Washington, D.C. in an attempt to activities. Frequently GI's just back control the fierce struggle of the antifrom Viet Nam would travel halfway war demonstrators. U.S. troops were sent to take over the post offices and to keep the mail moving in an effort to cuss with them the development of the suppress the 1970 national strike of the anti-war struggle in Viet Nam. From postal workers. But the very issues the beginning the coffeehouse was that were agitating the American masheavily suppressed. The city govern- ses and bringing them into mass strugment wrote a new law which prohib- gle, were also exciting the U.S. solited the coffeehouse from getting a diers. And increasingly the GI's resistbusiness permit, and the police pad- ed being used to suppress their friends locked its door. But the GI's defied the and relatives who were fighting against the rich and their governby holding a mass meeting of about ment. Just as in Viet Narn, where the 100 GI's and some civilians from the soldiers began to fraternize with the city. In the year that the coffeehouse national liberation forces, began to rewas open it was firebombed twice; two fuse combat orders and to sabogrand juries met and indicted coffee- tage the imperialist war effort, so also house operators; more than 20 people inside the United States the GI's began to resist being used to suppress the struggles of the American masses. FTA worked actively to organize this

resistance of the soldiers, to link the people and to bring them over to the side of revolutionary struggle. FTA revolutionary movement and explaining to the GI's the demands of the masses and why they were fighting. It showed the GI's how the imperialist system savagely exploits and oppresin Viet Nam or to put down the strug-Through the work of the supporters gles of the American masses, it was at all times an instrument of the billionpleitation and plunder of the working

When mass resistance of the GI's to the stockades. The FTA organizers encouraged even the smallest resist- follow this example. For instance, 5000

bayonets, the entire company refused. were encouraged to follow this exam- perialist aggression. ple and support the just struggles of

the American masses. against "riot control training" after to fight against the intolerable condithe army organized this as a regular tions. FTA was an instrument of this part of the training at Fort Knox. FTA struggle of the GI's. Even the slightest down the struggle. FTA smuggled the exposed that this policy was instituted to use the Fort Knox soldiers to suppress the struggles of the workers and black people in Detroit, Louisville and other cities in the Midwest. It demanded an end to all such training and organized the GI's to resist it. In one case, FTA supporters were included among the GI's who were to play the role of "rioters," so the trainees could practice the methods of riot control. But these GI "rioters" took their work seriously and threw the entire training into disarray. They wrote their own picket signs against the army; they raced through the barracks mobilizing many soldiers who were off thuty to participate in the "riot"; and while the GI's who were supposed to control the 'rioters' messed up carrying out their orders, the Gl "rioters" pelted the officers with rocks, mud, water ballons and whatever else they could get their hands on. Through these type actions, FTA supporters made a mockery of the riot control training, undermined the fascist military discipline and encouraged a spirit of defiance among issue agitating the GI's, like the right the masses of GI's.

The resistance of the GI's to being as a force for revolution. Every revolubillionaires.

> FITA Fought the Fascization, Racial Discrimination and All-Round fintolerable Conditions Faced by the GI's

anti-war demonstrators marched onto had to build up the army based on the Fort Dix, New Jersey army base in the most fascist military discipline. The spring of 1970. A number of army army worked to imbue the soldiers units were called out to stop the dem- with the aggressive ideology of imperionstrators. But when one company of alism. It conducted brutal discriminabasic trainees was ordered to fix tion against the black GI's and other nationalities serving in the imperial-The soldiers then refused to carry out ist war machine. And it carried out the any orders to take action against the most savage political persecution, supdemonstrators and the army quickly pressing with an iron hand even the rushed the company back to its bar- smallest dissent, and banning any poracks. This incident, and others like it, litical rights of the soldiers except to were reported in FTA and the GI's serve as the cannon fodder of U.S. im-

This tyrannical fascization of the army was itself a source of the rebellion FTA also organized a big campaign of the GI's, who increasingly stood up

to take care of the overflow from the stockades. The horrible conditions in the stockades and SPB's led to many big rebellions where GI's seized control of sections of the prisons, burned areas to the ground and fought the military police. FTA supported these just rebellions and fought for the demands of the GI's. For example in the winter of 1969 FTA assisted the soldiers at the Fort Knox SPB to fight the harsh conditions. The GI's met in the SPB and drew up their demands. But the army wouldn't listen, transferred a number of the GI leaders to other bases and sent some to the stockade. As a result the soldiers in SPB rebelled. taking over their barracks. It took the military police several hours to put



On November 9, 1972, 132 sailors in San Diego refuse to reboard the USS Constellation because of racist practices on the ship.

to wear Afro-American hairstyles, became a matter which FTA protested used to suppress the struggles of the and used to encourage the resistance masses was an important part of the GI of the GI's. Low pay, overtime duties, movement and showed its potential the despicable housing conditions, the bad medical care of soldiers and their tionary struggle faces the armed sup- families, the savage racial discriminapression by the momopoly capitalist tion and complete lack of rights were billionaires. And it is an important all issues on which FTA fought for the question for the success of the revolu- GI's. The U.S. army, like all imperialtion that at least a sizable section of ist forces, was thoroughly corrupt. the armed forces of the rich are won Officers frequently stole food and over to take the side of the revolution. other goods supposed to be for the The struggles that took place in the GI's, and sold them for the officers' U.S. military during the 1960's and own profits. FTA also exposed these early 1970's showed the potential for crimes against the soldiers. FTA carjust such an eventuality. FTA worked ried a regular column entitled "The actively to encourage the resistance of Lifer of the Month" in which it encourthe GI's. And through the education it aged GI's to write exposures of the carried out and the actions it organ- most fascist commissioned and nonized, it strove to bring the GI's over to commissioned officers ("lifers"). By the side of revolutionary struggle, to ridiculing these officers and exposing make them an active force on the side their crimes against the rank and file of the masses for the revolutionary soldiers, FTA encouraged the GI reoverthrow of the morropoly capitalist sistance and frequently the mere exposure of these crimes was enough to win

the demands of the GI's. Some of the largest mass struggles of the GI's took place in the stockades. Due to the savage suppression of the GI's, the harsh racial discrimination, and so forth, the military prisons were For the U.S. imperialists to carry completely overflowing. The army out their unpopular aggressive war a even had to set up Special Processing gainst the people of Southeast Asia, Battalions (SPB's) to house GI's who for them to suppress the broad mass were waiting to go to the stockades or struggles of the American people, they were just about to be released, in order

demands of the GI's out of SPB, published them in the paper and mobilized soldiers all over Fort Knox to support. the struggle.

Through these types of struggles against the appealing conditions and for the GI's rights, the widest sections of the soldiers were drawn into mass actions. FTA worked to organize the GI's through these struggles, fought to win the demands of the GI's, and used these struggles to draw the GI's into the general movement against U.S. imperialism.

Activists of the GI Movement Took Up the Struggle to Build the Marxist Leninist Party

FTA was a paper and an organization of the GI movement, and like the movement as a whole it suffered from not having the leadership of a vangoard party of the working class, a party consistent in revolutionary principle, guided by the Marxist Leninist theory of the working class, and politically mature and trained in revolutionany taction.

Due to the conditions in the army, the severe suppression of the GI organizers, the constant shipping of soldiers to other military bases, throwing them in the stockades, and so forth, FTA was unable to maintain a stable core of revolutionary organizers. As a

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Defend the **Anti-Draft Movement** from Slander and Attacks!

(The following leaflet was issued by the Syracuse Committee Against Social-Chauvinism, March 27, 1980.)

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE DAILY ORANGE:

On February 25, the Syracuse Committee Against Social-Chauvinism initiated a demonstration on the Syracuse University Quad under the slogans: "No to U.S. Imperialist War Preparations!" and "No to the Reintroduction of the Draft!" This demonstration was part of the growing movement nationwide to oppose the draft and other war preparations. The demonstration was warmly received by a large number of students who, along with the working class and other oppressed youth, are the object of Carter's plans to increase the U.S. imperialists' supply of human ammunition for their wars of aggression.

In the face of this growing movement against the draft and other war preparations, the campus paper the Daily Orange saw fit to attack the demonstration of the 25th. In its article "Group Organizes Protest" (February 26, 1980) the Daily Orange blatantly lies about the support of the students for this demonstration, and distorts the politics of the Marxist-Leninist Party, USA and its role in the movement against war preparations. This attack is aimed at the entire move-

The Daily Orange article begins by attacking and slandering the students. It characterizes those who "gathered to watch" by stating only that "snowballs and hecklers' shouts were directed" at the demonstration, and then gives a quote from one student to complete the impression that the students were antagonistic to the demonstration and opposed to the anti-imperialist stand of the Syracuse Committee Against Social-Chauvinism. This is a blatant lie. For over two weeks prior to the demonstration the SCASC and other activists distributed well over 1,000 leaflets on the SU campus alone. This leaflet explained the political stand of the Marxist-Leninist Party, USA in the anti-draft movement, and raised the same slogans as the demonstration on the 25th. These leaflets were vigorously received by the broad masses of students. At the demonstration itself, well over 250 students gathered to read and discuss the same leaflet, and vinism which denounced the warmongering plans of "human rights" Carter. Those few students who opposed the demonstration by weakly tossing snowballs in the direction of the demonstration were either berated or ignored by the majority of students, many of whom stayed afterwards to have long discussion on the anti-imperialist nature of the movement against the draft. Thus, the Baily Or ange turns truth on its head when presenting the stand of a few disruptors as the stand of the large majority of students.

This is not the first time the Daily Ovange has slandered the students by presenting them as in support of U.S. imperialism. A few months ago, when the warrnongering campaign of the U.S. government against the people's revolution in Iran was at its peak, a handful of reactionaries supported by the state called for a racist and fascist demonstration against the Iranian people. At that time the Daily Orange reported that 200 students showed up.

demonstration. What the Daily Orange article failed to report was that these students, along with the SCASC, showed up to denounce the fascists, who were exposing their true political stand by shouting the hitlerite slogan

The Daily Orange should stop these actions which have the effect of propping up the pro-imperialist warmongers and slander the actual sentiment of the students to fight against the draft and all the imperialist war prepa-

This gave the impression that these students supported the politics of the

The Daily Orange article goes from distortion and slander of the true antiimperialist sentiments of the students, to distortion of the politics of the Marxist-Leninist Party and its role in the movement against imperialist war preparations. There are three basic distortions we want to deal with in this

1. The Daily Orange article distorts the line of the MLP.USA for the development of the anti-draft movement by promoting that the MLP, USA will "attempt to stop the draft through creating an atmosphere of discussion through mass meetings." We don't know where the Daily Orange got this line, but it was not from the SCASC or from the Marxist-Leninist Party's newspaper The Workers' Advocate, which states our line clearly. U.S. imperialism has been exposed over and over by its own actions as a most bloodthirsty and barbaric superpower. In the 1960's and early 1970's, its brutal attempt to suppress the national liberation struggle of the peoples of Southeast Asia showed the lengths of slaughter and destruction the U.S. irnperialists are willing to go to suppress those who rise up against it. Today the U.S. imperialists are preparing to launch aggressive war to protect their "vital interests" -- the profits of Exxon, Mobil, and other rapacious monopoly capitalist groups. U.S. imperialism, along with the other superpowers are threatening the world with nuclear holocaust. Thus the savage war preparations of U.S. imperialism clearly cannot be opposed by peaceful "discussion." To promote such a line for the development of the movement against the draft is to sow dangerous illusions among the people. The Marxist-Leninist Party does not have such illusions. The MLP, USA promotes the to listen to the statement of the Syra- line of mass revolutionary struggle acuse Committee Against Social-Chau- gainst every sten taken by the imperialists in their war preparations. The mass movement that developed against the war in Southeast Asia over a decade ago showed the correctness of the line of mass revolutionary struggle, and the bankruptcy of the line of peaceful opposition to imperialist war. Speaking about the mass movement against the war in the 60's The Workers' Advocate states: "With great determination and militancy, millions of American people rose up in one mass action after another against this most savage war. ROTC buildings were burned to the ground. Militart actions were organized against the draft boards. ...large numbers of GI's organized resistance inside the military itself...they staged demonstrations, organized rebellions in the stockades, and carried out mass refusals to go to combat." These mass actions and demonstrations of a decade ago are the heritage and fighting experience of the movement against the draft today. This heritage is upheld by the line of

Beijing revisionist warmongers lash out against the anti-draft movement

The Chinese social-imperialists have shown once again that they are hardened fascist warmongers. In an article in the March 10, 1980 issue of the magazine Beijing Review, these Chinese revisionist allies of U.S. imperialism viciously denounce the anti-draft movement and the progressive antiimperialist youth. The article "No Return to Cold War?" by the Xinhua News Agency's Washington correspondent Peng Di states: "Therefore some U.S. congressmen and political figures are underestimating the Soviet designs for aggression and expansion. They warn against over-reaction to the Afghan invasion and 'a return to cold war.' Some even describe the invasion as a defensive action out of security considerations with no intention to drive southward. Naturally this view is approved by students who are reluctant to join the armed forces...." (emphasis ours.)

According to the professional liars of the Beijing Review (or is Peng Di really writing for Buckley's National Review?), the opposition to the draft only comes from "students" who are "reluctant" for unspecified reasons — the clear implication is that they are cowards - to join the "armed forces." "Naturally" the Beijing Review neglects to mention exactly what kind of 'armed forces' it is that these "stu-

U.S. imperialism. The "students" are be against U.S. imperialism means to opposed to invading Iran to fight for be a witting or unwitting dupe of "Sothe greater profits of the huge American oil monopolies. They are opposed to slaughtering the world's people to cowards who cannot even imagine maintain a vast U.S. empire. They are opposed to the imperialist armed forces that napalmed the Indochinese people, set up one fascist dictator after another in the Caribbean and Central America, supply the Israeli zionists with weapons, and so on and so forth.

These "students" are in reality both students and vast masses of young workers. The young workers are fighting against the capitalist exploitation and oppression at home, and they want no part of being a U.S. expeditionary force abroad. They are not opposed to fighting, as the militant and protracted strikes show, but they want to fight against the U.S. imperialist exploiters and not on behalf of them. Students too are part of this movement. But it is the students with progressive ideals who are opposed to the imperialist aggression and war. To find cowards, you must look to the revisionist liars and yellow capitulators of Beijing Review and of the Hua-Deng fascist revisionist clique, who have cowardly capitulated to U.S. imperialism under the thin pretext of fighting Soviet social-imperialism. These revidents" are reluctant to join. These sionist character assassins hiss in uni-

armed forces are the cannon fodder for son with the U.S. imperialists that to viet aggression or expansion." For the Chinese social-imperialists are real standing up for revolution and social-

ism against all imperialism and socialimperialism.

To add some "profundity" to its analysis, the Beijing Review comes out with its stock nonsense about "some Continued on page 14





The U.S.-China aggressive alliance has earned the wrath of the people

(The following leaflet was distributed by the San Francisco Bay Area Branch of the Marxist-Leninist Party, USA at the March 22 demonstration in San Francisco of 7,000 people protesting against the draft. The leaflet was issued by the San Francisco Bay Area Branch. It was aimed against the "three worlders" who are trying to divert the antidraft movement into supporting the U.S.-China warmongering alliance.)

A significant feature of U.S. imperialism's all-sided preparation to launch new wars of imperialist conquest, to fight the Soviet social-imperialists for markets and spheres of influence, to drown in blood the anti-imperialist struggles of the working masses all over the globe, is their warmongering alliance with China. In January of this year Defense Secretary Harold Brown, the highest representative of the Pentagon, toured China. Even though these trips by top officials are always billed as "people to people" diplomacy, when Brown climbed onto a Chinese tank and from that vantage point stated to his hosts that he "hopes that relations will grow between the armies of our two countries," the true nature of the U.S.-China warmongering alliance was once again revealed for all to see. This alliance between the warmongers of Bei-

mass revolutionary struggle. This is the line that the Daily Orange article, through its complete misquote, distorts into the line that "discussions" will "attempt to stop the draft."

2. The Duily Orange article also attempts to speculate on the differences of the groups within the movement against the draft. Through this they encourage splits and disunity. This is not our line. We stand for the unity of the movement, for the unity of all those who are genuinely opposed to the draft and the war preparations. The reinstitution of the duaft is part of the overall

ACWM(M-L) and carried forward by the COUSMI, the Marxist-Leninist Party, the genuine revolutionary vanguard of the working class, has been ist Farty carries forward the revolutionary traditions of the FTA and the

The experience of FTA, and of the GI movement generally, shows the possibilities and necessity for conducting revolutionary work in the armed forces. The soldiers are mainly the sons and claughters of the working masses and their interests lie with the revolutionary struggles of the people. Despite the repressive conditions, the organizing of the KKK and other fascist games, and the all-round fascination of the army, the masses of Gl's can and will be mobilized against imperialism. With the advance of the mass movement against U.S. imperialist war preparations, and the development of all of the various struggles of the masses against the rich imperialist exploiters, the GI movement will also become organized and play its important role in overthrowing the monopoly

jing and Washington is proving to be a and political aggression against Iran fraught with great danger for the people of the world, for their freedom and independence.

One of the main directions of Harold Brown's trip and of his bargaining with the chieftains of Chinese socialimperialism is the extension of military collaboration, something which both sides are deeply interested in. In meetings with top Chinese leaders, as well as between joint work groups, the ways and means of supplying China other military vehicles.

even further. Apart from military China into a superpower. problems, international questions were also brought up at the bargaining table in Beijing and coordination of joint policies and stands were worked

Beijing at a time when the Soviet social-imperialists have launched a brutal, fascist invasion of Afghanistan: when the American imperialists have launched a cold war and real economic Nixon and the U.S. warmongers were

ment. These Bunkeys of the Democrat-

ic Party claim that they too oppose

draft registration, at least for now. But

their opposition is not against imperi-

alism and war. Instead they are trying

to subwert the anti-imperialist struggle

and bring the movement under the

wing of the Democratic Party and their

warmongering policies. They wish to

convert the whole issue of dealt regis-

trafion into whether a volunteer army

or a drafted army is best, whether the

present army is 'adequate' to 'defenil'

U.S. imperialism, and so forth....

The basic issue with regard to the draft

is: the draft for what? The issue is that

hotbed of war and aggression and is - two events which have further complicated the situation in the Middle East. In these conditions the American imperialists and the Chinese socialimperialists, in rivalry with the Soviet social-imperialists, are seeking an even greater coordination of their political and military activities in the turbulent situation which they themselves have created. Time and concrete actions have proven that the Chinese social-imperialists are playing the role of an imperialist gendarme, of the most with equipment and advanced military zealous champion of the interests of technology were discussed. As a re- U.S. imperialism wherever it is in risult, after Brown's successful tour the valry with the Russian imperialists ---Carter administration offered to sell in the Middle East, Africa, Latin China all kinds of military equipment, America, Asia and in Europe. This including advanced computer, satellite zeal is based on the American economand radar technology, and trucks and ic and military support on which the Chinese revisionists have centered But the current bargaining goes their entire policy of transforming

The U.S.-China alliance began in 1971 when Kissinger went to China for secret talks. These talks led up to the infamous meeting between Nixon and Mao Zedong in 1972. This meeting The Pentagon chieftain went to took place at a time when the fascist Nixon was carrying out the most barbaric bombing of Viet Nam, when U.S. imperialism was being smashed by the heroic Indochinese people, and when

becoming isolated and denounced around the world and at home. It was a time when U.S. imperialism was looking for a way to outflank its massive opposition and regroup its forces in order to continue its aggression. It was at this moment that the U.S.-China alliance was born. The thoroughly discredited Nixon, whose hands dripped with the blood of the Indochinese people and the students at Kent State, was warmly embraced by the supposedly "revolutionary" leader of China - Mao Zedong. We see that right from the outset, the U.S.-China alliance was in the service of imperialist war and aggression.

The visit to Washington, D.C. of the Chinese revisionist chieftain Deng Xiaoping in January 1979 marked the full flowering and public declaration of the all-round economic, political, ideological and military alliance between U.S. imperialism and Chinese socialimperialism. Having once received the blessing of the U.S. imperialists, it was only a matter of hours after he left the U.S. that Deng proclaimed that China was "going to teach Viet Nam a lesson," and it was only 13 days after Deng concluded his nine day pilgrimage that the Chinese troops invaded Viet Nam. Mr. Deng and his host, Mr.

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intensification of U.S. imperialism's cratic Party who 'oppose' draft regiswar preparations. It is through aggres- tration but support imperialism are sive war that the U.S. imperialists seek simply lying politicians. ... They want to deal with the rising revolutionary to turn back from Carter's present poand liberation movements of the sition of open warmongering, to Carworld's people by drowning them in ter's former position of war preparablood. This aim, along with their contions under fraudulent appeals for 'hutention with the Soviet imperialists for man rights' and 'peace.' They are asworld domination, are the reasons besisting the U.S. imperialist war drive by trying to trick and stop the mass hind Carter's calls for increased military spending, the development of the movement against it." It is the strug-MX missiles, the strengthening of gle against imperialism and its agents NATO and the U.S.-China alliance, infiltrating the movement which will strengthen the movement and build etc. The call for the reintroduction of the true unity of all those genuinely the draft, so that the "peacenik" Carter and his masters can have a continuopposed to the draft and the war prepous supply of human ammunition, canarations. This is our position on the vinot be separated from U.S. imperialtal issue of unity within the movement. ism's entire war program. Thus, those The quotes in the Daily Orange artiwho claim to oppose the draft, but decle on our attitude toward the Syracuse fend U.S. imperialism, are only flun-Coalition for Peace are pure fabricakeys of the rich, hiding in the ranks of tion and distortion. the people. The Worters' Advocate

3. Several times throughout the articlarities the purpose of this infiltration ale on the demonstration of the 25th by stating: "While Carter is reintro- the Daily Orange promotes a false conduring the draft and openly calling for tradiction between the work of the imperialist war preparations, a flabby Marxist-Leninist Party and the SCASC 'left-wing' section of his Democratic in the movement against the draft, and Party is entering the anti-draft move- our work for the complete overthrow of U.S. imperialism. We would like to clear up this "contradiction." The war preparations of the imperialists, which the anti-draft movement is waging active struggle against, are part of an enfire program by the U.S. imperialists to save themselves from the deep economic and all-round crisis which has their clying system by the throat. This program is one of starvation of the workers through wage controls, of developing fascism to suppress the people of the U.S. as they rise up against the exploitation of the morropoly capitalist system, as well as their plans for war. The workers, progressive stuthe U.S. army is an aggressor army, an dents, Afro-Americans and other oparmy of imperialist war and enable- pressed and exploited masses are all ment. ... The flurkeys of the Demo- engaged in struggle against the vi-

cious attacks of the monopoly capitalists. The Marxist-Leninist Party defends the momentary interests and immediate aims of these movements, but in the movement of the present it also represents and takes care of the future of the movement. The Marxist-Leninist Party has put forward the program of the working class as opposed to the program of the exploiting capitalist class. The program to defend the immediate and long-term interests of the working class and people of the U.S. is one of mass revolutionary struggle. The Communique from the Founding Congress of the Marxist-Leninist Party, USA states: "The MLP, USA works to weld all the revolutionary currents into a single torrent with the proletariat at the center. ... These movements, which bring the masses of people into open conflict with the rich and the state power of the rich, are schools of revolution. In these movements, the masses of working people gain rich experience, become convinced through their own experience of the need for revolution and of the correctness of the policies, slogans and orientation of the Marxist-Leninist Party, and become organized and prepared for the revolution." There is no comradiction between our work against the draft and our work for the anti-fascist proletarian socialist revolution. The Daily Orange should cease such actions as the attack on our demonstration, which slander, disrupt, and foment splits in the movement against war prepara-

The SCASC for its part will continue its program for the development of the struggle against war preparations, and calls upon all progressive anti-imperialist students to unite with the SCASC to develop the increment and defend it against all attacks.

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result FTA was inconsistent in political thought and action, repeating errors which had already been made and having to learn over and over again the lessons already learned in revolutionary struggle.

Even more significantly, the revisionists, trouskyites and other opportunists infiltrated the GI movement and sought to divert it from the path of revolutionary struggle and to liquidate it. The apportunists attempted to put an end to any talk of apposition to imperialism, claiming that this "turned off" the GI's, and they tried to put every GI struggle on the path of their pacifist, legalist and reformist illurions. For example, the struggle of the GI's for political rights had at its heart the desire of the soldiers to oppose U.S. imperialist aggression in Viet Nam and to support the resolutionary struggles of the people. As a result the GI's used every means of struggle, both secret and illegal as well as legal rnethods, to organize the GI's and encomrage their mass actions. But the opportunists thed to remove the nevelu-

to consext them into the sale issue of "constitutional rights" and reforming the military code of justice. They limited the scope of the Gl struggle, pushed court battles into the center and increasingly brought up lawyers to be the "flighting force" of the GI

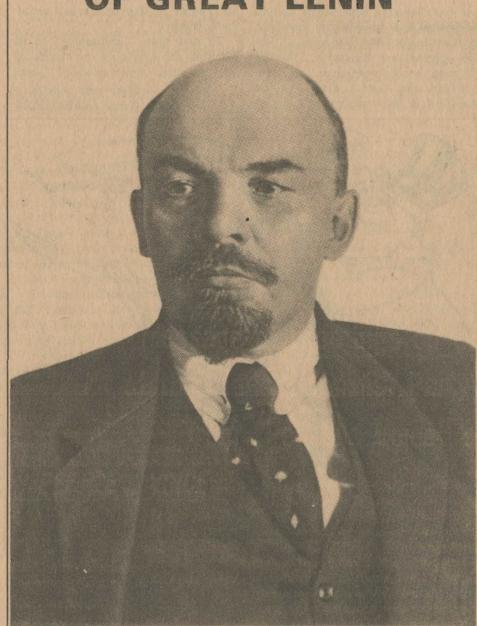
the Marxist-Levinist Party, the line of

The organizers of FTA came up in one confrontation after another against these revisionists and trotskyites. Over the years, the revolutionaries among the GI's learned to despise the opportunists, the illusions they spread and their sabotage of the soldiers' struggle. And they began to see that to wage a consistent fight against the opportunists, and to advance the GI movement required the building of a centralized revolutionary fighting force, a ranguard Marrist-Lerimst party, stable and consistent in revolutionary principles and tactics.

A number of the organizers of FTA and other activists of the GI movement took up the work to build such a Marxist-Leninist party. They linked up with the American Communist Workers Movement (Marxist-Leninist), the national Marxist-Leninist center which was founded in 1969. After ten years of tionary content from these struggles, struggle begun with the founding of

established. Today the Marxist-Lenin-

THE 110th ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF GREAT LENIN



April 22, 1980 marks the 110th anniversary of the birth of Comrade imperialism and the proletarian revo-Vladimir I. Lenin. Comrade Lenin was lution. To be more exact, Leninism is the beloved teacher and leader of the the theory and tactics of the proleworld proletariat. Comrade Lenin de- tarian revolution in general, the fended and developed the theory of theory and tactics of the dictatorship of Marxism with rare mastery and ab- the proletariat in particular. solute loyalty. He fought with relentless determination against all the revisionists and opportunists and against and struggle marked an epoch-making gropes in the dark. In the present situdevelopment of the theory of Marxism ation, the enemies of the proletarthe era of socialism. This revolution has come out into the open and the parties of the whole world are guided birth of Comrade Lenin, The Workers Leninism teaches:

"Leninism is Marxism of the era of

The immortal teachings of Comrade Lenin inspire the struggle of communists everywhere. Without a revoluthe conciliators and centrists. His work tionary theory, a revolutionary party under the conditions of imperialism. ian revolution have stepped up their The Great October Socialist Revolu- efforts to attack, distort, defame and tion, led and organized by the great negate the revolutionary theory and Bolshevik Party of Comrade Lenin, ideology of Marxism-Leninism. Most opened up a new era in the life of man, recently, the Chinese revisionist trend was primarily an international revolu- ugly features of Mao Zedong Thought tion, a revolution that signified a radi- have been seen for what they are. All cal turn in world history, a turn from this gives special urgency to a task the old, capitalist world to the new so- which is always of paramount imporcialist world. This sevolution establishtance, namely to the study and defense ed the revolutionary authority of Len- of Leninism. For this purpose, on this nism. Today the genuine communist year of the 110th anniversary of the by Marxism-Leninism. As Comrade Advocate will carry a series of articles Stalin, the loyal and brilliant continuer on and collection of quotations from of Comrade Lenin's work, teaches in the immortal works of Comrade Lenin his classic work The Foundations of and of his loyal disciple and the continuer of his work, Comrade Stalin.

THE MARXIST-LENINIST PARTY!"

The Caribbean Progressive Study Group and The West Indian Voice warmly salute the Founding Congress of the Marxist-Leninist Party, USA held on January 1, 1980. We salute the courageous Marxist-Leninists who have successfully reestablished the political party of the American proletariat. We wholeheartedly rejoice with the proletariat in the tremendous victory of the Founding Congress of its

party, the MLP, USA. We salute the manner of seriousness, forthrightness, the indomitable spirit of bravery and of unyielding faith in the triumphant principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism with which the Founding Congress set upon its historic work. The "Communique of the Founding Congress of the MLP, USA" is a document which we will always remember with great pride in times to come, and we call on all the progressive forces in our community to seriously study this historic document whose forthright, clear and principled revolutionary stand shows the type of mettle of which the MLP, USA is made. A Rousing Red Salute to the MLP,

The very event of the Founding Congress is profound and an historic success. The road to the reconstitution of the political party of the American proletariat has been marred by decades of obstacles and roadblocks thrown up in its path by the imperialist rulers and the revisionist and opportunist traitors in their service. These difficulties were braved and overcome by the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists (COUSML), the militant nucleus of the Party, whose work prepared the conditions for the Founding Congress of the MLP, USA. The founding of the MLP, USA is the fruit and the legacy of struggle and determination in the cause of the proletariat, the revolution and the teachings of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin upon which the Party

The Marxist-Leninist Party is born. Today! There is such a party! A party opposed to the parties of the rich, opposed to both the Republican and and opposed as well to the revisionist, ships, starvation, criminal exploitathe rich and carry the politics of the rich regardless of their fashionable disguises with which they all hide their

poses as the party of labor and the minorities, to all of its revisionist and opportunist sons and daughters — they all paint themselves in order to fool the people. They all declare that they are parties of the working class and broad masses in order to convince the laborthe proletariat from becoming organized and conscious of its mission, from carrying through its independent march and from responding to all the questions facing the society from its own standpoint, and in this way fulfilling its role as the liberator of the entire society from capitalist slavery and injustice and offer the broad masses a bright and happy future in the revolution and socialism under the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Today, with the founding of the MLP, USA, a new chapter is unfolding in the life and struggle of the proletariat and revolutionary masses. Now, entering the 1980's, which holds great prospects for the struggle of the American people, the working class has its own party, a revolutionary party capable of leading the proletariat and people in an independent, political movement for complete emancipation from the rule of capital.

The founding of the party is the first historic step for the constitution of the working class as a class for itself, distinct from and opposed to the rich and all the exploiting classes. The founding of the MLP, USA is of decisive importance to all the genuinely revolutionary currents in the United States. In the factories, mines and fields, in

of the revolution and socialism, a party the communities, among the youth and in the schools, the broadest masses are fighting courageously and searching Democratic Parties of the billionaires, for a way out of the intolerable hardopportunist and cultural nationalist tion, violent repression and racist atgroupings and sects which all serve tacks which life means under the citadels of this "American democracy" of the rich moneybags.

Without the leadership of a party with firm revolutionary convictions From the Democratic Party, which and scientific foresight, and one which is capable of leading the masses in struggle - there can be no lasting success scored and the interest of the proletariat and people cannot triumph. Now there is such a party. Such a party is the MLP.USA.

This truth stands in our community ing masses to line up behind these par- as well. The West Indian community ties of the rich, and in this way block has definite lessons and experiences to go by. Today in our community a revolutionary current is vigorously organizing the people against the racist attacks of the government and its storm troopers, participating in all aspects of the working class movement in solid unity with our fellow workers, the ordinary Americans, as well as in genuine solidarity and support for the struggle of the people in the West Indies for total emancipation from imperialist domination and from the rule of the reactionary bourgeoisie. The Caribbean Progressive Study Group is organized, comprised of workers and militant youth who work without letup on these fronts. And it is this work which is scoring successes and winning the support and respect of all that is alive and honest and loyal to the proletariat in the community.

> progressive forces in the West Indian community was possible because the banner of the proletariat, the politics of the MLP, USA, was carried into the

Even the lowest and most unashamed traitors to our community often rebuke us for this fine situation, for this is what they had feared most since they had decided to pledge their entire lives to worship the politics of the rich

and sell out the interest of the people.

These traitors have been running around for long years bringing disaster, confusion and demoralization to everything they manage to put their hands on. No sooner do the police gangsters shoot down someone, than do these traitors plead with the community to leave matters in the hands of the politicians and courts of the rich. No sooner is there an upsurge in the West Indies than do these traitors scream their enthusiasm and zeal, not for the working people, but for those who administer the affairs of imperialism in the West

Our experience shows that it is only when the banner and politics of the proletariat and its party is upheld and followed that the interest of the people can be served and real successes won in their interests. The leadership of the Marxist-Leninist Party is the guarantee that genuine solidarity will be built with the struggles for national liberation, not the "solidarity" of the traitors with the puppets and stooges who govern for imperialism in the West In-

The West Indians in the United States are, by large, proletarians, members of the working class, who participate in every struggle of the working class and people against the monopoly capitalist dictators and their state power.

The founding of the MLP, USA, the victory of the Founding Congress of the party of the proletariat, is a victory for the proletariat as a whole. The rich and their vagabonds have their parties. Now there is a genuine party of The growth and successes of the the American proletariat. Down with the parties of the rich!

Red salute to the Founding Congress of the Marxist-Leninist Party,

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Grenada: What Kind of Revolution Is



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March 13, 1980 marks the first year since the overthrow of the fascist regime of Gairy in Grenada by the forces of the New Jewel Movement (NJM) led by Maurice Bishop.

At this time it is of utmost impor-

and Tobago sees it as its responsibility pose and combat the regimes which Williams, etc. give their loyalties to the U.S. and other imperialists

tionary trends. One trend, the leftist, is headed by the government in power, the New Jewel Movement, which calls itself the "Peoples 'Revolutionary' Government." (One can expect that in due time the word "revolutionary" will be changed to "socialist" in an attempt to further deceive the people about the undemocratic sellout nature of this government which subordinates the interest of the people of Grenada to that of its social imperialist masters.) This government has the fullest backing of leftist traitors of every kind throughout the Caribbean.

The other trend is led by those inside Granada and throughout the region whose mothers' milk has come from the breasts of Washington and London and who to this day eat out of the crumbs dropping from the mouth

dollars falling out of the over full The Communist Party of Trinidad pockets of their masters. These forces include the staunch supporters of carrying out this task of exposing and Gairy, the anti-communists of every fighting against the treachery of this description and the bourgeois nationsevisionist regime in Grenada just as alists who have sold their navel string we also see our responsibility to op- to U.S. imperialism, such as Eric

squeezed the working class and people Today, in Grenada, a fierce battle is of Grenada and the genuinely patriotic taking place between these two reac- and democratic forces who are fighting for genuine independence and social progress, without the imperialists and social-imperialists.

The large amount of money being given to Grenada by the imperialists is a good measure of the struggle of the two imperialist superpowers for this prize. U.S. imperialism wants to keep this landmark away from Soviet socialimperialist penetration and domination for very strategic reasons. While the Soviet Union is fighting for the setting up of another base of "leftist" reaction in its service in the Carib-

When one considers that Grenada has a population of just over 110,000 people and a workforce of about half of this total, one can see the extent of the plans of imperialism and socialimperialism to super-exploit the work-

tance that a proper assessment be of the imperialist exploiters as they ing class and people with this \$300 milmade of the acheivements of this so- gorge themselves with the riches of lion. Every bone will be sucked dry by called "revolution" in Grenada led by the region, and who live off the few the imperialists to reap maximum profits for their dollars. The repuyment will be through money (interest on loans plus capital repayment, etc.), through political loyalty or through

The question comes up: what kind of revolution is this that makes the imperialists and social-imperialists and Between these two forces are reactionaries so happy that they have invested more than \$300 million in the space of less than twelve months? The answer is that the events in Grenada do not constitute a revolution, they constitute a change of government, a change of managers aimed at strengthening the interests of imperialism and social-imperialism and aimed at continuing the ensiavement of the people of Grenada under the disguise of "nevolution" and other nice sounding phrases.

The imperialists are not scared because this so-called revolution has not touched their vital interest, as any genuine revolution would do.

Where are the moves of the Grenadian government to hit at imperialism, social-imperialism and reaction or to safeguard the victories achieved with the removal of Gairy? There are none of significance. The regime has not

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Message of Greetings on the Founding of the Marxist-Leninist Party of the USA from "People's Voice" of India

☆PEOPLE'S VOICE☆

February 8, 1980

The Central Committee The Marxist-Leninist Party of the USA Dear comrades,

People's Voice heartily hails the founding of the Marxist-Leninist Party of the USA. People's Voice considers the founding of the Marxist-Leninist Party of the USA as a victory for the international proletariat because the Marxist-Leninists in the USA have succeeded in reconstituting the party of the proletariat in the USA which is the decisive condition for smashing the fascist, warmongering and bloodthirsty U.S. imperialist bourgeoisie which is a mortal enemy of the entire mankind.

USA is the fruit of years of arduous struggles by the Marxist-Leninists in the USA whose immediate roots are in the revolutionary mass movements of international proletariat and loyalty to Marxism-Leninism, you comrades unflinclingly defended the revolution and socialism through the years of intense ideological confusion-mongering and splittist activities of the Chinese revisionists and succeeded in reconstituting the party of the proletariat in the USA on the granite foundations of Marxism-Leninism. The great tenacity with which you comrades have fought against Browderite, Khrushchovite, Macis't and other hrands of nevisionism and succeeded in reconstituting the Party is a great source of inspiration for the Whrxist-Leninists in India who are engaged in reconstituting the

The Marxist-Leninist Party of the party of the Indian proletariat. The reconstitution of the party of the proletariat in the USA is a great blow to the fascist effensive of the U.S. imperialist bourgeoisie against the proletariat and the 1960's and 1970's. With unshaken people of the USA, and its war preparfaith in the victory of the cause of the ations. It is a victory for Marxism-Leninism over revisionism and opportunism of all hues. This is indeed a cause of great joy for the international proletariat.

People's Voice is very happy that you comrades have ushered in the decade of the 1980's with the founding of the Marxist-Leninist Party of the USA, and wishes you comrades all the success in strengthening the Party and marching at the head of the proletarial of one of the most industrially advanced countries in the world to smash one of the most aggressive imperialist. powers mankind has known.

With communist greetings.

fice, were obliged to establish anew the revolutionary traditions and Leninstruggie was renewed in an organized way and with a vigorous character and entered a new phase. This struggle further deepened with the founding of

ist-Leninists in 1973. This Congress crowns with victory the struggle of the American Marxist-Leninists to reconstruct the party on the basis of Marxism-Leninism and

gainst monopoly capital and growing revolution and wreckers of the historic with the party of the projetariat of the up to smash the revisionist treachery ism and the anti-Marxist-Leninist

past. The task of reconstructing the of the so-called "peaceful road to party fell to the activists who came for- socialism." In 1969 they founded anew ward from the revolutionary mass the party of the Indian proletariat movements of the 1960's and in subse- with the program of revolutionary quent years, who, at the greatest sacri- overthrow of the reactionary state. This struggle was a part of the great international struggle of the world's ist norms. With the founding of the Marxist-Lenirists against revisionism. American Communist Workers Move- It gave new hope to the millions of ment (Marxist-Leninist) in 1969 this toilers in India that their deepest aspirations for emancipation would be fulfilled. It was a source of inspiration to the revolutionaries the world over.

During the past period the revoluthe Central Organization of U.S. Marx-tionary Marxist-Leninists in India have fought courageously to overcome the brutal onslaught of the reactionary classes and the base treachery of the revisionists, including Chinese revisionism and Mao Zedong Thought, proletarian internationalism. It marks and reconstruct the vanguard party of the advent of the 1980's, a decade of the proletariat on the basis of the revogreat class battles in which the Amer- lutionary doctrine of Marxism-Leninican proletariat will march under the ism. One year ago began the publicabanner of its vanguard party. On this tion of People's Voice. People's Voice day we share this victory with you, our is the glorious voice of Marxism-Leninfraternal comrades with whom, though ism in India, a beacon of revolutionary half a world apart, our heart beats as science shining throughout the land. Its clear and resolute stand assists the The American Marxist-Leninists Marxist-Leninists in all countries in have always drawn great joy and in- defense of the purity of Marxismspiration from the advances of the Ih- Leninism in battle against revisionism diam revolution. In the 1960's the com- and opportunism, including today's munist revolutionaries in Ihdia stood great battles against Chinese revisionthought of Mao Zedong.

It is the proletariat and the proletariat alone which is capable of leading the toiling and oppressed masses of India. to emancipation, and it is only the Marxist-Leninist vanguard party of the proletariat which can guire the class in fulfilling this historic mission. Today, in the inspired and resolute defence of the principles of Marxism-Leninism, in the Marxist-Leninist clarification of the decisive questions facing the India an revolutionaries or a domestic and international scale, People's Voice is laying the granite foundations for that party. This inspires us and gives us confidence in the certain Birth of the party and historic advance of the lidian revolution.

Shoulder to shoulder with the revolutionary Marxist-Leninists in India, the Marxist Leninists in the United States fight in the common cause, the cause of the international proletariat, of socialism and corrnunism.

Long live the militant unity between the Marxist-Leninists of India and the United States!

With warmest revolutionary greetings, Founding Congress of the Marxist-Leninist Party, USAJ

Message of Greetings to "People's Voice" of India from the Founding Congress of the Marxist-Leninist Party of the USA

Dear fraternal comrades,

olutionary greetings.

fascism, against revisionism and op-Today, at the birth of the Marxist- portunism. The determined struggle Leninist Party, USA, the delegates to which was launched against Browderthe Founding Congress in the name of ism and Khrushchovite revisionism the Party send to you our warmest rev- broadened and directed its salvees against Chinese revisionism and so- Deninist party, the party of the prole-This Founding Congress is the fruit cial-chauvinism as well, which had retariat. The legacy of revisionism is of lengthy and arduous struggle a- vealed themselves as enemies of the such that there is no direct continuity

For decades since the betrayal of

modern revisionism the burning question before the working class was the reconstruction of the Marxist-

MESSAGE TO THE CC OF THE CPC(M-L) ON THE

Internationalist Rally on the 10th Anniversary of the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist) Montreal-March 30, 1980

Report from the delegation of the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Party of the USA

On the 30th of March an internationalist rally was held in Montreal marking the 10th anniversary of the founding of the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist), the vanguard party of the Canadian proletariat. Marxist-Leninist parties from various countries throughout the world participated in this grand rally organized by the CPC(M-L) on the theme: "Hold High the Bright Red Banner of Marxism-Leninism and Proletarian Internation-

The founding of the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist) was one of the historic turning points in the life of the Canadian proletariat. Under the conditions of the stifling atmosphere created by the monopoly of liberal-labor politics and cold war ide-

alists before it, asserted anew the revolutionary and Marxist-Leninist traditions of the working class which the revisionists had sought to trample into the mud. The founding of CPC(M-L) was an expression of the revolutionary aspirations of the working class for freedom, independence and socialism.

Many hundreds of workers and other progressive elements militantly participated in the Internationalist Rally, expressing their spirited support for CPC(M-L) and for the fraternal Marxist-Leninist parties, who fight on a common front in the cause of the revolution and socialism.

The fraternal Marxist-Leninist parties participating in the internationalist rally included: the Party of Labor of Albania, the Revolutionary Communist Party of Britain (Marxist-Leninist), the Communist Party of Denmark (Marxist-Leninist), the Workers' Communist Party of France, the Communist Party of Germany (Marxist-Lenin-

ology, CPC(M-L), and the Internation- ist), People's Voice of India, the Workers' and Peasants' Communist Party of Iran, the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed), and the Communist Party of Trinidad and Tobago.

> Comrade Hardial Bains, Chairman of CPC(M-L), addressed the rally on behalf of the Central Committee of the Party. He spoke on the summation of the 10 year history of the Party and on the tasks which lie before it in preparing the coming revolutionary

> Comrade Agim Popa, head of the delegation of the Central Committee of the Party of Labor of Albania, presented a message of greetings to the Central Committee of CPC(M-L). He went on to speak to the recent achievements of the Albanian working class and people in constructing socialism, to the international situation and the struggle against imperialist war. Comrade Popa condemned the revisionists of all hues as firefighters against the revolution, and pointed out the necessity of com

bating and defeating revisionism.

The internationalist rally in Montreal is another manifestation of the triumphant march of the international Marxist-Leninist communist movement. Since the time of the Seventh Congress of the PLA, a number of grand internationalist rallies have been held such as those in Canada, Germany, Italy, Portugal and Spain. These rallies constitute an important contribution to the strengthening of the unity of the international Marxist Leninist communist movement. Forms such as these promote bilateral and mulfilateral contact, close collaboration and joint activity among the Marxist-Leninist parties. The Marxist-Leninist Party, USA hails the internationalist rally in Montreal and the growth and strengthening of the unity of the Marxist-Leninists on a world

Speech delivered to the rally by Comrade Agim Popa, head of the delegation of the Central Committee of the Party of Labor of Albania



Agim Popa

It is a special joy for us to have the opportunity to be here today among you to bring to you the ardent greetings of the Albanian communists on the occasion of the marked event, the 10th anniversary of the founding of the sister Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist).

Binding the Party of Labor of Albania and the Albanian communists with the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist) and the Canadian Marxist-Leninists is a sincere internationalist friendship, based on the struggle for the common ideals of Marxism-Leninism and socialism, on the common struggle against imperialism, social-imperialism, modern revisionism and reaction.

With interest and the sentiments of fraternal solidarity, the Party of Labor of Albania, the working class of our country and the Albanian people have always followed the revolutionary struggle and efforts of the Communist Party of Canada (M-L), the proletariat, the working people and the progressive forces of Canada against the monopoly bourgecisie and capitalist explonation, for the defense of the legitimate rights of the working people, for the progressive ideals, for genuine national sovereignty, for the triumph of socialism. The struggle of the Communist Party of Canada (M-L) and its resolute stands against American imperialism and Soviet and Chinese socialimperialism, against modern revisionism of all shades and the reactionary forces in the world are known in the People's Socialist Republic of Albania and enjoy the complete support of the Albanian communists and people.

The Canadian working class has outstanding traditions of revolutionary struggie. The betrayal of the modern revisionists, who abandoned the ideals of the revolution and socialism and transformed the former communist parties from revolutionary parties of the proletariat into "bourgeois-worker parties" to undermine the revolutionary movement and to perpetuate capitalism, in Canada, too, brought about great damage to the working class and its struggle. But the violence of the bourgeoisie, its demagogy and the revisionist poison have never been able and never will be able to extinguish the revolutionary aspirations and spirit of the Canadian proletariat. The founding of the Communist Party of Canada (M-L) ten years ago, its struggle for democracy, genuine national independence and socialism are clear evidence of the fact that the great ideals of the struggle for the liquidation of all exploration of man by man, for the

building of the new world without exploiters and oppressors, the socialist world, have always been kept alive in the working class and the working people of Canada, that the Canadian proletariat is with each passing day becoming more and more conscious of its historic mission, that the ideas of Marxism-Leninism are invincible. This struggle is a constituent part of the chain of the revolutionary and liberation movement in the world, therefore the Albanian communists and people fully support it.

Dear Comrades, The Albanian communists, the working class and the entire people, too, are fighting with all their might to build up, strengthen and defend socialist society. Last November, our people drew the balance sheet of the magnificent victories they have scored during the 35 years of socialist Albania under the unflinching Marxist-Leninist leadership of the Party of Labor of Albarria with Comrade Enver Hoxha at the head. Last year too, our Party and people celebrated the outstanding jubilee, the 100th anniversary of the birth of the great Marxist-Leninist and revolutionary, J.V. Stalin, while this year we will commemorate the 110th anniversary of the birth of the leader of genius of the world proletariat, V.I.

Our country has now gotten down to work for the realization of the tasks of 1980, which is the last year of the sixth five-year plan. During the four years of the current five-year plan important successes have been achieved in all the fields of socialist construction. During this period of time, too, a general characteristic has also been allround progress, uninterrupted development in every branch and sector of the economy, culture, the defense of the country. The importance of the achievements of socialist Albaria, especially over these last four years. clearly emerges if we take into consideration, on the one hand, the profound crisis which has powerfully gripped the capitalist-revisionist world with all its destructive consequences such as decline in the rates of production, unemployment, inflation, etc., while on the other hand, the outstanding difficulties our people have had to overcome during these years, caused by the imperialist-revisionist encirclement and blockade, by the Chinese sabotage and the immediate severance of all credits and supplies from China, which also left many projects and objects incomplete, as well as by the destructive earthquake of April 15 last year. But, irrespective of this, the tar-

five-year plan have been fulfilled with success, while the results of 1979, the first year without any aid and credit from abroad, are the highest ones recorded as against any previous year of the five-year plan. Socialist Albania was not subjugated, as the Chinese and other revisionists thought, nor will it ever be subjugated; it does not and will never stretch its hand to anybody, but under the unflinching Marxist-Leninist leadership of the Party of Labor of Albania, totally relying on its own forces, it forges only forward. Today, the People's Socialist Republic of Albania is the only country in the world which knows neither crisis, nor decline in the rates of production, neither unemployment, nor price rises, but only stability, progress and an uninterrupted rise in the standard of living of the people. In regard to the damage of the April 15 earthquake, this was liquidated within a mere five months, without any foreign aid and without the slightest decline in the rates of the fulfilment of the tasks in various branches of the economy.

At present, on the basis of the achievements scored over the years of the current five-year plan, work has begun in Albania for the drafting of the seventh five-year plan, which will open up new and broader vistas and which will lay down other bold tasks for the further development in all fields of the complete construction of socialism. The fundamental feature of the new five-year plan, which is being drafted with the direct and active participation of the broad working masses, as an expression of their conscience and will, under the leadership of the Party, is that it will be the first five-year plan which we are drafting and will totally implement relying only on our own forces, without any foreign credits. The Albanian people are firmly convinced that the new five-year plan, too, will be realized and that this will be further outstanding evidence of the vitality of the ideas of Marxism-Leninism and the genuine socialist

These successes and all the victories achieved by socialist Albania during the 35 years of its existence, constitute a valuable historic experience which shows that not only in the major countries, as was the Soviet Union in the time of Lenin and Stalin, but also in a small country faced with an imperialist-revisionist encirclement like Albania, it is entirely possible after the overthrow of the exploiting order and the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat, to construct socialism and defend it from the efforts of internal and enternal enemies, relying, on its own forces, and to carry forward the aninterrupted socialist revolution unceasingly, and block the roads to the danger of retrogression into capitalism, if it is led by an unflinching genrine proletarian party, like the Party of Labor of Albania with Comracle Enver Hosha at the head, which is implementing the teachings of Masxism-Leninism faithfully and creatively and which powerfully unites around itself the working class and all the working the worklare open and very dangerous people with its correct revolutionary acts of aggression, which are directed

Cornrades,

lem taken up for solution. What characterizes our time is the extension and the deepening of the world revolutionary and liberation process, which is no longer divided into a definite front and rear area or completely "calm" areas, zones without revolutionary upheavals, where the bourgeois and imperialist domination is stable and safe.

The triumphant anti-imperialist and anti-feudal revolution in Iran, which toppled the hated medieval dynasty of the Pahlavis and shook the positions of American and world imperialism like an earthquake in the whole area of the Persian Gulf and the Middle East, as well as the revolutionary outbursts in Nicaragua and elsewhere, show that even though they have a powerful economic potential and are armed to the teeth with the most up-to-date means of war and oppression, imperialism and the superpowers and their puppets are not in a position to subjugate the peoples, no matter whether they | the mud. are big or small, when the latter are determined to fight selflessly through to the end and make every sacrifice for their freedom and independence, for the defense of their rights.

But the revolution is not a spontaneous or accidental process. The creation, consolidation and development of the genuine Marxist-Leninist parties, which have taken up and raised aloft the banner of Marxism-Leninism and the revolution, betrayed and thrown aside by the revisionists, clearly shows that, apart from the maturing of the objective conditions, the necessary subjective conditions are gradually being created for the revolution. In his book Imperialism and the Revolution, Comrade Enver Hoxha writes: "On them devolves the burden of opposing the glorious Leminist strategy of the revolution, the great theory of Marxis m-Leninism, to the global strategy of superpowers for expansion, markets, world imperialism and revisionism. On spheres of influence and strategic them devolves the burden of making zones has become extremely acute, the masses fully conscious of the objectives and the right road of the struggle and the sacrifices it demands, of uniting, organizing, guiding and leading them to victory.

Leninists is the unflineling principled Leninists, the revolutionaries and all position in their stand towards imperialism and its enslaving, expansionist ples is to powerfully and constantly exand warmongering policy, too, in parpose these dangerous acts, continually ticular towards American imperialism enhance their vigilance and raise the and Soviet social-imperialism, which broad masses of the working people are today the biggest and the most fer- and the peoples into an active struggle ocious enemies of socialism, the revolution and the freedom-loving peoples. the main bastions of world capitalism and reaction, as well as towards Chimese social-imperialism, which has completely joined in the game of the superpowers and, in alliance with American imperialism, is carrying out a dangerous subversive, counter-revo- only correct stand which leads to salvalutionary and warmongering activity.

The hostile economic and military blockade of American imperialism against fram, together with the military other superpower or shelter under fascist occupation of Afghanistan on the part of Soviet social-imperialism and the efforts of China for hegernous in Southeast Asia and other areas of against the cause of the revolution and freedom of the peoples the world over. We are living at a time when the Everywhere, in the Middle and Far cause the revisionists are the most revolution and national liberation of East, in Africa, Latin America and Euthe peoples are not just an aspiration tope in the Pacific and Indian Oceans, and invertalism, firemen of the revoand a future prospect, but when they in the Mediterranean and Northern Intion, even sometimes, as the great

OCCASION OF THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE CPC(M-L) In the name of the Marxist-Leninists

and class conscious workers of the United States, the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Party of the USA sends to you and to the entire Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist) our heartfelt fraternal revolutionary greetings on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the founding of the CPC(M-L). In the course of the ten years of the life and revolutionary struggle of the CPC(M-L), our Party and its predecessors have closely followed the activity of the CPC(M-L), have studied its experience, and have rejoiced at and been inspired by the victories of the CPC(M-L) and the Canadian proletariat. The CPC(M-L) and our Party have been fraternal fighters in the same trench against imperialism and social-imperialism and against revisionism and opportunism of all hues.

On January 1 of this year, at the Founding Congress of the MLP, USA, as one man the delegates sent their ardent revolutionary greetings to the CPC(M-L) in a unanimous resolution. In part, this resolution reads:

'The fraternal ties between the

proletariat of our countries finds its highest expression in the fraternal relations between the Marxist-Leninists of the U.S. and Canada, which are part and parcel of the relations binding together the international Marxist-Leninist communist movement. These ties were formed at the end of the tumultuous decade of the 1960's amid the powerful storms of struggle of the masses against imperialism and reaction, and in the course of the historic struggle of the world's Marxist-Leninists against modern revisionism. These ties have always been based upon Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, and have been a source of inspiration and strength for us." In this first decade of struggle of the CPC(M-L), you have achieved important victories. The CPC(M-L) was the first Marxist-Leninist party successfully reconstructed in North America following the betrayal of the modern revisionists. The CPC(M-L) rose up against the morass of liberal-labor politics and cold war ideology and against all the treacherous anti-Marxist-Leninist theories of pseudo-revolution. The CPC(M-L) and the Canadian Internationalists and the Canadian Communist Movement (Marxist-Leninist) before it, asserted anew the revolutionary Marxist-Leninist truths which the revisionists had sought to trample into

One of the historic achievements of the Party has been that from the day of its birth it has taken a revolutionary stand against the state and against all reaction. This stand of the Party has been a powerful blow against the philistinism and capitulation propagated by the revisionists and opportunists. The militant comrades of the CPC (M-L) have stood firm against thousands of arrests, against jail sentences and deportations, and against all persecution. The CPC(MI-L) has taken the stand of active resistance. This gloriours history of the CPC(M-L) is eloquent testimony to the proletarian revolutionary spirit of the Party, to the fact that the CPC(M-L) has always been a party of revolutionary action, a party built in the midst of the class

The CPC(M-L) has stood up to mobilize the proletariat for an irreconcilable struggle against the Khrushchovite revisionists, the trotskyites and the social-democrats. As well, the CPC(M-L) was also born in the struggle against New Leftism and neo-revisionism. Carrying forward this tradition, the CPC(M-L) has stood firm against the attacks on it by the Chinese revisionists and has gone to the root of the issue by denouncing the anti-Marxist-Leninist and revisionist Mao Zedong Thought.

The CPC(M-L) has stood for the party principle. It has opposed the liberal morass of anti-party theses pushed by the revisionists and the opportunists, opposed the anarchist phrasemongering against the party, and opposed the Browderite thesis of a loose educational association. It is fitting and proper that the CPC(M-L) has declared the tenth anniversary of its founding to be "the year of the party."

These have been some of the victories of the Party in its ten years of struggle. The founding of the CPC (M-L) was one of the historic turning points for the struggle of the Canadian proletariat. With this act, once again the Canadian proletariat has its genuine vanguard party.

Our two fraternal Parties have been closely linked together for this entire period. We have fought together against the enemies of the revolution. In May 1969 the Canadian Internationalists organized the First Conference of North American Marxist-Leninists held in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada. This conference inspired the activists of the Cleveland Workers Action Committee to take up the heavy responsibilities of uniting the Marxist-Leninists in the U.S. and forming the American Communist Workers Movement (Marxist-Leninist), the single nationwide Marxist-Leninist center, which rapidly grew into the nucleus of the Marxist-Leninist Party. And today, the year of the party in Canada, 1980, is also the year that has seen the birth of the Marxist-Leninist Party of the

Dear fraternal comrades, on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the founding of the CPC(M-L), we wish new victories to the Party of the proletariat of Canada. We are confident that, under the leadership of the CPC (M-L), the proletariat and working people of Canada will match forward in revolutionary struggle. Under the leadership of the Party, they will make the rich pay, throw U.S. imperialism out of Canada, carry forward the socialist revolution and build a new Canada, a socialist Canada without exploitation and with genuine independence and democracy for the people. At your side will be the proletariat of the United States, marching forward under the banner of the MLP, USA in the common cause of the revolution, socialism and communism.

Hail the tenth anniversary of the founding of the CPC(M-L)!

Long live the international Marxist-Leminist communist movement!

Glory to Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism!

> Central Committee of the Marxist-Lemnist Party, USA March 30 1980

menacing countries and peoples, while the unprecedented armaments race they are conducting is leading the world towards a new general slaughter. Under these conditions and cir-What characterizes the Marxist- curistances, the duty of the Marxistthe progressive and peace-loving peoto stay the hand of the imperialist and social-imperialist aggressors, enclavers and war mongers, to restrain their military adventures and, in case they erupt, harf themselves into the revolution to overthrow that hated order which gives rise to exploitation, oppression and destructive wars. The tion is determined blow for blow struggle against all the superpowers and not illusions or reliance on one or the

their underella. In the context of the efforts for the preparation of the subjective factor of the revolution, of special importance today is the struggle of the Marrist-Lemnists against modern revisionism of all strades - Yugoslav and Soviet, "Euroco mnumist" and Chinese - bedangerous agency of the bourgeoisie gets of the four years of the current have been put on the agendu as a prob- Seas, the rivalry among the imperialist Lexin said, better defenders of the (Marxist-Levinish), March 31, 1986.)

bourgeois domination than the bourgeoisie itself. Without exposing and smashing modern revisionism of no matter what trend, without divorcing the working class and the masses of the people from the poisonous and counter-revolutionary influence of revisionism, there can be no talk of the proletarian revolution and the triumph of socialism.

In the common struggle against capitalist exploitation, ugainst American and world imperialism, Soviet and Chinese social imperialism, modern revisionism of all shades, reaction, fascism and the danger of war, to carry forward the cause of the revolution and the freedom and independence of the peoples, of democracy and socialism, accoming to the immortal teachings of Marxism-Leninism, the great internationalist unity of the Marxist-Leninists. is born, grows stronger and is tempered from day to day, and this is one of the important sources of our strength in the face of the front of the

Long live the militart friendship and internationalist unity between the Party of Labor of Albania and the Cornmunist Party of Canada (M.L.), between the Albanian communists and the Canadian Marxist-Lerinists, and revolutionaries, between the working alass and peoples of Albania and

Glory to Marxisma Leninism!

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ship of indebtedness and high interest rates weighing on the working masses. Rather, the administration's sole concern is ensuring the Wall Street banks and financial houses their fantastic interest rates on their loaned capital. The economic crisis, coupled with an 18% rate of inflation, is wreaking havoc with the bond and credit markets. The White House and the Federal Reserve have taken various new measures to stabilize the credit markets in the face of a current 20% prime interest rate. (The prime rate is the interest rate banks charge to their best shortterm corporate borrowers. Until September of last year a prime rate of 121/2% was the highest rate in history.) In the first place Carter is placing restrictions on consumer credit and jacking up consumer credit fees and interest sky-high. This policy of "credit restraint" is part of a policy of unrestrained profit-making by the big flation. While they are invariably banks and other financial parasites at the expense of the working class and people and even at the expense of the smaller and weaker capitalist firms which are being bankrupted at a faster and faster rate.

Beefing Up "Wage-Price Guidelines" to Cut the Workers' Wages

The forcible suppression of the workers' wage scales through a system of wage restraints has been and continues to be the bottom line of Carter's "fight against inflation." This is despite the fact that workers' wage increases don't cause either inflation or price increases. The administration's latest "anti-inflation" measures will further beef up the government's system of "wage-price guidelines" to more savagely cut the workers' wages. It is well known that these "wageprice" restraints are solely for the purpose of restraining wages while the price of gasoline, health care, interest rates, etc., continue to go through the roof with the full blessings of the ad-

In the first place, Carter has ordered "stronger monitoring and enforcement" of the guidelines to be able to intervene in a greater number of contract struggles and to bring more pressure to bear on employers who fail to ministration, whether guided by a fiskeep wage scales within the guide- cally "conservative" or "liberal" polilines. For this purpose the size of the cy, or whether the budget deficit is bureaucracy of the Council on Wage curtailed for a given year or not, this and Price Stability will be doubled. At the same time, Carter has endorsed the proposal of the pay board to raise the wage guidelines from the previous 7% pay limit to a "more flexible" 7.5- system. 9.5% limit on combined pay and benefit increases. This alleged concession lar, comes about through the expanto the AFL-CIO labor traitors who sit sion of the money supply or its equiva-

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Carter, sang duets about their "new relationship" saying it was a "factor for peace and stability in Asia and the world." But the brutal Chinese invasion of Viet Nam, which is a product as well as a vivid example of the U.S.-China alliance, exposed for all to see the true nature, the warmongering nature of this alliance.

Indeed, the open U.S.-China alliance has been widely advertised as a ond world" and especially with the way to thwart the hegemonism of the Soviet social-imperialists - which both Washington and Beijing want to portray as the only aggressor. The Soviet Union, since the rise of Khrushchovite revisionism, has been a ferocious imperialist state which has carried out brutal invasions and neo-colonial expansion. But since when have the U.S. imperialists, who stand convicted of plundering and strangling the people on every continent, been any different? The two superpowers, the U.S. and the Soviet Union, as the two biggest world oppressors and plunderers are to the same degree the gravest threat to the world's people. Coming under the umbrella of one superpower to protect against the other will only spell disaster for the toiling masses who will pay a heavy price.

In addition, as part of the U.S.-China alliance, the Chinese revisionists have made it their mission to subvert the anti-imperialist revolutions in Asia, Africa and Latin America. They find every opportunity to paint in progressive colors all the bloody dictators who are puppets of U.S. imperialism in those countries. For instance when Hua Kuofeng visited Iran, the country was in the midst of the revolutionary struggle which eventually toppled the Shah, a puppet who had been installed by the U.S. CIA in 1953. Hua found a way to support the Shah and slap the face of the revolutionary masses, who were laying down their lives for their freedom even as he was visiting. While in Iran Hua sang praises to the Shah, alleging that he was an "opponent of superpower hegemonism." As long as some word is uttered against Soviet social-imperialism, any dictator is welcomed into the bosom of the U.S.

neuver to keep the guidelines intact. In quired for the circulation of commodifact, the new guidelines mean a much more severe slashing of real wages in

the face of the present 18% inflation. The bolstering of Carter's "voluntary wage-price guidelines" is another step on the road of fully mandatory controls. Presently Carter is continuing to mouth opposition to mandatory controls as opposed to such liberal-labor politicians as Ted Kennedy and a number of his boosters among the AFL-CIO and UAW labor bureaucrats who are calling for an immediate repeat of fascist Nixon's mandatory controls. These controls cut wages simply by federal decree. In reality, however, since taking office Carter has been introducing piecemeal a system of wage guidelines with the same objective of rigging up the fully mandatory and fascist wage controls as advocated by Kennedy and various labor traitors.

All these systems of "wage-price restraints" and controls have nothing to do with eliminating or controlling inwrapped in sweet words about "fairness" and "equality of sacrifice," they have a singular purpose — ensuring maximum profits for monopoly capital by freezing wages while prices soar out of sight.

Runaway Inflation — A Product of the Grave Crisis Gripping the **Monopoly Capitalist System**

It is readily admitted by the various circles of economic "experts" that Carter's latest "anti-inflation" measures, just like all the ones before them, will not significantly reduce the rate of inflation. It is claimed that at most the CPI will be affected by one-half of a percentage point by the revision of the budget while the added gasoline tax will by itself boost the CPI by a full percent. Even the White House spokesmen admit that the main result of these measures will be "psychologi-

Such admissions underscore the reality that the present galloping inflation cannot be banned by decree or 'worked out of the system' by governmental tinkering. The sore of runaway inflation has deepened over the last dozen years of the Nixon, Ford and Carter presidencies; and whether under a Republican or Democratic adcurse will not go away. This is because rampant inflation has become completely bound up with the orisis which is gripping the monopoly capitalist

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These crimes against the anti-im-

perialist revolutions are part and par-

cel of the theory of "three worlds"

which is a theoretical cornerstone of

the U.S.-China alliance. It is under this

theory that the Chinese revisionists

call on the world's people to entirely

give up the anti-imperialist struggle in

any form and instead enter into imper-

ialist alliances. This theory calls on the

"third world" to unite with the "sec-

U.S.-led Western imperialists, with

NATO and the Japanese imperialists,

under the hoax of struggle against the

so-called "first world" (the two super-

powers). But the true intent of this

theory is revealed by the Chinese revi-

sionists themselves who have given up

all the pretense of struggle against the

"first world" and are instead calling

for unity with one half of the "first

world," namely with bloodthirsty U.S.

imperialism, against the so-called

"main enemy," the Soviet social-

This formula in defense of U.S. im-

perialist aggression is put forward by

the "three worlders" in this country

too. Michael Klonsky, leader of the so-

called "Communist" Party "ML" and

a free-lance advisor for the Pentagon

through the pages of his chauvinist

newspaper, The Call, as well as other

"three worlders," are the most ardent

defenders of U.S. imperialism and its

policy of war and aggression. Their

single mission in life is to line up the

working class and people behind the

war chariot of the U.S.-China aggres-

sive alliance under the slogan that the

U.S. proletariat should "direct the

With the Soviet invasion of Afghan-

istan they are more explicitly than ever

spelling out their strategy of uniting

"all who can be united" behind the

warmongering and aggressive policies

of the U.S. government. As The Call

puts it: "U.S. government action can

be seen only as one component part of

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ties. The printing of money to cover the tens of billions of dollars of federal deficits is a major ingredient, but not the sole ingredient to the creation of inflation. The money supply is also expanded by the wild speculations of the monopoly financiers in ventures of various sorts which swell the values of the paper in the hands of finance capital independent from any actual expansion of production or circulation of goods. Part of the stocks and bonds thus conjured up by the wizards of financial speculation are also used like money for the buying and selling of commodities. So this increase in paper values also inflates the currency. The capitalist owners seize on this situation of an inflated dollar to jack up prices to the sky and thus rake in more millions in profits at the expense of the real purchasing power of the masses.

Since the conclusion of World War II, inflation has become a permanent feature of the capitalist economy. But it is only over the last dozen or so years that it has taken on huge proportions. This runaway inflation is a product of the crisis of the parasitic and decaying monopoly capitalist system. It is an indication of the all-encompassing and comprehensive nature of the crisis. Among other things, it reflects the fact that all the measures taken over the previous decades to alleviate or temporize the economic crises have in recent years become bound up within their own contradictions and are today only further aggravating the crisis.

For example, a massive system of consumer credit has been developed to artificially expand markets, to maintain sales and profits in the face of crisis and to chain the people to the banks and other creditors. But consumer credit itself has become a source of crisis. It is impoverishing the masses with monthly payments they can no longer meet. There is a rapidly growing number of personal bankruptcies, and the sphere of consumer credit has become intertwined with the financial crisis as a whole.

Another example is the huge expansion of the federal budgets and the use of deficit spending. Through these means, means which have been massively applied in the post-war period, monopoly capital has attempted to stimulate the economy and cushion the full impact of economic crisis. The last 15 years have witnessed a drastic ballooning of government expenditures at all levels, and the federal deficits over the last decade have been several times greater than those of any previous period. Nevertheless, at the same time, the last decade has also witnessed two major recessions, including the severe industrial crisis which broke out in 1974-75 and which was followed by five years up to the present of severe sis measures, the monopoly corporaeconomic stagnation. And now the

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capitalist economy is sitting on the profits despite the severe economic precipice of yet a third devastating re- crisis. The truth is that Carter and the

stimulation of the economy through inflation which is so profitable for a the expansion of government budgets handful of capitalist moneybags, even and deficit spending, which in the past if they could. Rather, Carter's "antiplayed a role in artificially expanding inflation" measures are brutal measmarkets and ameliorating crises, is to- ures to make the burden of inflation an day wreaking economic and financial havoc. Among other factors, the rav- masses. They are part of the capitalist ages of inflation are impoverishing the offensive against the working class working masses, distorting and ruin- and people to make them pay for the ing various markets, and generating anarchy and chaos in the credit and monetary systems. Consequently, the destructive force of inflation is further exacerbating and prolonging the cri-

Nevertheless, the ruinous effects of inflation do not mean that the capitalist ruling class has the means or the will to put an end to deficit spending and inflation. Quite the opposite. The exploiters are trying to overcome the ment, to submit to "restraint" and present crisis by increasing the exploitation of the exploited. And the means unbridled robbery of a handful of fiby which they are increasing this ex- nancial parasites. The reality of the sitploitation is only paving the way for uation, the 18% rate of inflation and even more catastrophic crisis in the future. With the objective of protecting the profits of the rich, the capitalist solution to the crisis is to squeeze the masses still harder, to strangle the revolutionary struggle of the proletariat and people at home and abroad, to seize new markets and territory through war and aggression. And to realize this solution, monopoly capital is generating runaway inflation.

The crisis is accelerating the growing revolt of the working class and people at home and the intensification of the revolutionary struggles of the peoples abroad, as well as bringing about the further aggravation of the inter-imperialist rivalries. To cope with this situation, the big bourgeoisie is systematically strengthening the U.S. imperialist war machine and the government apparatus of oppression and robbery of the working masses, beefing up the police and bureaucracy, building prisons, etc. In the face of the crisis, the monopolies are striving to realize maximum profits through the militarization of the economy, including the construction of the most sophisticated, multi-billion dollar weapons of mass murder such as the MX missile system, Trident submarines, etc. The capitalist billionaires are also resorting to unprecedented plunder of the treasury as exemplified by the tens of billions of dollars in federal debt payments to the banks, the \$1.5 billion to bail out Chrysler, and other massive handouts to the monopoly corporations. All this adds up to geometrically expanding deficits and runaway infla-

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government of the rich which he heads Thus, the last decade shows that the have no intention of eliminating this even more unbearable weight on the economic crisis.

No Relief from the Ravages of Inflation Can Be Expected from the Gods of Plague

For the working masses, no relief from the ravages of inflation can be expected from the gods of plague. To submit to the anti-working class measures of the monopoly capitalist govern-"making sacrifices" is to submit to the the all-sided assault on the livelihood of the people, shows the dire necessity for the working masses to step up the struggle against the exploitation and oppression of big capital. It is only by carrying out a resolute struggle to defy Carter's wage controls and to press their demands for higher wages that the workers can find any relief from the ravages of inflation.

The resistance movement of the working class itself is absolutely necessary to block the capitalist offensive and save the workers from total ruin. There is no relief for the masses in the false promises and lies of the "pro-labor" Democrats or "big business" Republicans, from Carter, Kennedy, Reagan, or any other two-faced political lap dog of the rich. The working class must pursue its own class policy, that is, it must get organized on the basis of its own proletarian class politics, independent from and in resolute opposition to the program of the rich. On this road the working class and people will be able to carry out a successful struggle in defense of their interests and overthrow the bloodsucking monopoly capitalist system alto-

Enver Hoxha With Stalin (Memoirs)

With Stalin (Memoirs) was recently published in the People's Socialist Republic of Albania on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the birth of the great Marxist-Leninist J.V. Stalin. The book was written by Comrade Enver Hoxha, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the PLA. It consists of two parts: the first part is entitled "On the Centenary of the Birth of Joseph Stalin" and the second part consists of the author's memoirs from five meetings with Stalin in the 1947-52 period.

The book With Stalin (Mem-

oirs) clearly reveals the figure and role of Stalin as an outstanding and beloved leader of the Russian and international proletariat, as a dear friend of the oppressed peoples of the whole world fighting for freedom, independence, democracy and socialism, as un unflinching revolutionary fighter who consis tently defended, implemented and carried further the ideas and work of Marx, Engels and Lenin. It is a powerful and convincing denunciation of the slanders of the bourgeoisie and modern revisionists of all hues against Stalin and his historic work.

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U.S. congressmen and political figures" being against the cold war and. others for it. Naturally, the Beijing Review is for the worst Reagan-ites and warmongers and is in favor of each new military step of the Carter administration. But in truth all the U.S. imperialist political figures are equally imperialists, only with slight differences on how best to go about striving to dominate the world and carry out inter-imperialist rivalries and how best to hoodwink the American people. Beijing Review, however, rushes in with this tale of "appeasement," straight out of the fantasies of the John Birch society, in order to prove its allegiance to world imperialism and its

rabid opposition to the revolution. Today a broad movement against the reintroduction of the draft has broken out. This movement is part of the struggle against all U.S. imperialist war preparations. Through this struggle thousands of working class youth and of students are being brought into active struggle against U.S. imperialism. This attack on the anti-draft movement by Beijing Review shows the counter-revolutionary and utterly reactionary nature of the Chinese revisionists. It shows that the Chinese revisionists are nothing but cynical social-imperialists and army recruiters and drill sergeants for U.S. imperialism. The Chinese warmongers are lecturing the youth and students that they should give up their allegedly cowardly "reluctance" to take part in imperialist slaughter and take up fighting for the red-white-and-blue with sword in hand. The Chinese social-imperialists want to incite an inter-imperialist war between U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism which they feel will be to their advantage. They hope to prosper through the massacre of millions upon millions

of the anti-draft movement. However, stop the Soviets, he should cut off all imperialism.

of people.

their special role in the imperialist strategy is to infiltrate the people's movement and subvert them. So they have to find ways and means of trying to make the Beijing Review's warmongering palatable to the masses. Thus The Call, organ of the Pentagon-socialist "CPML," has set for itself the task of bringing the anti-draft movement into the context of being a part of a worldwide coalition with U.S. imperialism against Soviet social-imperialism. They stress that one cannot oppose all imperialism, for "it is folly to fight all enemies at once, or to fight alone. Better to single out the main source of hegemonism and aggression and unite all who can be united to resist it." (The Call, January 7, 1980) Therefore they support U.S. imperialist aggression, advocating that "U.S. government action (what a nice polite description of U.S. aggression and militarism — ed.) can be seen only as one component of a worldwide effort against the Soviet war machine." (The Call, January 7, 1980) On this basis, they support all the warmongering steps of the Carter administration, holding that "Faced with such obvious threats to its longstanding position of dominance in the world, the U.S. government has begun to take concrete measures against Soviet expansion.... Although these moves are doubtlessly designed to further U.S. imperialism's own quest for world power, they are positive in that they present obstacles to Soviet aggression, which is the main threat to world peace." (The Call, January 28, 1980)

But how to reconcile these positions with the necessity to work in the antidraft movement? The "three worlders" of the "CPML" accomplish this feat by arguing that there are other, more effective ways to counter "threats" to U.S. imperialism's 'long-standing dominance in the world" than the draft. The Call argues that: "There are many steps available to Carter right now besides the draft.

trade." (February 18, 1980) They also suggest selling weapons to China, tving the heroic Afghan resistance to U.S. imperialism, and other similar steps. The "CPML" stresses that it is for a harsher stand than Carter, and even denounces the Carter doctrine as 'in certain respects...even a step back from the Sonnenfeldt Doctrine of 1975. which subsequently became a synonym for appeasement." (February 4, 1980) They are for weighing the draft against other measures and seeing which is more effective. As for the draft itself, this is a matter of timing. The organizational secretary of the "CPML's" youth league points out that "the real question isn't whether women should be drafted, but rather if anyone should be drafted at this time." (The Call, February 18, 1980, page 3, emphasis ours) Thus he is opposed to the fight against the militarization of women and wishes the question reduced to when is it best to reinstitute the draft.

This is exactly the nature of the 'CPML's' "opposition" to increases in defense spending. The Call asks: "Why must defense spending be boosted when even the government's own reports show massive waste and efforts to simply line the pockets of the government bureaucrats and defense contractors, while driving down the masses' standard of living? (February 4, 1980) However, if the money really went into building more H-bombs and not into "the pockets of the government bureaucrats," if it really was used for fighting for U.S. imperialism's interests, then The Call would be satisfied. That would be a "concrete measure against Soviet expansionism.'

The movement against the reintroduction of the draft must be oriented against U.S. imperialism. The Chinese revisionist Beijing Review is an open enemy of the anti-draft movement. The "CPML" "three worlders" are camouflaged enemies trying to infil-The Chinese revisionist supporters For example, the U.S. continues to trate the anti-draft movement. They in the U.S., "our own" domestic supply the Soviets with technological both have the same positions and they 'three worlders," are also opponents and economic aid. If Carter wants to are both recruiting sergeants for U.S.

BEIJING REVISIONISTS of stepped-up aggression and rattling of sabers. "Faced with such obvious Continued from page 11 threats to its longstanding position of dominance in the world, the U.S. gov-

threat to world peace." (The Call, Jan. 28, 1980) What unabashed and total enthusiasm for imperialism! The "concrete measures" "designed to further U.S. imperialism's own quest for world power" and to consolidate its "longstanding position of dominance in the world" have become a "posi The U.S.-China warmongering alliance, being part of the war preparations of the U.S. imperialists, has earned the wrath of the people. Along with the mass protests and demonstrations against the draft, against Trident submarines, and against the nuclear energy program, all over the country militant protests were also held

the U.S. and against the strengthening of the U.S.-China warmongering alli-This movement against the imperialist war preparations - the antinuclear movement, the anti-draft movement, and the movement against the U.S.-China warmongering alliance, etc. - is drawing thousands and thousands of youth into open conflict with U.S. imperialism. In this movement they are being tempered and trained in struggle and through their own experience they are becoming convinced of the necessity of revolution. Mass revolutionary struggle is the only path forward which can combat the wild and frenzied war preparations by pushing forward the revolution. The anti-imperialist struggle is a powerful force for the development of the socialist revolution that will put an

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