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IBJ reveals labor plans

This year’s ‘Message to Congress and the Nation’ delivered by CIO President John L. Lewis contained the hall marks of campaign rhetoric – a defense of the union movement, a plea for an election year. The President was trying to smooth over last year’s controversial strike, which cost the United States 500,000 workers and meant a loss of $3 billion in output. The President was also trying to undo the work of the labor movement and to reestablish the status quo.

But IBJ did start to get down to the real meaning of its policies to solve the crisis for the banks and industrialists, who represent their clients when they talked about the need for the tax surcharge to help stem inflation. But taxing the workers is only part of IBJ’s plan to meet the rising prices, interest rates and overcome the balance of payments problem. The bigger part is to raise interest rates. More ominous measures were implied in Johnson’s speech.

He warned the ‘leaders of the American industrialists’ that they had better act ‘re- sponsibly’ and ‘not endanger the nation’s interests by keeping increases in line with productivity growth or to reconcile them with those necessary consequences’.

These threats against the banks became more concrete and explicit in an obscure paragraph of Mr. Johnson’s speech.

The Administration is given notice that it is not going to allow any attempt to raise wages or to raise the balance of payments position as has been the case when they have tackled the steel crisis of 1965 according to Treasury Department officials. The cessation of steel production in a long strike would mean a loss of $2 billion in dollars that would have to be replaced.

The threat to the steel workers is just one of the growing, everyday, in every way, the U.S. capitalist class under Johnson’s leadership, is making plans to straitjacket the trade unions in increasing desperate efforts to make a stagnating capitalist system work.

DEFEND VIETNAM, KOREA, CHINA

VICTORY DRIVE U.S. IMPERIALISTS AGGRESSORS OUT OF ASIA

Now comes the Pueblo incident. It is openly admitted that the ship was off the coast of Korea for the purposes of spying on Korea, gathering possible information, as to how to defend her, her people and her way of life, and the like. Thus its purpose was to gather information preparation for any possible future U.S. aggression against China.

The reaction to the incident was widespread and petroleum to the incident itself. Not only was the largest aircraft carrier in the area, this is now being supplemented by two navy task forces, a call up of reserve, and putting virtually the entire Navy on alert. The Vietnam war is.

The village of Khesan

is an impasse. Some 15,000 to 20,000 North Vietnamese and Vietcong troops have gathered around the Marine base at khesan and are lobbing shells into the base with howitzers. The weather is bad and the enemy is strong in defending the defense of the Marine forces. Clearly this indicates that the United States, despite the 500,000 troops, is on the defensive in Vietnam.

The crisis of world capitalism has reached the point where leading imperialist power of them all, the United States, must fight to uphold the sacred dollar. The preservation of capitalist rule is forcing the capitalists to prepare a war against the working conditions of American workers as well as workers of all capitalist countries and to push and push and push ever closer to a war of conquest against the workers states.

MOSCOW TRIALS 1968

by Fred Mueller

Thirty years ago the infamous Moscow trials of 1936-38 were staged by Stalin. The trial was the high point in his struggle to destroy the Bolshevik party, the revolution and its legacy. But the continuity of this party was fought for and maintained by Trotsky and his supporters in the Fourth International. Now, thirty years later, the Trotsky program for world revolution has served and represented so faithfully continues to live in the forefront.

Although this privileged and reactionary stratum still rules, and still uses some of the techniques used by Stalin, it is haunted by opposition. This opposition is growing steadily and the bureaucracy is forced to take countermeasures, especially against the intellectuals and the youth. This is the meaning of the recent trials, the trials of 1965-68.

Victims

Aleksandr Glazunov, Yuri Galaktionov, Aleksandr Dobrovolsky and Vera Laslkhove have just been tried and sentenced to 5, 5, 5, and 4 years in prison respectively. This was only the latest in a series of trials.

In 1966 writers Daniel Sayansky and Yuri Daniel were sentenced to hard labor for the sole crime of having written and sent abroad for publication in works which were not approved by the bureaucrats. Another writer, Vladimir Bukovsky, was tried in August 1967 and sentenced to 3 years at hard labor for organizing a demonstration protest the arrest of Ginzburg, Galaktionov, Dobrovolsky and Laslkhove.

The Soviet regime, whose grandfather faithfully served Stalin as Soviet foreign minister and in other posts for many years, has been dismissed from his job as an assistant in the physics depart- ment of the Institute of Precision Chemical Technology. As the defendants themselves from the Bukovsky trial abroad in defiance of secret police threats.

There will be more trials -- if that we can be sure. The open opposition to Stalinism will grow and take in other sections of the population, the working class in particular. The most significant thing about the recent trials is that the defendants (with the sole exception of Dobro- volsky in the most recent trial) have steadfastly proclaimed their innocence, their devotion to socialism and to the conquests of the Soviet Union, along with their hatred of the bureaucracy.

The bureaucracy is afraid to let writers work. Even the act of writing is a punishable by hard labor. Even the publication of trial testimony paralyzed the brass of the bureaucracy and they respond with hysterical rages.

The trials signify the ever-deepening crisis of the bureaucracy. Capitalism is a crisis, and supporters of the bureaucracy such as the Am- erican press and the CPUs will be asked where they stand in the struggle for Soviet democracy. Thus far the American CP has maintained a very still diplomatic silence.

The bureaucrats work night and day to stamp out the opposition, especially to divide the intellectuals from the masses of Soviet workers who will not succeed. The intellectuals express deep feelings and beliefs, and the common people, discontent which is not far beneath the surface. In the course of the struggle a new revolutionary leadership as part of the Fourth International can and will be built, which will re- affirm the traditions of the revolution forward as part of the world struggle for sociali.

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LABOR, THE ANTIWAR MOVEMENT

by Lucy St. John

The ‘anti-war movement and the working class’ was the subject of a panel discussion at the Workers League Militant Labor Forum on Jan. 19th. Dobbs’ remarks are of extreme importance in understanding the role of the Socialist Workers Party’s revisionism.

Dobbs’ position on the struggles of the working class is most revealing. In the past he has been used as a left cover for the SWP for its anti-working class, opportunist politics in the anti-war and black nationalistic movements. Dobbs represents the SWP’s last tie with the working class. He speaks from long experience in the party as a leader in the trade union movement particularly during the militant struggles of the 1930s.

The major portion of Dobbs’ remarks were devoted to explaining how the labor movement is not reactionary and do not act as the mass movement as a unit in defense against the attack of fascism. It is not the job of the SWP to interfere and lead the working class. Rather, it sits back and lets the working class struggle for itself. This is a complete reversal of the SWP’s policy of leading the working class.

Dobbs believes that the workers are not ready for a labor party. First, he said, they must go through a number of stages. Dobbs believes that the workers become class conscious by being pushed by objective conditions into greater necessity. They form left wing caucuses which program and in time they challenge their leaders which in turn forces the government to crack down even harder on the working class. Eventually they gain class consciousness and overthrow their leaders. All this will be accomplished more readily, according to Dobbs, by ‘taking advantage of rifts in the bureaucracy.’

Dobbs’ position even further, Dobbs, when attacked on Jan. 19 by the Workers League, explained that the SWP’s conception of the labor party is that of a labor party it sees in Britain led by liberals and trade union bureaucrats. Therefore, they conclude on the basis of these facts that this is the stage of the American working class to go through. The SWP sees history in formal stages and thus cannot understand history. This is the SWP’s conception of the labor party and poses in its place the theory that objective conditions will produce the pressure which will throw up its own leaders and replace the role of the conscious vanguard party.

This is the logic of the SWP’s politics. The SWP, which is the basis of Bolshevism of Marxist method, of dialectics. The SWP reflects the deepest form of Bolshevism. Some of the thought of a labor party it sees in Britain led by liberals and trade union bureaucrats. Therefore, they conclude on the basis of these facts that this is the stage the American working class must go through. The SWP sees history in formal stages and thus cannot understand history. This completely lacks an understanding of the crisis of capitalism and how it develops. The crisis does not develop through long periods of formal stages but by leaps. It is the task of the revolutionary party to intervene at all times in the struggles of the working class to prepare the people and the leap that will bring the class to power.

For an understanding of what we mean by leaps in the development of the class it is an example of a trade union organization in the United States was largely confined to a few skilled trades and the mass production of熟练 workers. Then in the midst of the depression millions of industrial workers were brought into new trade unions within a space of two years.

But this leap was not some spontaneous development of the class. It had been prepared for by over a half century of struggle for industrial unionism, led in most cases, by radicals, by socialists, by the working class.

The next great leap of the American working class will be the creation of its own party. But this cannot be a new party on the experience of the British workers in forming a labor party fifty years ago at an early stage of capitalism, development and nationalization of a political, the American party of the working class takes place during a period of the extreme decline of world capitalism. While there was a great drive in the imperialist war in Vietnam and the growing internal crisis in each capitalist nation. The labor bureaucracy faced by being an independent party against the capitalists politically or in any other way, is tied each day closer and closer to the capitalists and their political parties.

Such a party cannot be content to press reforms from capitalists at a time when the capitalists must press on the workers. They must press on the workers and the system will just. Thus, of necessity the creation of such a party must be seen as a struggle against not only the capitalists but the labor bureaucracy and a struggle for not simply reforms but transitional demands which move the workers toward the government and are the interests of the socialist system to achieve their own ends.

intervention

Such a great leap of the American working class must be prepared for now by the intervention of the Marxist party in the unions to lead the struggle for a labor party. This is what the SWP and Dobbs refuse to do. This is what the Workers League is doing through its leadership of the ‘Trade Unions for a Labor Party.’

What the SWP reflects is a modern version of Menshevism. It was the Mensheviks who did not understand how the crisis of capitalism was reflected in Russia and insisted that the Russian working class would have to go through long stages of capitalist development before there could be a socialist revolution. The Mensheviks in turn fought the Menshevik conception of the party and looked to the bourgeois’s representatives like Kerensky for leadership. Are the SWP’s policies any different?

The Workers League grew out of the struggles in the SWP against revisionism. The Workers League was born it the struggles against the SWP against the theory that leaders such as Castro can replace the role of the Marxist party. Today the SWP applies this theory to the struggles of the American working class.

leadership

The labor party comes not from the bureaucrats but out of the struggles of the working class against the intervention of the party. The formation of a labor party is not a formal stage but the understanding by the working class of the need to take power. This understanding is the question facing the working class today. The task of the Marxist party is to intervene in the struggles of the class and give leadership to the fight for a political alternative. This crisis of leadership is what the SWP has totally abrogated. This is why it is no longer a Marxist party and can only aid those who seek to lead the class to defeat.
CRISIS HITS CANADIAN DOLLAR

TORONTO—Canadian capitalism is in the midst of a dollar crisis brought about by the devaluation of the Pound and increasing pressure on the U.S. dollar. As of the Canadian dollar has dropped to 57.50 to the U.S. dollar, less than one week the Bank of Canada has been forced to liquidate billions of U.S. dollars in efforts to stave off an exchange reserves to support the dollar. Even with this massive outflow of capital, the Canadian dollar has dropped on the money market 52.50 to the U.S. dollar, in just 5 days of trading.

The crisis has just begun. Already the government is preparing new austerity measures such as the cancellation of the implementation date for Medicare and cuts in spending on national schools. New measures are being taken against the Trade Union movement, with the reclassification of large numbers of public employees as ‘non-essential’ leading to a_sequential removal of their union rights. A recent strike of 15000 workers of court reporters in Toronto against the Province’s reclassification with the ‘survival of the Canadian Union of Public Employees’ strike, It is estimated that in the next year apartment rental costs in Toronto will increase 12-14%. Already the minimum apartment rental for the average sized family in Toronto stands at $1300, representing two weeks, attack.

In an attempt to resolve the crisis facing capitalism, the government is taking no chances with the stability of its bounded wealth. In the past week the Bank of Canada has increased its real estate holdings to $3 billion, to increase its share of renting and mortgage costs ex_factor from the working class. This is fairly typical. As Canada’s capitalist class is struggling with its liquidity its government is inaugurating a campaign to push the working class back into the trade union movement back into the middle ages.

Canada’s ruling class has been trying to cover up the extent of the crisis facing the economy in an effort to plan the attack against the standard of living and work_ers in the working class hoping to catch the trade union movement at spread. Finance Minister Sharpe’s ‘we won’t hurt’ statement on President Johnson’s New Year’s economic restrictions was, to put it mildly, less than candid. Now Sharpe is saying in response to the recent run on the Canadian dol_ lar, that speculative selling on Canada’s upcoming devaluation ‘will be making a big mistake’. As Sharp denies any sort of crisis, the ruling Liberal Party is going through a strugle for leadership following Pearson’s ‘retirement’ in preparation for future class battles. The Conservatives have polished off their image the party that would instill confidence of the highest sort in world business. As of today, are the party ready, but how about la_bor? Who is prepared to re_invest in the nation’s economy in favor of the working population?

fight

In no fundamental way does this outlook differ from the past with the same fire of the British Labor Party. What to the NDP is a matter of rational economic policy, the govern_ment has become the death knoll of the British Labor Party. The British trade union movement is a major attack on the British working class. There is nothing holding the NDP from following the course of its sister British Labor Party and that party’s leadership’s attempted ‘final solution to the working class problem’. The NDP must fight to make the NDP fight for labor.

Labor must fight to make the NDP fight for labor. Only in this way can the working class maintain the offensive against the attacks of the employers and their government. The communists and the Labor movement in the middle class world the bosses are upstaging all the norms of rational thinking, an_social reform. The ruling class is doing such for the sake of the bosses. With the time it comes to lighten hours and cuts wages, raise pay and improve working conditions, they have no intention to be bound to agree. What is required is a new leadership that fight for the poor and working people.

demand

The New Demo_crat Party members of Parliament open immediately a campaign to defend the work_ers and labor movement against toda_y and youth from the attacks of the government. Anything that passes will have a direct impact on the NDP in Parliament, The much touted NDP Parliamentoarty party must fight rational economic policy, anti-trade union legislation, and injustices, raising rent and other costs, and unemployement. Only the Workers Party has the understanding and leadership to implement this demand. Join the Workers Party, build the revolution ary party, defend that the NDP fight for labor.

S.F. TEACHERS PREPARE STRIKE

by Marjorie Parker

S.F. — The teachers union is stepping up the rhetoric of the education system bureaucracy. For 20 years the teachers have been requesting a number of improvements in the system and they are demanding them.

Their proposal now includes 95 demands, predominantly around the school facilities in San Francisco, changed in San Francisco, has resolved to oppose the strike and to cross the picket lines.

power

The Board and Superintendent have political power critical to the teachers and their rights. They are the decision makers. The Board and Superintendent are the official leaders of the school union.

The teachers union voted to give Jenkins a ‘second chancel’ to offer them ‘something’ other than a contract, and gave him until Jan. 13 as the last day to do so. The strike vote was taken Jan. 10.

Teacher’s union officials expect there will be an inj_unction. Chairman Glen Klemm is confident that the President of the union will be arrested. If the strike does go on, the teachers union officials say they will fight the injunction, but this protest is unlikely since the anti-union CTA, which represents two-thirds of the teachers in San Francisco, has resolved to oppose the strike and to cross the picket lines.

artificial

The biggest asset of the capitalists and their hand puppet school board is their control of the school board, and the teachers. As long as these three sections of the working class do not understand their need for soli_darity, their major demands will be evaded and defeated. The Board of Education re_presents the interests of the bosses and it is the teachers, the students or their parents who will suffer.

The Young Workers League in S.F., San Francisco, has been working to get the teachers comple_tely and are working for an understanding among high school youth of the issues at stake when teachers strike for solidarity with the teachers.

The day must come when 10,000 students are out picketing with the teachers and the classes rooms become organizing meetings for the strike.

Until teachers understand what this central people-ec_onomic struggle is and until they take the right side in their ‘right to strike battle only then will a movement for solidarity with the teach_ers.

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S.F. TEACHERS PREPARE STRIKE

ne W.Y. -- It is utterly not everyday that a union lea_dship signs a contract with the bosses and then calls the workers out to strike a month later as a secret deal. Such is the case in the Van Arsdale case.

But that is exactly what Harry Van Arsdale, self-appointed head of the Central Labor Council and also head of the Central Labor Council recently did. So when the contract came up Van Arsdale settled for only a 1% increase in the dri_vers’ share of the meter and then promised the drivers a substantial increase by con_gregating with the bosses for a fare increase.

Van Arsdale got together with the taxi bosses to get the fare increase out of Lindsay, Lindsay, who was Van Arsdale to settle for a fare increase substantially less than what the drivers had been asking for. Van Arsdale then turned around and called for a one day taxi strike to force the owners to accept the Lindsay fare increase. This whole ludicrous situation led workers to effect striking for a fare increase and in the end the owners had been granted the taxi drivers would have ended up with greater take home pay.

The lesson of this is not, of course, that the taxi union should stick with the bosses and bring the strike away from the eyes of the public all the more. Rather it is that the taxi workers will never win the wage and working conditions now held by other transportation workers — like teamsters, railroad workers and transit workers — as long as they con_tinue to go along with a system where they have no guar_antees of better conditions over their working conditions and where a 5% increase in wages would mean a 50% increase in prices.

Tax workers should fight for a decent wage such as truck drivers get with time and half for overtime and more and more vacations and holidays. Collusion with the bosses and with the Mayor of S.F. is enough, and the wage rate of the 60 hour week and a wage-scale — even counting an increase in the tax a 5% increase in wages — will mean a 50% increase in prices.
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OPEN LETTER TO DUBOIS CLUBS, YSA, STUDENT MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE, SDS, YOUTH AGAINST WAR AND FASCISM. JOIN US TO FIGHT BACK! BUILD THE APRIL DEMONSTRATION AT CITY HALL!

The program of the Young Workers League, printed below, sums up what we are fighting for, what we propose to carry into action wherever we are in the United States. The program sums up what is facing young workers and students in the increasing crisis of the capitalist system. That's how it hits all of us--as rotten jobs, lousy schools, the draft and racial oppression. The capitalists and their parties wouldn't want it any other way. The four issues are all tied together for us by the bosses--beating us back. All of this is necessary for the survival. We'd better see them tied together for us and fight back on them all!

demands

This is our program, these are our demands, and we have a way out. We must fight for the program, fight for the labor party that poses

is vietnam our war?

by Pat Connolly

The war in Vietnam is necessary to maintain the capitalist system, which is in crisis. The war is not only means for the banks and businesses which run this country through the Democratic and Republican parties, but it is also the only way the bosses have to beat back the workers throughout the world who are fighting against them.

Vietnam was controlled by the French colonists for a century before the U.S. took over. By his control of the country's natural resources, using its manpower without having to pay even a subsistence wage to the workers, Capitalists have exploited South East Asia (as well as Africa and Latin America) to maintain their system; they need to continue and expand that exploitation in order to prop up capitalism.

The war in Vietnam is a war against a people who will not be exploited. It is a war being fought by the U.S. or by any capitalist country. They are fighting against a government of the workers and against the profit hungry system that has beaten them back for years.

victory

The NLF is no enemy of the American working class--they are fighting the same battle that workers in this country must fight—the battle against a government for and by the bosses, the battle for a workers government. Victory for the Vietnamese, for the National Liberation Front, is a victory for the workers and youth in America.

To most young men, the war means the draft. To the working class youth who face the draft, there aren't any answers in the middle class anti-war, anti-draft movements, it doesn't do him much good that Dr. Spock was arrested for advocating draft resistance. He isn't protected by the 28 Student deferments, because it is the working people who fight the wars. Mail his draft card to the Attorney General's Office or burn it out of the way of the problems he has, it only adds to them. If he manages to avoid the draft one way or the other, it still doesn't solve his problems. He still has to face unemployment and underemployment. He can be in with no chance of advancing because he came out of a highschool designed to prepare kids for the streets rather than as a place to learn anything meaningful. He faces a situation where the bosses, through their government, are fighting like hell to take away the gains the working class has made in the last few years. His only alternative is to fight back around a program that provides answers. Only one thing will ever change things. Fight against the bosses' war with a program that fights them on every front they fight us.

YLF

The Young Workers League is the only youth group that has a program that fights the war. We fight for real job training for working class students. We fight against the system which cannot and will not provide meaningful jobs at decent wages for young people. We fight for power, to destroy the forces of the government and their wars.

students speak out!

by Wendy Walker

NEW YORK--The problems that face students at Seward Park High School are ones that face all students in high schools in this country. We are struggling to feel that we are going to school to benefit ourselves when we know that schools are just a means of getting us off the streets, to keep the competition for jobs to a minimum and just as a means of keeping kids off the streets to make us believe that we are living in a society that can be beneficial to us. This is a lie and we know it.

We, as students and as youth, must fight together for what we want in the only way that will work and that is fighting each other because this is a lie and we know it.

We must fight for jobs, better working conditions and a functioning body whereby we can through reciprocal support between the trade unions and the working class youth fight against the bosses and build a party which will change society so that we can have decent jobs and living conditions.

1) organize ourselves into a functioning body whereby we can through reciprocal support between the trade unions

by Paul Martin

MINNEAPOLIS--I have inside knowledge of the high schools of Minneapolis because I am a student at North High. North is very much the same as the other high schools, complete with falling plaster, inadequate teachers, and a rotten principal.

So what does all this add up to? It adds up to a culture that is more than just a place to learn. We are being taught values that are not ours but the bosses. Our time is spent running errands for the bosses, doing the same thing day after day. We are being trained to be obedient children of the bosses.

We must break this system and build a new one. We must organize and fight for the things we believe in. We must unite and fight for what we want. We must not let the bosses dictate our lives. We must take control of our own lives and build a society that is for all of us.

by Pat Connolly

JOIN WITH US TO FIGHT BACK AGAINST THE VIETNAM WAR!

OUR PROPOSED JOBS PROGRAM

We demand for all young workers and students who will be graduating in the next year:

- Real training in the U.S.A. in union and student controlled and union membership upon leaving school. Anti-poverty youth training for those who can't get work. Real on-the-job training to learn a meaningful trade.

- Equal pay for equal work. No discrimination because of age or sex.

SCHOOL DEMANDS

We demand for all students in high and junior high school:

- An education that prepares us for a job after we get out.

- An education that tells us what's really going on in Negro history.

- Students must have the right to speak out on whatever meetings, form our own organizations, distribute our own papers without official harassment.

- That the regimentation of students be stopped. We must have the right to have school functions, in school, and other rights along with the right to speak out so that we'll make good soldiers and wage slaves when we must have rights!

- A real student voice in the administration of the schools.

THE DRAKE

We demand:

- Abolish the draft.

- No student deferments. Working class youth must not bear the police

- Rights for soldiers. Free discussion, the right to organize, papers, leaflets and petitions.

- Victory for the Vietnamese workers in the NLF is a victory for the working class youth.

RACIAL OPPRESSION

We demand:

- No discrimination in pay. Black workers must earn the same.

- No discrimination in unions. All unions must open their doors.

- No discrimination in education. Students in schools that must receive the same quality of education as those students in white schools.

POWERS

We say that the government of the Democratic Republic do not do a damn thing for us! Take these demands to the bosses, defense committee, labor committee, and all those other front men who work for the bosses. They are fighting for the bosses and we must fight back. They are fighting for the boss and we must win. They are fighting for the bosses' war and we must fight back. They are fighting for the bosses' war and we must fight back.
**A LOOK AT APRIL DEMONSTRATION AT CITY HALL**

We will carry our banners to make it plain what we want. We will build this to reach as many youth as we can. And we will repeat this over and over, bigger and bigger, in New York and elsewhere, exposing the bosses and building the alternative of the labor party.

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**PROGRAM**

**JOBS**

We will demand control for jobs that exist, and a guarantee of a job for the young. Anti-poverty programs to be taken over by the unions and on-the-job training at union wages. All youth have the right to jobs because of age.

**SCHOOLS**

We will demand end to junior high schools--after we get out, School should not be just a waste of time. We need to be really going on. Courses in working class history. Courses out on whatever they wish. We must be able to hold our own--contribute our own leaflets and petitions in and around the schools. 

**DRAFT**

We must not bear the brunt of the war--the right to organize, the right to publish and distribute news.

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**OPPRESSION**

We must earn the same as white workers on the job.

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**POWER**

Democrats and Republicans -- the government of the bosses -- will not meet the demands to them -- it's your right. What will their answer be? More and more oppression. They cannot provide anything -- it's up to you.

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**WHO REALLY WINS THE RACE WAR?**

by Greg Daniels

The policy of the bosses and their government is still no jobs for youth. While all working class youth share this prospect, Negro youth are sure to be the last in line. The only job opening the bosses are sure to have for any of us, and especially young Negro workers, is fighting our class brothers in Vietnam, dying to protect the bosses' profit.

The school situation is bound up with the whole job scene. Our 'educational' system doesn't really teach anything. In fact, just as in Vietnam, class brothers are fighting each other. Class brothers in the schools are also fighting another -- only here it's black against white. In the final analysis however, we see that this fighting will only benefit the bosses. A divided working class is a much weaker weapon against the interests of the bosses, so we see a separation of black and white from the trade unions right on down to the school system.

The ghetto polls show the blacks have decided that they can no longer believe the fairy tales about getting a piece of the American pie -- if they only work for it. The attraction of the 'Black Revolution' is easily understood.

Sporadic, isolated attacks at the system, however, have been shown to be ineffectual. The bosses only answer with cops and government troops. A real change of society for black youth and for the entire working class can be begun only by a unified political struggle of blacks and whites.

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**FARM LABORERS IN MISSISSIPPI MUST STRUGGLE FOR MINIMUM WAGE**
LETTER TO DUBOIS CLUBS, STUDENTS, MOBILIZATION FOR SSS, YOUTH AGAINST FASCISM. JOIN US TO FIGHT BACK! BUILD THE APRIL DEMONSTRATION AT CITY HALL! The program of the Young Workers League presented below sums up what we propose to do to fight back against the threats to our future--in the United States. The program which is facing young workers, students and youth in the increasing crisis of the capitalist system. That's how we-as rotten jobs, lousy schools, the draft and racial oppression. The capitalists and their parties wouldn't want it any other way. The four issues are all tied together for us by the bosses--beating us back on all of them is necessary for their survival. We'd better see them as tied together for us and fight back on them all!

demands

This is our program, these are our demands, and we have a way out. We must fight for the program, fight for the labor party that poses the answer.

We must take the program into the streets, onto the streets, onto the unions, the YWL putting the program into action by calling a demonstration at City Hall in New York in April. This will be a demonstration to raise every demand listed. We're going to ask the chairman-of-the-board of New York bosses, John Lindsay, to give us an answer on why there's no future for us except no jobs, rotten schools, the draft, and racial oppression.

OUR PROGRAM

JOBS

We demand for all young workers and students who will be getting out of school--

---Real training in school under union and student control for jobs that exist, and a guarantee of a job and union membership upon leaving school. Anti-poverty programs to be taken over by the unions and youth to train for jobs that exist. Real on-the-job training at union wages. All youth have the right to learn a meaningful trade.

---Unemployment benefits upon leaving school. The government must pay us until we find a job.

---Equal pay for equal work. No discrimination because of age.

SCHOOLS

We demand for all students in high schools and junior high schools--

---An education that prepares us for a job after we get out. School should not be just a waste of time.

---An education that tells us about what's really going on. Courses in working class history. Courses in Negro history.

---Students have the right to speak out on whatever they wish. We must be able to hold our own meetings, form our own organizations, distribute our own leaflets and petition in and around the schools without official harassment.

---That the regimentation of students be stopped! We must have the right to dress as we wish, smoke in school, and other rights along with the right to speak out. The bosses' schools treat us like robots so that we'll make good soldiers and wage slaves when we get out. No cops in the schools. Students must have rights!

---A real student voice in the administration of the schools.

THE DRAFT

We demand--

---Abolish the draft.

---No student deferments. Working class youth must not bear the brunt of the war.

---Rights for soldiers. Free discussion, the right to organize, the right to publish and distribute newspapers, leaflets and petitions.

---Victory for the Vietnamese workers in the NLF is a victory for the workers and youth here.

RACIAL OPPRESSION

We demand--

---No discrimination in pay. Black workers must earn the same as white workers on the job.

---No discrimination in unions. All unions must open their doors to Negro workers.

---No discrimination in education. Students in schools that are mostly Negro or Puerto Rican or Mexican must receive the same quality of education as those in mostly white schools.

POWER

We say that the government of the Democrats and Republicans-the government of the bosses--will not do a damned thing for us! "Take these demands to them--it's your right. What will their answer be?" Less jobs, worse schools, more draft and more race oppression. They cannot provide anything better so we have got to throw them out! We must ally with the trade unions to build a labor party that can work for us. BUILD THE YOUNG WORKERS LEAGUE! BUILD THE 'YOUNG WORKER' TO REACH ALL WORKING CLASS YOUTH AND STUDENTS IN THE UNITED STATES!
by Karen Finkiel
Seven hundred Young Socialists from all parts of England recently held their 17th Annual General Meeting. Ailen Jennings, the editor of 'Keep Left', the official paper of the Young Socialists, presided. She spoke of the need of the struggle for socialism at this point in the development of the human race. Socialism, as a system, is doomed. Cheered by all, she exclaimed that 'youth must lead the fight to overthrow capitalism—not just in Britain, but all over the world.'

The Young Socialists cannot wage their struggle alone. What they need is 'all over the world,'" she meant that young, especially in the United States, that England, that all the people of the world, must join the battle as the Young Socialists.

That the English youth has never been stronger than Americans because of the failure of the government to provide decent wages, and equal opportunities for all, does not mean that we Americans will wait around until our crisis reaches the level of theirs.

Youth in America must not let the bosses and the government keep up profits at their expense, or fight in the imperialist wars. Working capitalists is in crisis. The bosses can no longer maintain their profits without cutting down on expenses. In England this has been particularly evident. There has been a wage freeze on for over a year, speedways, growing unemploymnt, and more moves to break the power of the trade unions. As one British statesman said, 'there are 3 or 4 jobs in the last year alone. I joined the for Dec. Dec, 12 de monstration and they for ten percent. YS can put up a real fight against unemploy ment.' A girl member of the Tailor and Garment Work er's Union saw the YS as a force that could change the present leaders in the trade union movement.

Even as in England, youth realize that capitalism does not care about educating or training young people. School is just the place where young people are being thrown on the streets until they are old enough to be drafted into the army. The Young Socialists are demanding the power to run their own lives. They are fighting to lower the voting age to eighteen, fighting to improve their educational fa

by Mike Ross
CINNAMON—In most of us know the bosses propag andes: 'Stay in high school and you'll never get anywhere.' If you think I felt for this, you would be partially correct; even worse, I continued for it, attending college as a full time or parttime student for the last five years. While in school, I continued to search for part time or full time work. My first job was a day job and I paid the grand total of $1.00 per hour. My second, in a restaurant for $1.05. Then, I took a summer job for the City park department at $1.25. Finally, a year and a half ago, I got my present job as a grocery clerk in a supermarket.

The pay where I presently am is obviously better than those on my previous jobs. From a starting wage of $1.25 per hour I rose to my present pay of $2.42. But there is a catch. Although the pay seems good, you soon find out that the one thing the boss is not giving you is time. You do not have the time to do all the things you should. I have been working fifteen to twenty hours per week for the last seven months; on rare occasions, I have gotten over thirty hours. The only once, I got thirty-one. Besides the problems of hours, the safety and working conditions are not exactly ideal. Since starting work in 1965, I have: fallen off a ladder, fallen onto a broken floor, hit my head on a jack and chipped up my hands and fingers several times on sawing metal doors.

We do have a union: the Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Employees in the case of these accidents (and others working in the trade). But from the small shop to the large chain employer, the problems facing youth today to understand the YWCL. Would not understand the problems whine the school is in an artificial environment and end up with our problems at school, and no union in our educational system.

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by Cynthia Billings
MINNEAPOLIS—The Twin Cities Young Workers League held its first public meeting on January 17. The meeting in a hall decorated with bold banners, was built through intensive leafletting in 30 degree weather and defiance of student and school harass ment.

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The YWL will lead the struggle against these attacks as do our comrades in England, France, Greek, Madagascar, Hungary, etc. Talk of uniting the working class is cheap—we must find out how! And we youth are the answer, youth fighting in a political basis. The duty of the YWL is to bring the message of the Labor Party to older workers. By fighting for a program that makes sense to young workers, too, we can fight for unity of young and old workers.

After a brief discussion, the meeting moved on to a report on the Young Worker. This paper is our voice and our weapon in struggle. Because we are a fighting organi zation, our paper is different from any others that claim that to be for teen. The Young Worker doesn't just report news or cover large meetings and rallies. It helps us fight for job training, for the vote, for a Vietnam victory and an end to the war, for safer schools and better education.

The report on high school work began with the statement that 'Youth will be the ones to lead the revolution. The high schools are the best places to reach youth and so we center our attention there. And we have problems. Like we're told in class to speak up about our opinions, but when we distributed leaflets at North, the principal sent for me and told me to quit. The schools don't want their authority taken away—they'll only let you speak out if you agree with them. But we'll keep going back and fighting them.'

"We've got our point to the North High students," another comrade from there reported. "They're beginning to see some of what we're saying, though they still don't understand it. But they admire our courage. The principal won't protect us, he even incites the students against us. We should lead this about this aspect too. The government is afraid of what youth can do—we must broaden our effect among youth and prove they're right!"

During the intense discussion after the formal reports, plans for YWCL activities were formulated. Comrades would travel to Chicago on Jan. 27 and 28 to intervene in the Student Mobilization Committee Conference, and work toward a second public meeting on Feb. 14, as well as campaigning intensively at factories and high schools for the Trade Unions for a Labor Party meeting on February 4.