

Down With the Anti-Soviet War Drive! **Trudeau's Cold War** "Peace" Hoax



Reagan's flunky Trudeau talks peace, fuels anti-Soviet war drive. War crazy imperialists' Pershing 2 missiles eight minutes from Moscow.

When the leaders speak of peace the common folk know the war is coming. When the leaders curse war the mobilization order is already written out. -Bertolt Brecht

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Prime minister Pierre Elliot Trudeau's "pilgrimage for peace" is worthy of 1984, matching the Orwellian "war is peace" logic of his senior partner in the White House who calls the MX missile the "peacemaker." New NATO missiles in West Europe six to eight minutes flying time from major Soviet cities, Marines in Lebanon, the rape of the tiny black West Indian island of Grenada, counterrevolutionary terror in Central America: millions around the globe are genuinely scared they won't see New Year's, 1985. To hear talk of "peace" from the terror bombers of Vietnam in the U.S. and from Trudeau, Reagan's Canadian flunky, the world working class should know the war is coming. From (continued on page 10)

Fascist-lovers, bureaucrats, "progressives" united Defeat LCUC Witchhunters!

From Quebec to B.C., unionists across Canada have given their support to the defense of postal workers Paul Schneider and Mike Mares against the outrageous frame-up charges laid by the most notorious union-busting fascist provocateur in the country: William Lau Richardson. These union brothers and sisters understand that the defense of Paul and Mike is the defense of all of labor and the oppressed against fascist terror. William Lau Richardson, KKK "intelligence director," whose bombs have targeted union officials and militants is the personification of the fascists' program for the labor movement: the complete elimination of anything resembling a trade union and turning factories into unlimited hellholes of slave labor.

Fifty members of their own union, the Letter Carriers Union of Canada (LCUC) Local 1, Toronto have endorsed the demand of the Committee to Defend Anti-Fascist Unionists, "Drop the Charges Against Paul Schneider and Mike Mares!" In addition four executive board members of the LCUC Local 12, Vancouver have backed the defense of Paul and Mike. Ominously, however, there is a redbaiting, witchhunting line-up in the LCUC, extending from the National Office to self-styled "progressives" and outright supporters of fascist-infested organizations in Local 1, working in the interest of Richardson.

In a letter to the LCUC Vancouver local national president Robert McGarry advised that the local rule the statement by the Committee to Defend Anti-Fascist Unionists "out of order as it is in oppostion of the objects of our Union." Defense against fascism is the most elementary question of the survival of the labor movement, minorities and every decent person. Coincidentally, it just so happens that Centurion Investigation Ltd., the union-busting outfit which employed Richardson for some "professional" terror against the union movement was owned and operated by two of Robert McGarry's brothers, John and Daniel. Daniel was given a stretch in prison on charges arising from the strong-arm union-bashing dirty work of Centurion and both brothers were handed fines.

According to Robert McGarry's letter: "From the information we have, these members [Paul and Mike] should be treated the same as any two members who belong to other rival organizations outside of the LCUC and who have gone out, taken part in a fight



and have been charged with assault." We don't know what cop agency McGarry gets his information from, but it has never been any secret that Paul and Mike support the revolutionary program of the Trotskyist League of Canada (TLC). It is this program that has been implemented in powerful actions in defense of the rights of labor and all the oppressed like the 5,000-strong Labor/Black Mobilization in Washington, D.C. that stopped the KKK in November 1982 and the 400-mainly blacks and trade unionists-who marched in Oakland, October 29 against the racist anti-labor frame-up of Bay Area phone workers Lauren Mozee and Ray Palmiero. Both the Washington anti-Klan demonstration and the defense of Lauren and Ray were supported by LCUC Local 1.

Much to McGarry's chagrin it is this same program that has relentlessly exposed him as a company cop in the union for the postal bosses. Here is one of the more shameless examples of what Daniel DeLeon called "labor lieutenants of the capitalist class." McGarry has made a career out of tying the union to management through class-collaborationist schemes. McGarry's second in command, national vice president William Findlay, has even made a movie, appropriately starring himself, extolling "The Other Way" of collaboration not "confrontation" with the postal bosses.

Making the LCUC safe for Michael Warren & Co. means redbaiting and witchhunting of militants like Paul and Mike who defended themsolves and others against the fascist provocateur Richardson, who fight for labor/minority mobilizations to stop rising KKK/ Nazi terror, who fight to build picket lines not cross them and who fight for a program of class struggle not class collaboration. It is no coincidence that this letter comes at a time when the postal bosses have launched an all-out union-busting offensive. McGarry's "advice" not to defend union members against the most dangerous labor-hating fascist in Canada serves as a warning to any LCUC militant who wants a fighting union.

Race terror and witchhunting are the domestic face of the Cold War. As the imperialists beat the drums for their insane drive to war against the Soviet Union their Cold War labor lieutenants snap to attention enforcing givebacks, concessions and "labor peace." Inside the LCUC the class collaboration and anticommunism of McGarry & Co. has created the climate where outright supporters of fascist-infested organizations have raised their heads.

In Local 1 supporters of the Canadian Anti-Soviet Action Committee (CASAC), an outfit full of selfdeclared Nazis and other fascists, tried to line the union up behind the war drive and its CASAC shock troops. Using KAL 007-Reagan's cold-blooded Cold War provocation that sent over 200 innocent civilians to their deaths—as a battering ram they raised a motion that the local give \$300 to CASAC. This organization includes such fascist seum as William John Beatty, former head of the Canadian Nazi Party, Gez Matrai and Paul Fromm, former members of the whitesupremacist Western Guard which terrorized minorities, attacking them and fire-bombing their homes! (continued on page 15)

No South Africa-Style "Justice" in Oakland! Phone Workers Mozee/Palmiero Must Not Go To Jail!

On August 10, while on a picket line in the Klan-infested city of San Leandro, California striking phone worker Lauren Mozee was called a "black nigger bitch" and hit in the face by a racist Pacific Telephone scab/manager. Lauren defended herself against this provocative and violent assault, and her companion and fellow unionist Ray Palmiero came to her assistance. Because Lauren and Rav defended themselves and their picket line they face years in prison on multiple felony charges. The racist scab/ manager still has her job. But Lauren and Ray, with three children to support, were fired from their jobs, denied unemployment benefits and forced to wage a staggeringly costly defense campaign to stay out of jail.

Pacific Telephone, the cops and the District Attorney are using this gross frame-up to send a message to the entire population: black people don't have the right to defend themselves against racist attack, workers don't have the right to defend their picket lines. But this

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blatant act of politicized racism in the service of union-busting is being opposed by a vigorous public campaign of protest and exposure.

On October 29 some 400 mainly black militant trade unionists and socialists defiantly expressed their opposition to the vicious frame-up of Lauren and Ray, marching from the Oakland City Hall to the Alameda County Courthouse in a drizzling rain. Chanting: "Hey, D.A.! Workers say: Hands off Lauren and Ray!" protesters marched in union jackets and insignia, including organized contingents from the Communications Workers of America Locals 9410 and 9415, American Federation of Teachers Local 771 and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1011.

Support for the victimized internacial couple has snowballed. Unionists across the country have endorsed the case, as have civil liberties activists, black student groups and a broad spectrum of socialist organizations. And Muhammad Ali, former world heavyweight boxing champion, renowned for his statement "No Viet Cong ever called me Nigger" when he was once stripped of his title in 1967 for refusing the draft, has endorsed the defense of Lauren and



Oakland, October 29 - From left: rally chairman Don Andrews, Ray Palmiero and Lauren Mozee lead chants: "Hey, D.A.! Workers say: Hands off Lauren and Ray!"

Ray. In a gratifying show of labor solidarity 400 striking Greyhound drivers in a Los Angeles meeting on December 6 dug deep and donated over \$450 to the case. In Canada unionists, including the Letter Carriers Union of Canada Local 1, and union officials in Ontario and Quebec have endorsed the case.

Speaking at the October 29 demonstration Lauren Mozee laid out what was behind the frame-up: "As everyone knows, I'm the victim of a racist anti-labor frame-up. Why? One, I'm a black woman. Two, Ray and I are an interracial couple. Three, I'm a militant (continued on page 13)

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Drop the Charges Against Paul Schneider and Mike Mares!

We reprint below the statement of the Committee to Defend Anti-Fascist Unionists initiated by the Trotskyist League of Canada in defense of postal workers Paul Schneider and Mike Mares.

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Brothers and Sisters:

William Lau Richardson, self-declared "intelligence director" of the lynch-mob, race-terrorist Ku Klux Klan, is targeting Paul Schneider and Mike Mares,

two brothers from the Letter Carriers Union of Canada Local 1, Toronto. On October 13, Paul and Mike were arrested on charges of "assault causing bodily harm" laid by Richardson and another fascist creep, the Nazi George Graham. This is an outrage! These unionists face a possible ten years' imprisonment!

William Lau Richardson: CIA agent, RCMP informant, unionbusting agent provocateur, convicted bombplanter, Klansman. An avowed enemy of the labor movement, minority and left organizations, Richardson is a dangerous terrorist. The following is only a sampling of his long, welldocumented and deadly history of crimes

the fringes of the new Cold War. It is no accident that William John Beatty, ex-fuhrer of the Canadian Nazi Party, together with formor members of the white-supremacist Western Guard like Geza Matrai and Paul Fromm resurface today as the Canadian Anti-Soviet Action Committee. The funcists are the domestic shock troops of the drive to ignite the entire earth in thermonuclear war against the Soviet Union. CASAC, the Nazis, Richardson, the Klan are targeting us and ours for union-busting, race-terror and genocide.

> Klansman Richarson provoked, menaced and terrorized the Toronto "Day of Action for Choice on Abortion" rully. At this rally for women's rights, endorsed by the Ontario Federation of Labour and the Canadian Labour Congress, were union brothers and sisters including Paul, Mike and other LCUC militants, pregnant women, children, loftists and other supporters of demoeratic rights. Richurdson was tracked * by rally marshals who wore alerted to his dangerous presence by the Trotskyist Longue of Canada, a socialist organization that has distributed photos and documentation exposing Rich-

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sinister criminal and



Postal union militants Mike Mares (left) and Paul Schneider man USWA picket line, May 1983. "Defense of Paul and Mike is the defense of us all."

against the left and workers movement:

- * 1968-69, worked for the murderous American CIA
 * 1974, made bombs planted in the car of the UAW bargaining agent at McDonnell-Douglas and in the car of an Arab worker and union organizer at Ralph Milrod Metal Products in Mississauga
- * 1976, provoked a fight with two Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union organizers at Dylex Ltd. to set them up for firing and smash a union organizing drive
- * 1981, posing as an opponent of the KKK, Richardson tried to infiltrate the Riverdale Action Committee Against Racism, making off with a partial list of members and supporters
- * 1983, Richardson and Graham consorted with the Canadian Anti-Soviet Action Committee, an outfit full of self-declared Nazis and other fascists, in provoking the April 23 "Against Cruise Testing" Toronto demonstration

The KKK and Nazis have found fertile ground on

ardson and Graham to unions, minority and left organizations. Richardson physically threatened one of the marshals who was in charge of the protection of all in attendance. The police ordered Richardson to leave the rally site at Nathan Phillips Square.

Now this terrorist is trying to have Paul and Mike thrown in jail for defending the domonstration and themselves! These brothers are being singled out because they are union militants, leftists and fighters against Klan terror. Supporters of the Trotskyist League of Canada, Paul and Mike helped build support in the Canadian labor movement for the mass labor/minority mobilizations initiated by the Spartacist League/U.S. that have stopped the Klan and Nazis. Their union, LCUC Local 1, gave its financial support to the 5,000-strong Labor/Black Mobilization in Washington, D.C. last November 27 that stopped the Klan from marching hooded and robed in the U.S. capital.

The arrest of Paul and Mike, who were dragged from their workplace by plainclothes cops, fingerprinted, photographed and thrown behind bars for) the day, is an open attempt to silence and intimidate all of us who want to stop fascist terror. But we had better not be silent! If these charges stick it will give a green light to the racist, labor-hating fascists to carry out their program of destroying the labor movement, terrorizing and murdering unionists, blacks, Jews, East Indians, gays, socialists and all decent people. Paul and Mike must not go to jail!

Remember the words of Martin Niemoller, a German Lutheran churchman and WWI U-boat commander, sent to a concentration camp by Hitler:

"First they came for the communists, but since I 'was not a communist I did not protest. Then they came for the Jews, but since I was not a Jew I did not protest. Then they came for the Catholics, but since I was not a Catholic I did not protest. When they came for me, there was no one left to protest."

The defense of Paul and Mike is the defense of us all.

Your support, endorsement and contributions are vital to this defense. We are depending on you to raise the thousands of dollars needed to wage this fight against Richardson and his ilk. Join with us to demand: DROP THE CHARGES AGAINST PAUL SCHNEIDER AND MIKE MARES!

What You Can Do

- 1) Endorse the demand of the Committee to Defend Anti-Fascist Unionists: Drop the Charges Against Paul Schneider and Mike Mares!
- 2) Make a much-needed financial contribution to the Committee.

Contact/send contributions to: Committee to Defend Anti-Fascist Unionists, P.O. Box 463, Station E, Toronto, Ontario, M6H 4E3. For more information, call: (416) 977-0647.

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Marxism and Bloodthirstiness

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U.S. imperialism's trip wires for World War III extend from one end of the globe to the other. Reagan is now engaged in three wars-in Lebanon, El Salvador and Nicaragua-and in the Caribbean the U.S. troops are finishing off the rape of Grenada. Ameri-



October 23 bombing of Marine headquarters, in Beirut killed 241 U.S. servicemen. Spartacist slogan "Marines Out of Lebanon, Now, Alive!" intersected widespread outrage against Reagan's criminal and senseless policy.

can Pershing 2 nuclear missiles have been deployed in Europe, aimed directly at Moscow—at six to eight minutes striking distance. Decaying capitalism is readying to plunge humanity once again into global war, and lurching toward a nuclear holocaust which threatens the extinction of life on this planet.

Revulsion and opposition to the mass slaughter which is endemic to the imperialists' class rule is a central part of the Marxist vision of and struggle for a classless, stateless society. The hideous threat of World War III and the bellicose policies of Washington today engender justified fears and inchoate pacifistic sentiments among the world's masses, both in the Soviet bloc and the capitalist countries, sentiments which can be turned against the imperialist warmakers. The carnage of World War I gave birth to the Russian workers revolution of 1917-because the Bolshevik Party won the workers, peasants and soldiers to revolutionary opposition to their "own" government, and ended Russia's participation in the inter-imperialist slaughter by replacing the exploiters' state with a government of the working people.

When over 240 U.S. Marines were blown to pieces at the Beirut airport compound in October, the largest number of American troops killed in a single day since the height of the Tet offensive in Vietnam, the American public reacted with outrage. There were elements of pacifism, isolationism and patriotism, and there was a broad grasp that the Lebanon intervention was senseless. The outrage was mainly directed at the imperialist commander in chief (who immediately launched the racist bully-boy invasion of tiny Grenada for an easy "victory" to distract attention from the debacle in Beirut). To intersect this conjunctural anti-government sentiment evocatively, the Spartacist League raised the slogans "Marines Out of Lebanon, Now, Alive!" and "U.S. Out of Grenada, Dead or Alive!" There were those among our readership who-objecting particularly to the word "alive" -denounced our Lebanon slogan as a "social-patriotic" capitulation to American chauvinism, counterposing the supposedly radical sentiment: "the only good one is a dead one." But far from radical, this vicarious bloodthirstiness (reminiscent of some of the more dim and despicable elements of the old New Left-draftdodgers turned accountants) challenges a fundamental attitude of Marxism as well as undercutting the central Leninist proletarian strategy to fight against imperialist war. Our critics have nonetheless served a purpose in prompting us to restate some basic Marxist truths, beginning with the fact that Marxists are not bloodthirsty.

We are for the victory of just causes. Necessarily and above all, the centrality of just causes is the shattering of the exploiting and oppressing classes and the victory of socialism. We are socialists not least because we are passionately opposed to war, the gathering together of large numbers of young workingmen to be slaughtered in the interests of the rulers. In this savagely class-divided world, dominated by the mass murderers of My Lai, the struggle for the victory of just causes will have a big physical component. We must stand therefore for the maximum assembling of effective force on the just side, hopefully to demoralize and deter the forces of reaction so that the actual casualties are minimized.

But in Lebanon at the moment, there is little evidence of justice on any side. At bottom, the present fighting there is a continuation of the centuries-old communal/sectarian conflicts between Muslims and Christians, Sunnis and Shi'ites, Druze and others. There is no known force fighting against the U.S. imperialists—they are all jockeying for position with the imperialists. Those whose cause is clearest—the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO)—in fact re-



We are for the victory of just causes. Liberation of Salgon (now Ho Chi Minh City) by the North Vietnamese was a historic victory for world revolution.

quested the intervention of the imperialist troops (a suicidal demand supported by virtually the entire reformist left in this country, and sharply opposed of course by us revolutionists). Now the U.S. is there, having disarmed the PLO and prepared the way for the Israell/Phalange massacres at Sabra and Shatila. Arafat's organization has split into bloody rivalry, dispersed and evacuated (under the UN flag and Israeli shells). The Israelis precipitously withdrew from from Beirut, leaving the Americans to take the casualties. The warring Lebanese communal militias can't tell the difference between the Americans and the Russians and couldn't care less. Where is the just, antiimperialist side in Lebanon today?

What about the allies of Arafat's organization? In Tripoli where he was besieged by Syrian-backed PLO dissidents, Arafat allied with the Islamic Unity Movement of Sheikh Shaaban, which last October massacred some 50 members of the Lebanese Communist Party. What about the Shi'ites, who are at the bottom of the social scale in Lebanon, totally deprived of political power although they are the largest group in the country? Shortly before the Israeli invasion of June 1982, the Shi'ite Amal carried out murderous attacks against the PLO in Beirut and southern Lebanon. As for the Syrians, who vaunt their rejection of any negotiations with the Zionists, they made a separate ceasefire with the Israelis early in the 1982 invasion, leaving the Palestinians to fight alone.

To be sure, our Lebanon slogan was highly conjunctural; the situation in the Near East is changing rapidly. The U.S. is already drifting in the direction of a direct conflict with Syria, thanks in good part to the Reaganites' irrational notions of "Soviet surrogateship." Should the U.S. go to war against Syria, a complete reevaluation would be indicated, not least

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because such a war could become a de facto U.S./ USSR conflict in which Marxists would defend the Soviet side.

Lebanon is a quagmire for U.S. imperialism—and this is a good thing. But we do not gloat over those 240 aluminum caskets, those dead young men many of whom were considered expendable in the first place because they were black. We can only despise those who call for the death of American soldiers for the crimes of their rulers. For Marxists there is all the difference between the men in the field and those who sent them there to die. We are not *per se* interested in the annihilation of everyone who is executing Washington's global bloodthirsty policies. Lebanon has aroused strong opposition in the U.S. population; sending in the Marines was a stupid act which could backfire on the U.S. ruling class.

A very different situation obtains in Grenada, Reagan's diversion from the Lebanon disaster. We viewed the U.S. invasion of Grenada in terms comparable to the 1982 Israeli invasion of Lebanon; racialist atrocities against another nationality. We had a side in 1982: the defense of the Palestinians against the attempt to wipe them out. And we had a side in Grenada: with the 700 Cuban construction workers who resisted the Yankee invaders. It took 6,000 U.S. troops to "take" Grenada in the face of the Cubans' heroic selfdefense, and most of the Cubans were over 40 years old! The same issue of Workers Vanguard which our critics believe marks our decisive capitulation to "social-patriotism" hailed the Cuban fighters whounlike anyone in Lebanon today-fought the main enemy, U.S. imperialism. In Grenada, we had a side, and our call was "U.S. Out, Dead or Alive!"

And in Vietnam! The side of justice there was unambiguously that of the National Liberation Front (NLF)/ North Vietnamese forces against U.S. imperialism. At stake were the national rights of the Vietnamese

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U.S. soldiers lording it over black Grenadians in St. George's. During Reagan's rape of Grenada, we said, "U.S. Out, Dead or Alive!"

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people and the social revolution whose victory was the only way to definitively drive out colonialism. Our call for "Victory to the Vietnamese Revolution!" was not bloodymindedness but a recognition of what was necessary to bring peace to Vietnam after three decades of imperialist war. In Lebanon, it is precisely the question of social revolution, or even national liberation, that is missing.

The flip side of the dimwitted New Left bloodlust exemplified by the SDS Weathermen was the Socialist Workers Party's Vietnam slogan, "Bring Our Boys Home Now!" Tailored to appeal to liberal defeatism within sections of the bourgeoisie, the slogan was a class betrayal precisely because the international proletariat had a side in Vietnam-"our" boys were the NLF/North Vietnamese. There were two ways the Americans could come home: withdrawal or in body bags. A common thread runs through the SWP's social-democratic slogan and the New Leftist calls for exterminating the Yankee pigs-both despair of mobilizing the proletariat to wage class struggle against imperialist war, and both renounce appealing to the ranks of the army along class lines.

Imperialism's hemorrhaging in Vietnam and the consequences of its defeat-the profound demoralization of the U.S. armed forces, the convulsions throughout American society, the fear of "another Vietnam" which has stayed the hand of imperialism-were good things from the standpoint of the world's toiling masses. The "Vietnam syndrome" here at home provided a breathing space for national liberation struggles such as those in the former Portuguese colonies of southern Africa, tending to prevent a direct American intervention into Angola in 1975-76. It has inhibited Reagan thus far from trying a wholesale assault with U.S. troops against the Nicaraguan regime and the Salvadoran leftist insurgents. But we do not gloat over the deaths of rank-and-file U.S. soldiers. Among the GIs and Marines who were sent to Vietnam were to be found, as the losing war dragged on, some of the angriest, most bitter and most important opponents of the government's war. Unlike the New Left radicals who went, without blinking an eye, from counseling draftees and giving GIs flowers to glorifying their being blown to bits, we sought to do Marxist propaganda work among the American troops. We said that antiwar youth if drafted should seek to educate their class brothers in the army about the imperialist character of the war and their own interest in opposing it.

The global conflict between the antiquated imperialist order and the emancipation of the proletariat does not reduce itself to a division between "good" and "bad" peoples. In battles between just and unjust causes, Marxists have a side but nevertheless do not propose as our program the extermination of all those sent to fight for the wrong side (a program which, if carried out, would long ago have done away with the proletariat of most of the Western capitalist nations). In wars where no side represents an advance for elementary justice, we stand for revolutionary defeatism on both sides. Consider, in addition to Lebanon, the Iran-Iraq war. Is it "social-patriotic" to advise the Iranian and Iraqi troops not to slaughter each other for their respective regimes, to turn the guns around and go home? The squalid Falklands/ Malvinas war was another such case. Neither the Argentine nor the British working masses had anything to gain from the victory of their "own" murderous

rulers in the Falklands; they only stood to lose their lives. (In fact, Argentina's defeat led straight to the downfall of the military regime; Britain's victory led to the re-election of Margaret Thatcher.) Those who want bloodthirstiness must look to Thatcher, who ordered the gratuitous sinking of the Argentine cruiser *Belgrano*, taking the lives of more than 320 young men in the icy waters of the South Atlantic. From Verdun to Hiroshima, the imperialists wage

their barbaric, cyclical wars for profit, turning entire generations into cannon fodder. Bukharin wrote about the hideous carnage of the first World War:

"The leading characteristic of the war was that it was murderous to an unparalleled degree. The levying of troops advanced with giant strides. The The proletariat was positively decimated on the battlefields. The reports show that down to March, 1917, the number of dead, wounded, and missing totalled 25 millions; by 1 January, 1918, the number of the killed had been approximately 8 millions. If we assume the average weight of a soldier to [be] 150 lb., this means that between 1 August 1914, and 1 January 1918, the capitalists had brought to market twelve hundred million pounds of putrid human flesh."

-The ABC of Communism

Or as Rosa Luxemburg put it in her Junius Pamphlet (1916):

"Dividends are rising-proletarians falling; and with each one there sinks a fighter of the future, a soldier of the revolution, a savior of humanity from the yoke of capitalism, into the grave."

An end to this slaughter is the goal of Marxist revolutionists. And we hope to put an end to the bourgeoisie's rule with as little bloodshed as possible. We wish we could be pacifists, but we can't—the old social order does not give way to the new in a peaceful and orderly fashion. Isaac Deutscher noted that, "In embracing the vision of a nonviolent society, Marxism...has gone further and deeper than any pacifist preachers of nonviolence have ever done. Why? Because Marxism laid bare the roots of violence in our society, which the others have not done" ("Marxism and Nonviolence," 1966).

Certainly, the Russian Revolution was a nearly bloodless event, carried out, Deutscher writes, "in such a way that, according to all the hostile evewitnesses (such as the Western ambassadors who were then in Petrograd), the total number of victims on all sides was ten." It was when the tsarist generals backed by 13 imperialist armies began the Civil War that the killing really began. In sheer arms, the Bolsheviks were infinitely inferior to the imperialist powers who intervened to crush the revolution along with the contras of the day, the White Army. The Bolsheviks emerged victorious; Deutscher wrote: "They agitated, they appealed to the consciousness of the soldiers, of the workers in uniform in those interventionist armies. The French navy, sent to suppress the revolution, rose in mutiny in Odessa and refused to fight against the Bolsheviks...."

While the bourgeoisie can only maintain its rule over the laboring majority through the massive use of intimidation, force and violence, for Marxists violence is a necessary *evil*—one imposed upon the defense of the struggle for socialism by the bloodymindedness of the exploiting class in power. After the Cuban people defeated the CIA's Bay of Pigs invaders, the Castro regime traded the captured gusanos for needed medical supplies. In El Salvador,



the leftist insurgents have followed a policy of turning captured enemy soldiers over to the Red Cross unharmed—an effective incentive to mass desertion from the junta's army. Contrast this with the fascistic death squads who operate against the populace under the principle of "the only good one is a dead one." The principal weapon in the proletariat's arsenal is not force per se, but the ability to undermine the capitalist regiments by appealing to common class interests. Even in defense of just causes, Marxists are guided by a rational calculus and not by bloodlust.

There are situations in which insufficient force used initially leads to greater bloodshed ultimately. Had the Nicaraguan Sandinistas beheaded the counterrevolutionary pro-Somocista organizations, e.g., by trials of Somoza's torturers by revolutionary tribunals, the Nicaraguan masses today would not be forced to fight and die against the contra invaders. We raise the slogan "Kill the Invaders!" not because we want to see a lot of dead bodies lying around, but because if overy little band the CIA sends over is wiped out, and the counterrevolutionary capitalist "fifth column" in Nicaragua is expropriated as a class and its power broken, bloodshed will be minimized, while conciliation strengthens the hand of the U.S.-backed contras who aim to drown in blood the possibility of socialist revolutionary development in Nicaragua.

Or consider the U.S.' Korean Air Lines Flight 007 Cold War provocation against the Soviet Union last summer, a grotesque example of the ruling class's willingness to cynically squander human life. The Soviet military took the only course of defensive action possible, under the circumstances—i.e., given the refusal of the jet to communicate, the Russians were unable to identify it while at the same time a U.S. spy plane was clearly in contact with it. But we do not "hail" the shooting down of 200-plus innocent civilians; we solidarize with the TASS statement of 2 September 1983:

"Tass is authorized to state that in the leading circles of the Soviet Union regret is expressed over the loss of human life and at the same time a resolute condemnation of those who consciously or as a result of criminal disregard have allowed the death of people and are now trying to use this occurrence for unseemly political aims."

Marxists do not support nor advocate the killing of innocent civilians—be it on board KAL 007, an Israeli bus in Jerusalem, a pub in Northern Ireland. With KAL, the fact is that the Soviets did not knowingly down a civilian passenger jet. Had they done so, we said, it would have been worse than a barbaric atrocity, it would have been an idiocy worthy of the Israelis. This seemingly uncontentious position against wanton bloodshed provoked charges of "softness" from critics whose vicarious bloodthirstiness tends to be directly proportional to the distance from their own appetites. From a safe distance, the' (continued on page 13)

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promoting the deployment of the first-strike Pershing 2 missiles in Britain and West Germany, to leading the war charge behind KAL 007 by being the first to ban Aeroflot flights, to offering Canadian troops to police Grenada, Trudeau has demonstrated that he is quite willing to see the world ignited in anti-Soviet thermonuclear World War III.

Since October 1917, when the Russian working class took state power under the leadership of the Bolshevik Party, the aim of world imperialism has been to reconquer that one-sixth of the world ripped from capitalist exploitation and plunder. This is the motor force behind the current red-hot Cold War drive. And, contrary to the liberals, reformists and pacifists who peddle the dangerous illusion of Canadian imperialists as "peacekeepers," this war drive is not simply the whim of one man, Ronald Reagan. The escalating global anti-Soviet provocations are the destructive frenzy of a dying capitalist world order.

Trudeau kicked off his "peace initiative" by stressing the commitment of Canadian imperialism to the NATO/NORAD war alliances: "Our dedication to the Western Alliance, and to our partnership with the United States in the defense of this continent, is part of the bedrock of our foreign policy" (*Globe and Mail*, 28 October 1983). Nonetheless U.S. undersecretary of state for political affairs Lawrence Eagleburger wasn't buying it. While the millionaire Canadian prime minister jetted around the globe talking "peace" to imperialist warmongers from Britain's Iron Lady Margaret Thatcher to the nuclear cowboy in the White House, Eagleburger called Trudeau's world tour pot-induced behavior by an erratic leftist (*Globe and Mail*, 22 December 1983).

Contrary to Eagleburger and the Dr. Strangeloves in the Pentagon who are capable of finding a "red" under any bed, Trudeau is hardly some soft-on-Russia Leftover from the "ban the bomb" days. The Washington columnist for the fanatically anti-Communist New York Daily News (21 December 1983) certainly captured the spirit of Trudeau's mission:

"The most admirable aspect of Trudeau's venture is that he has resisted the trap of lofty neutrality. He is not posing as a middleman or honest broker between us and Moscow. He's on our side, and says so. He wants no unilateral U.S. freeze; he wants no delay in the deployment of U.S. missiles in Europe."

Economically and militarily incapable of doing much on their own in defense of the "free world," the jackal imperialists who rule this rich white man's country serve a useful ideological role in giving a "nice guy" veneer to the imperialists' war aims. Ironically, no one better captured the war-making behind Trudeau's talk of "peace" and "disarmament" than the prime minister himself in a speech promoting the testing of cruise missiles in Canada, "... while we talk disarmament we must also show the Soviet Union we can meet them gun for gun" (Globe and Mail, 20 March 1982).

"Peace" of the Graveyards

Trudeau's "peace initiative" has revived talk in the bourgeois press of the "Pearson era." Now Trudeau has renamed the Toronto International Airport after Lester Pearson—the Liberal Canadian prime minister who won the Nobel "Peace" Prize for sending Canadian troops to the Middle East in 1956 to oversee the orderly and face-saving retreat of the British and French imperialists who had invaded Egypt in retaliation against Nasser's nationalization of the Suez Canal. Pearson won Canada its spurs as the imperialist "peacekeepers." Ever since, Canadian troops have been in the Middle East—in the Sinai and Golan Heights—acting as one-way doormen for Zionist genocide under the figleaf of the United Nations.

Now the Canadian government is offering to send troops to act as border-monitoring teams "checking the flow of arms" in Central America. When the Reagan gang took office they declared Central America the front line of Cold War II against Soviet "expansionism," despite the fact the Soviet Union and Cuba have criminally given little if any military aid to the leftist guerrillas in El Salvador or the Sandinistas in Nicaragua who so desperately need it. The Canadian government, with its own imperialist interests to defend in Central America and the Caribbean, marched in lockstep joining NATO naval maneuvers targeting Cuba and Nicaragua.

The leftist guerrillas in El Salvador are winning the civil war. Entire army companies have repeatedly deserted en masse and the insurgents have effectively cut the country in half by blowing up the last major bridge over the Lempa. Meanwhile Nicaragua has become a roach motel for the CIA's contra terrorists: they check in but they don't check out! The U.S. is getting creamed in Central America. Rushing to their aid are their Canadian junior partners, offering troops to enforce the "peace" of the graveyards like they did in 1932 when Canadian warships assisted in la matanza: the massacre of 30,000 Salvadoran workers and peasants.

Today the Canadian imperialists look to participate in crushing the Salvadoran insurgents and strangling Sandinista Nicaragua in the name of backing the Contadora group's call for a "negotiated settlement" of conciliation with U.S. imperialism. The "Contadora initiative" demands cutting off arms to the leftist rebels in El Salvador—and the Trudeau government wants to police it. The answer to the U.S. imperialists, their contras and Canadian lackeys—workers revolution throughout Central America and extending north to Mexico with its powerful industrial proletariat!

Defend Vietnamese Revolution!

London's Daily Telegraph speculated that Trudeau wants "to go back to the political climate of the detente period when summitry was compulsory and the excuses for leaving boring Canada on foreign trips were myriad" (quoted in Globe and Mail, 1 November 1983). For his part Trudeau commented, "...I am not ready to call detente a failure. There were clear benefits of stability and co-operation" (Globe and Mail, 28 October 1983). All "detente" ever meant to the world capitalists was a tactical maneuver born of the losing war in Vietnam, to give the U.S. war machine time to rearm and to reestablish domestic support for Cold War policies. Bought with the blood of the Vietnamese, the high point of detente coincided with the saturation bombing of Hanoi and Cambodia.

During the bloody imperialist war against Vietnam the Canadian government pretended to keep its hands clean, opening the borders to draft dodgers and even, occasionally, decrying some of the grislier aspects of the U.S. massacre of Indochinese workers and peasants. All the while the Canadian jackal imperialists reaped immense profits from this dirty war but without the "overhead" of domestic discontent directed against them.

Ever since the NLF marched into Saigon the Trudeau government has backed U.S. imperialism's un-

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relenting drive to punish the victorious Vietnamene and undo its own humiliating defeat: from supplying military goods to China for its repeated military attacks against Vietnam to backing the genoeldal Pol Pot forces in Cambodia. As part of its all-out war drive against the Soviet Union the Reagan government's arming of China in 1981 deepened the U.N./ China alliance into an openly declared anti-Soviet axis. Not surprisingly then, as part of his Cold War "peace initiative" Trudeau is waving the deadly provocative China card, inviting Chinese promior Zhao Ziyang to address Parliament.

No Detente Illusions! For Workers Revolution!

The imperialists target the Soviet Union for war because it embodies the gains of the first workers revolution overthrowing capitalism, and because it in the industrial-military powerhouse capable of thwarting imperialist appetites from Southeast Asia to the Caribbean. The only thing preventing U.S. imperialism from carrying out its mad first-strike plans is fear of the Soviet second strike. The peoples of the world should be very thankful for those SS18s and SS20s.

At the same time, the Kremlin Stalinists disarm the world working class by preaching the illusion of "detente" and "peaceful coexistence" with imperialist militarism. And for the Communist Party (CP) of Canada Trudeau's "peace initiative" is a Stalinist wet dream. For years the CP has marched in the "refuse the cruise" demonstrations under the maple leaf and with banners hailing the Canadian imperialists as the "brave neutral mediator." Yet these "peace" protests, the daisy chains at Greenham Common near London and the anti-nuke rallies at U.S. Army bases in West Germany did not and will not stop or delay a single Pershing or cruise missile. Here is exposed the bankruptcy of Stalinism as well as the impotence of pacifism.

The CP would sell their grandmothers in their never-ending quest for "unity" with the "peaceloving" bourgeoisie. Today "... support for Trudeau's initiative for peace and its potential for assisting in humanity's survival should not be made conditional upon the prior winning of the peace movement's demands" (Canadian Tribune, 5 December 1983). The Stalinists must sacrifice every vestige of the class principle of fighting for the political independence of the working class. A recent meeting of the CP Central Committee declared, "The Peace Petition Caravan Committee, which includes most peace movements and the organized labor movement...could also have a pronounced effect on the coming federal elections...." The Canadian Tribune (19 December 1983) continues: "In this connection, [CP leader William] Kashtan contrasted, in his summary, the public pronouncements of Trudeau and Mulroney."

The instinct to vote for the "progressive bourgeoisie" is overwhelming for the North American Stalinists. By their own, somewhat embarrassed, admission, a large chunk of the U.S. CP's Central Committee voted for McGovern in 1972 instead of their own party's candidate. And voting Liberal in the next election wouldn't be the first time for the Canadian CP.

During World War II the Stalinists threw their electoral support behind Liberal prime minister William Lyon MacKenzie King, a vicious racist and anti-Semite who wrote in his diary, "We must seek to keep Canada free from unrest in too-great an intermixture of foreign strains of blood" (quoted in Globe and Mail, 11 September 1982). In the name of "unity" with the "anti-fascist" imperialists the CP did its best to "keep Canada free from unrest": demanding no-strike pledges, abandoning Japanese members to concentration comps. denouncing the Québécois for opposing conscription. Screaming "all out for the war effort" the CP halled the A-bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki!

Today it's "all out for the peace effort." But the politics are the same, building a popular-front alliance with the class enemy. But the CP must confront the problem that the latest incarnation of the popular front is shot through with anti-Sovietism. This was



CP's Daily Worker, August 1945, hailed Truman's A-bombing of Hiroshima.

driven home with a vengeance at the CP-dominated 1983 Toronto May Day march when a bunch of fakelefts turned up with a banner calling for "Solidarity with Solidarnosć" (see, "Cold War II Rains on CP Parade," SC No. 58, June 1983).

"Solidarity with Solidarnosć" is the rallying cry of the imperialists' anti-Soviet war drive from the anti-Communist pope to the Cold War social democrats to the fascists. Virtually the entire left expressed its anti-Soviet furor embracing the only "union" Ronald Reagan ever loved. But the Polish anti-Communists have bitten hard on the hand that feeds them.

Zygmunt Przetakiewicz, who first came to public attention in September 1982 as the man who headed Solidarność's first foreign office (appropriately located in the New York headquarters of rabid Cold Warrior Albert Shanker's United Federation of Teachers) and then was kept by the Canadian Labour Congress, now writes for the labor-hating Toronto Sun. Under headlines like "'Peaceniks' Serve Soviets," Przetakiewicz is among the most vocal and extreme advocates of Reagan's anti-Soviet war drive. In a column printed 23 December 1983 this rabid Pilsudskiite frothed:

"Are we in the West getting scared?... Crippled with fear, Western societies, including the United States and Canada, are willing to surrender a great deal in order to survive—at least biologically. Better Red than dead. Is this to be our policy? "Or should we talk firmly to the Soviets—the only language they understand, and demand from our politicians solutions, not just rhetoric, to tame the communist beast?"

There can be no such thing as "detente" and "peaceful coexistence" with the war-crazy imperialists who have targeted the USSR for nuclear annihilation. As Lenin wrote in 1918: "... the existence of the

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McQuirter had pleaded guilty to taking part in an aborted mercenary invasion of the Caribbean island of Dominica and was given the maximum twoyear sentence. Then McQuirter's friend slipped out of the courtroom, moving with the stealth one would expect from the chief of an intelligence agency—or a police informer.

"William Lau Richardson is both." -Goodwin's, Spring 1983

Is Richardson Canada's Gary Rowe-the FBI informer who planned, organized and *led* most of the major "Ban the Klan." The capitalist state is not "neutral" and the purpose of its secret police "informers" is not to "prevent violence." It is to orchestrate violence—against the left, against the working class, against minorities, against anyone who challenges the repressive state apparatus.

The insane drive to war against the Soviet Union-Reagan's missiles in Europe *eight minutes* flight time to Moscow, global anti-Soviet provocations from KAL 007 to the Near East to Central America-finds its domestic face in the retooling of the state's deadly machinery for a domestic Red Hunt. That's the meaning of Reagan's new FBI "guidelines" branding political opponents of the government as "terrorists" and



Washington, D.C., 27 November 1982. SL-initiated 5,000-strong Labor/Black Mobilization stopped the Klan.

KKK terrorist action in Alabama in the 1960s? We don't know for sure, but William Lau Richardson certainly fits the bill.

Today working for KKK "intelligence" Richardson has served as an agent for the most powerful rightwing terrorist organization in the world-the CIA-as well as U.S. Army Intelligence and the RCMP. An explosives expert, he was hired by the notorious union-busting outfit Centurion Investigation Ltd., making bombs that were planted in the cars of union officials and militants. His dirty work for Centurion was not confined to terror against the Canadian labor movement. It included turning over the names of Chilean exiles to the murderous multinational ITT. Testifying for the prosecution in the 1980 trial of his Centurion bosses, Richardson was questioned over his role in trying to recruit people to fly fighter planes to Somoza's Nicaragua!

Richardson has spied on, infiltrated and provoked labor and left organizations from the UAW to the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union to the Communist Party in which he reportedly had "access to the top echelon" (*Globe and Mail*, 1 July 1981). In the early 1970s when Richardson himself testified to having a "professional relationship" with the RCMP, he infiltrated the Toronto Anti-Draft Program. Two members of that group who got copies of a U.S. government file on them in 1979 under the Freedom of Information Act say all information in the file dated from the time of Richardson's infiltration. While the name of the source had been deleted a note indicated that the source was "still active" in the Toronto area.

William Lau Richardson is a living indictment of the liberals' and reformists' treacherous strategy of appealing to the government, its cops and courts to "criminals" as a set-up for legal murder. That's the meaning of the Trudeau government's legislation for a new spy agency which gives the green light for wholesale government intimidation, harassment, slander, disruption and violence against the left and labor movement. Reagan and Trudeau will need more Gary Rowes and William Lau Richardsons to do the state's dirty work.

The poisonous climate of Cold War II feeds into the genuinely criminal activities of the right wing and the (continued on page 15)



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Phone Workers...

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-I said militant-trade unionist. A former member of the Black Panther Party for many years. And I'm a firm believer—I said firm believer—in socialism.... Now for these things, for doing my duty on a picket line, I've been victimized. It's not Ray and myself who are the criminals here. The criminals are Ma Bell, the San Leandro Police Department, this District Attorney."

The October 29 demonstration was an example in action of the Spartacist League perspective of building a multiracial vanguard party to lead the working class not only in effective struggle to defend the rights of labor and the oppressed but to fight for what we really need-a workers government to put the bosses and their state apparatus of repression out of business once and for all. This militant and determined protest was an important beginning in the fight to stop this racist anti-labor frame-up. Because Lauren and Ray are determined to fight this vendetta not just in court but through labor/black protest, the D.A. has backed off from one of the phony charges and the phone company has distanced itself from the racist scab/manager. But much more is needed to win this desperately important battle. We urge our readers to support this defense effort. Lauren and Ray fought for all of us; now we must fight for them.

How You Can Help

Endorse the demands of the Phone Strikers Defense Committee (and get your local union or organization to endorse), that: 1. Lauren Mozee and Ray Palmiero be reinstated at their jobs with full back pay; 2. Amnesty be granted to all victimized phone strikers; 3. All charges against Lauren Mozee, Ray Palmiero and all other phone strikers be dropped. Send a letter to the Phone Strikers Defense Committee, P.O. Box 24152, Oakland, CA 94623, with your/your organization's endorsement.

Contribute generously. Funds are desperately needed, both for defense expenses and to get the word out on the case. Send contributions to the Phone Strikers Defense Committee.

Bloodthirstiness...

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petty-bourgeois radicals embrace the "good" peoples (if necessary first inventing them, as in Lebanon today) and for the "bad," well, the only good one is a dead one. Reactionary in itself, such an attitude -completely divorced as it is from Marxist class analysis-necessarily gives way to anti-communist public opinion. Thus we see many of yesterday's "radicals" joining up ideologically with U.S. imperialism over the plight of "poor little Afghanistan" and the crushing of counterrevolutionary Polish Solidarność. (In Afghanistan, the "freedom fighters" are fanatical Islamic defenders of the bride price, while the "evil superpower" defends the rights of the Afghan people to emerge from the ninth century, including the right of women to learn to read. In Poland, "underdog" Lech Walesa and Solidarnosć représent the Vatican, Western bankers and the CIA in league against the Polish Stalinist bureaucracy, threatening a bloody return to capitalist "democracy," i.e., wage slavery and NATO missiles'.)

On another level, there is the conflict between the nationalist/Stalinist and the Trotskyist approaches

to the anti-Nazi resistance during World War II. The policy of the French Resistance was to attack lone German privates standing out on lonely streets at night trying to pick up girls; a typical "tactic" was to cut off their genitals and stuff them in their mouths. Predictably, this didn't lead to too many German recruits to the cause of the Resistance. The French Trotskyists sought to appeal to the class consciousness of the German soldiers (many of whose parents were Communists and Social Democrats), carrying out at great cost a policy of fraternization. Around the publication of Arbeiter und Soldat ("Worker and Soldier"), a clandestine newspaper for German class-conscious soldiers, they formed a Trotskyist secret cell within the German navy at Brest.

Today there are a half a million young men in the Bundeswehr (West German army) and, as in the past, they are likely to be sent off to fight for unjust causes. We would work for their defeat, but that does not mean that we propose the extermination of every German worker in uniform. We seek rather the bursting asunder from within, i.e., from below, of the imperialist armed forces as part of the struggle to realize comrade Lenin's profoundly humanist view of the "socialist system of society, which, by abolishing the division of mankind into classes, by abolishing all exploitation of man by man, and of one nation by other nations, will inevitably abolish all possibility of war."

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Soviet Republic side by side with imperialist states for an extended period is unthinkable. In the end either one or the other will triumph." But the nationalist logic of Stalin's "socialism in one country" leads the CP to abandon any pretense of defense of the USSR.

Refusing to oppose the militarism of its "own" bourgeoisie the CP must claim that "...the struggle for peace is not in itself a class question. Almost all classes and social strata, including some sections of the monopoly capitalist bourgeoisie, have a vital interest in preventing war" (*Canada's Party of Socialism*, 1982). But there is no special struggle against war somehow independent of and above the class struggle, lifted mysteriously from its social base and concrete historical causes. War is a symptom and result of the contradictions of capitalism in crisis.

While the CP appeals to the jackal Canadian bourgeoisie, who are marching with Reagan toward war against the USSR, we Trotskyists are guided by the Leninist dictum: the main enemy is at home! We in North America have a great opportunity and a great responsibility: to destroy this truly monstrous enemy of all the world before it destroys us all. There is not much time. Smashing imperialism is the only road to peace!

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Spartacist League/U.S. Vindicated Moonie God Apologizes to Marxist "Satan"

Being god is supposed to mean never having to say you're sorry. So it is rare indeed when a selfappointed messiah like "Lord of the Second Advent" Sun Myung Moon makes a public apology to the very forces he has identified as "Satan." Yet with the simple statement, "We no longer charge that the Spartacist League/Spartacus Youth League provoked violence on that day," the Moonies' Washington Times (26 December 1983) was forced to eat its libelous words against the SL/U.S. and the Labor/Black Mobilization which stopped the Ku Klux Klan on 27 November 1982.

On 14 June 1983 the SL/SYL had brought a libel suit against the Moonies' Times-Tribune Corp., owner of the Washington Times, which on 30 November 1982 published an article "Left-wing group linked to D.C. riot" that maliciously and falsely libeled the SL/SYL as criminal provocateurs, as "provoking violence" against the police. "Our successful fight against the Moonies' libel is an important victory for all those who hailed the Labor/Black Mobilization's stopping the terrorist Klan march on November 27," declared Rachel Wolkenstein, General Counsel for the SL, "This was a libel that kills. In falsely targeting the SL/SYL as would-be cop-killers, the Moonies were trying to set up the organizations' members and supporters to be shot first and questioned later. We took up the suit in self-defense, to protect not only our good name, but the right of anyone to organize against Klan/Nazi terror without being subject to vicious frame-ups."

The Moonie libel fits the pattern of falsely branding socialists and other political opponents of government policy as violent terrorists. The Reaganites recognize only two categories of opposition: wimpy college professors who write an occasional letter to the New York Times, or...terrorists. This victory cuts across this modus operandi of the witchhunters of Cold War II. In the forefront of this fight against the new McCarthyism with a drawn gun, the SL/U.S. has also initiated a suit against the FBI's ominous new Domestic Security/Terrorism Guidelines.

In reaching a settlement agreement, the SL/U.S.'s bottom line in the negotiations between the lawyers was that the Washington Times publicly retract its charge that the SL/SYL provoked violence on November 27. They published, along with their own introduction, a letter by the SL/SYL detailing the activities of the SL-initiated Labor/Black Mobilization, but rejected an initial letter which sets out the political context: key statements on Marxism versus terrorism and on the cop riot on November 27 near the reformist diversion rally. (For more information see Workers Vanguard No. 345, 6 January, which includes "What the Moonies Refused to Print," "FBI Director's Testimony Exposes Moonie Libel," the SL's press release and more.)

This important victory was secured against a group widely known and feared for its vindictive use of lawsuits against its opponents. With Moon's seemingly bottomless reservoir of money, multinational corporate interests, batteries of lawyers and connections in high places, the Moonies have become infamous, and regarded as making the courts a battlefield of harassment and intimidation in their holy war.

This victory against the Moonie press is certainly unusual and gratifying. It is also a little perplexing to have secured this apology from a group which has declared revolutionary Marxism the root of all evil, indeed "Satan" himself. At bottom, we knew the Washington Times libel would be patently obvious to jurors of nearly any political persuation or social composition, it was a pack of lies. The thousands who were there on the spot knew it. And even the FBI's director William Webster has said that the SL did not provoke violence. The truth was on our side. But the truth can matter little in court, especially in libel cases.

We have a remarkable record of success in beating back the attempts to label us as "terrorists." California Attorney General (now governor) George Deukmejian was forced to retract placing the SL/U.S. on a list of "terrorists" with which "law enforcement would have to deal." The Secret Service was forced to officially apologize to Jane Margolis, a supporter of the SL and an elected delegate to the Communications Workers of America (CWA) 1979 convention, who was pulled off the convention floor and held incommunicado by them when Jimmy Carter addressed the union. This outrage was meant to brand her as someone too dangerous to be in the same room with the president. The Secret Service handed over \$3,500 which Margolis donated to the CWA Defense Fund.

The Spartacist League didn't ask for this case. It was taken on to defend our party and its supporters from a set-up libel that kills. A workers party has the right to organize! As the SL/U.S. said when the suit was filed: "We do not intend to be nameless, faceless victims who can, with impunity, be blown away in the dead of night."

This victory against the most vicious, anti-Communist, and vindictively litigious outfit in the world did not come cheap. Legal fees alone were over \$24,000, investigative costs over \$4,000. Total costs for this lawsuit, including legal and printing, publicity and other expenses, have amounted to over \$30,000. Only a fraction of this has been raised so far. We need your generous contributions to pay for today's victory, preparing the way to win tomorrow's battles.

Cold War II is no time to "duck and cover": better to organize and fight. The Partisan Defense Committee is backing the SL legal suit against the FBI Guidelines. Celebrate this victory against the Moonie press with a contribution to the PDC. Send your checks to the Partisan Defense Committee, P.O. Box 99, Canal Street Station, New York, NY 10013.

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Another "associate" of CASAC is William Lau Richardson! A Trotskyist League letter and documentation sent to the union exposing Richardson together with a photo of this Klansman standing under a CASAC banner sent the CASAC supporters into an orgy of anti-communism. Covering for Richardson they put forward a witchhunting motion targeting the Trotskyist League. In response 30 union members came to the defense of the union and themselves endorsing and distributing a statement against the KKK/Nazis/ CASAC and their defenders in the union entitled "Which Side Are You On?" Three weeks later Paul and Mike were arrested at work on the outrageous frameup charges brought by Richardson and the Nazi George Graham.

This was followed by internal charges against Paul, Mike and other union members who signed the statement exposing Richardson and CASAC, brought by CASAC supporter John DeMarco. In a six-page document, much of which could have been written by Nazi propaganda chief Joseph Goebbels, DeMarco demanded the expulsion or suspension from the union of these 32 local members. The union membership voted overwhelmingly to throw out these despicable charges.

But the redbaiting and witchhunting was carried forward by something calling itself the "Concerned Rank and File." According to a statement issued by these junior McCarthys, union members who signed the statement "Which Side Are You On?" were nothing but "commie dupes." Borrowing a page from J. Edgar Hoover's "Masters of Deceit," their leaflet claims: "The petition was circulated by members and supporters of the Trotskyite (sic) League who obtained these signatures through deception and without fully explaining what their politics were all about."

It was never any secret that the LCUC militants who initiated and built opposition to the CASAClovers and Richardson defenders in the union are supporters of the Trotskyist League. The politics were quite straightforward—fighting fascism! The "concerned" who didn't even have the guts to sign

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race terrorists of the KKK, emboldening them to attempt more Greensboro massacres in the name of their "patriotic duty" in the war against communism. The acquittal by an all-white jury of the KKK/Nazi killers who murdered five leftist and black anti-Klan protesters in Greensboro, North Carolina in 1979 carried the ominous message that it is "open season" on union militants, minorities and leftists. The Canadian KKK brought home this message in blood and fire: hooded and robed Klansmen roaming the streets of Vancouver in a terror campaign targeting left-wing bookstores, an East Indian shot in broad daylight with a needle reading "Compliments from the KKK," crossburnings, firebombings of East Asians' homes, houses sprayed with shotgun fire.

When the Klan threatened to hold a "victory march" in Detroit days after the Greensboro massacre our comrades in the Spartacist League/U.S. (SL/U.S.) initiated a successful 500-strong rally of militant auto workers and blacks to proclaim "The Klan Won't Ride in the Motor City!" From San Francisco to Chicago to Ann Arbor to Washington, D.C., the SL/U.S. has initiated demonstrations that have stopped the their own rank leaflet equate the fascists with the best anti-fascist militants. All this in the service of anti-communist witchhunting, not to mention their own hoped-for future careers in the labor bureaucracy.

In the tradition of the two Joes, Stalin and McCarthy, Jim Turnbull, a self-styled "progressive," carried the torch for the "Concerned Rank and File" at the November 17 Local 1 meeting. Leaping to his feet to censor the reading of the Committee to Defend Anti-Fascist Unionists' statement Turnbull mobilized to defeat a motion in defense of Paul and Mike against William Lau Richardson.

Anti-communism makes strange bedfellows. Here we find Turnbull, a one-time Mao-lover sharing the sheets with supporters of the fascist-infested, laborhating CASAC. But then one whose political training included vigorously defending China's alliance with U.S. imperialism—from Mao's wining and dining Richard Nixon while U.S. planes bombed Hanoi to China's active support to the forces in Angola backed by the U.S. and apartheid South Africa—has the stomach to bloc with anybody.

Anti-communism means union-busting, blacklisting, frame-ups and witchhunts. It means that militants like Paul and Mike who stand up and defend themselves and others against the fascist terrorist Richardson are threatened with ten years in jail. The dedefeat of the motion in defense of these union members only serves to embolden management which is promising to give the postal unions "the PATCO treatment." Where "legal" methods are found wanting the bosses have in reserve the fascist storm troopers with their guns loaded and aimed directly at organized labor, minorities and the left.

The LCUC's sister union, the Toronto local of the CUPW, certainly understood that all unionists and the oppressed have a stake in defending Paul and Mike, endorsing the demand to drop the charges and making a generous \$500 contribution. Militants who want to get the LCUC off its knees and fighting against the bosses must come to the defense of their own union brothers against the union-busting fascist terrorist Richardson. DROP THE CHARGES AGAINST PAUL SCHNEIDER AND MIKE MARES!

fascists and pointed the way forward to fight back against Cold War reaction and race terror: integrated, labor-centered mobilizations.

Stopping the "legal" lynching of postal militants Schneider and Mares is more than a court battle. Defending these unionists means a political campaign of protest by all the enemies and victims of fascist terror, union-busting and the state's secret police, From Quebec to B.C., unionists, leftists, prominent NDPers and others have endorsed the demand of the Trotskyist League-initiated Committee to Defend Anti-Fascist Unionists: Drop the Charges Against Paul Schneider and Mike Mares! All workers, all the oppressed have a stake in stopping the outrageous frame-up of these unionists by the labor-hating Klansman Richardson. But the fight extends far beyond just one thug. Stopping scum like Richardson means fighting for what is really needed: a workers government that will sweep away the fascist threat once and for all and bring to proletarian justice the state masters he has so loyally served.

> PACK COURTROOM 31, OLD CITY HALL FEBRUARY 1, 10 a.m., IN SOLIDARITY WITH THESE TWO UNIONISTS!

SPARTACIST CANADA William Lau Richardson: Fascist Scum! **Stop the Frame-up** by KKK Union Buster!

Two postal militants, Paul Schneider and Mike Mares, members of the Letter Carriers Union of Canada (LCUC) Local 1, Toronto, are being set up for "legal" lynching by William Lau Richardson, the self-declared "intelligence director" of the Ku Klux Klan. This is an outrage! Richardson is Canada's most notorious agent provocateur-a union-busting terrorist, convicted bomb-planter and top KKK thug. Now this criminal race terrorist, together with another fascist creep, the Nazi George Graham, is trying to have

Defend Paul and Mike!

these two postal workers thrown in jail on charges of "assault causing bodily harm" for defending themselves and others against the thug Richardson's provocation of an abortion rights demonstration.

Richardson is targeting Schneider and Mares because they are union militants, fighters against Klan terror and supporters of the Trotskyist League of Canada (TL). They were active in warning their union about Richardson (who had been seen lurking outside local meetings) as part of a TL campaign exposing this laborhating fascist, distributing photos and documentation of his 15-year record of crimes against the workers movement to union, left and minority organizations. In their union Paul and Mike have consistently fought for the only strategy that works to stop the fascists: militant mass mobilizations of labor, minorities and all the oppressed.

They helped win the local's support for the 5,000strong Labor/Black Mobilization that stopped the Klan in Washington, D.C. in November 1982. Richardson's outrageous frame-up charges against these two unionists is an open attack on all those who would organize to stop fascist terror and defend themselves against the murderous KKK.

The following chilling statement introduces a recent article on Richardson by freelance journalist Julian Sher, entitled "Klan Cop":

"When James Alexander McQuirter, the former head of the Canadian Ku Klux Klan, appeared in a Toronto courtroom last fall to face charges of conspiracy to overthrow a foreign government,



only one of his fellow Klansmen stood by to watch the proceedings.

"The tall man in his forties with slick black hair, sporting dark sunglasses, a brown leather jacket, jeans and black boots, chatted briefly with the accused before the trial began. Within an hour, (continued on page 12)

and William Lau Richardson, self-described "intelligence director" of

the KKK. **Below: George** Graham's official Nazi membership card.