

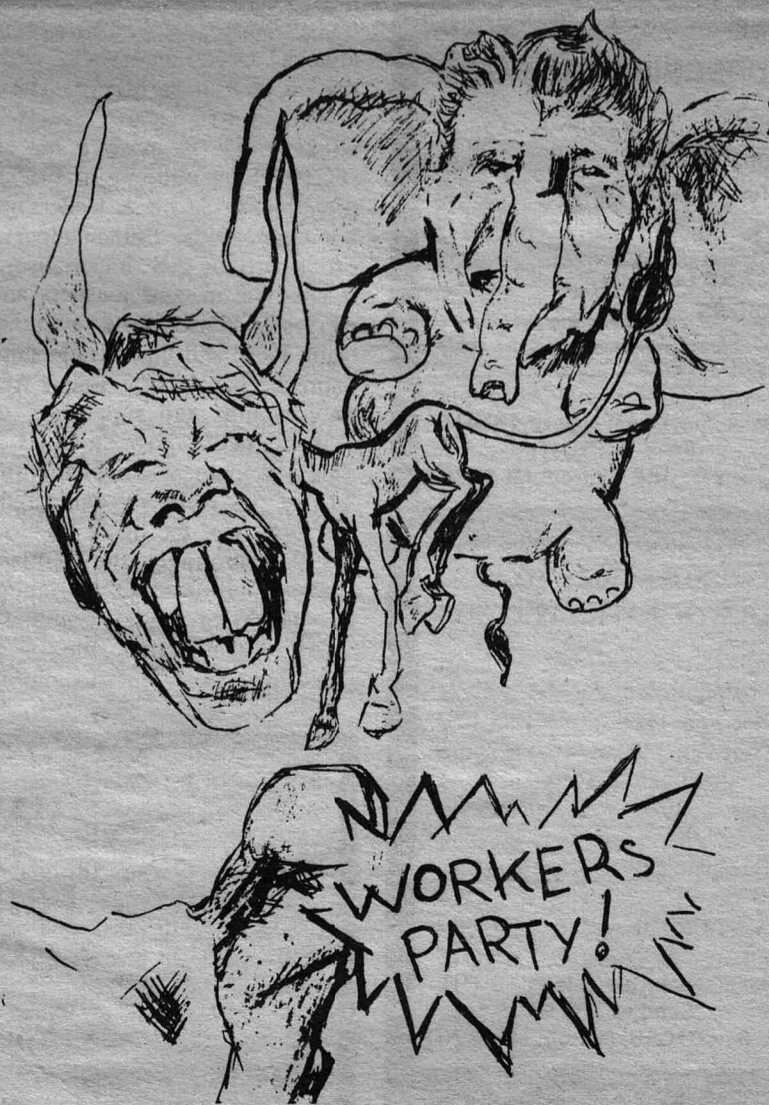
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Black "Leaders" Cover for Carter While Blacks are Murdered . . . New Leadership for Blacks!

FBI Director William Webster flew to Atlanta, Georgia, on October 17 to tell blacks that despite the "slayings and disappearances of black children in Atlanta, the growing paramilitary stance of the Ku Klux Klan and the sniper shootings of blacks in other parts of the country, there is no evidence that a nationwide conspiracy is developing against blacks."

After all, he should know. It has been the FBI that has ORGANIZED all the past nationwide conspiracies against blacks — the murder and attack of civil rights fighters in the 1960's (with its KKK "spy" Gary Thomas Rowe); the murder of Black Panther militants in the early 70's.

And, as usual, the FBI is lying. There is a conspiracy against blacks to deprive them of their rights and their lives. And it consists not only of the FBI, police, the KKK but, most importantly, of the Democratic Party and all its black "leaders" and loyal "critics."

This conspiracy is part of the desperate reaction by the imperialist rulers to the growing mobilization in this country and around the world against their entire order. The ruling circles know that their anti-black policies of "sacrifice" and "national unity" are spawning these racist attacks on blacks. Policies that they hoped to reaffirm and develop through their candidates, Reagan and Carter, in the elections.

But Carter and Reagan have already lost. This summer saw over 20 rebellions, North and South, against racist attacks. Carter had rocks and bottles thrown at him in Miami. These rebellions, and more clearly, events in recent weeks, show the massive and open REJECTION by millions of blacks of the petty bourgeois black leadership — the left wing of the Democratic Party, the major party of U.S. imperialism.

This rise in consciousness among the masses of blacks has thrown the Democratic Party and black leadership into an unprecedented crisis. Ralph Abernathy, only months ago supporting the loser Ted Kennedy, now supports Reagan. This development, coupled with the failure of the Kennedy campaign despite the support of the black leaders and the UAW, announces the demise of the "liberal-labor-black alliance," the foundation of the Democratic Party's "party of the people" rule.

Nothing revealed this more clearly

than the desperate remarks of Andrew Young in speaking of Ronald Reagan's support to "states rights": Looks like a code word to me that it's going to be all right to kill niggers when he's president."

Even as he spoke, blacks in Buffalo (where several blacks have been racially murdered) denounced Jesse Jackson for pleading with them to vote: "You're talkin' about votin' and people are dyin'." Mayor Maynard Jackson of Atlanta, another prominent black leader, was forced to confront 1500 angry demonstrators in the face of a wave of murdered black youth and the suspicious explosion of a black day-care center.

So we, along with these thousands of blacks say to Andrew Young, "What about the fact that it's 'all right' to kill blacks TODAY?"

The link is made from the KKK, to the government, and from the government to the corrupted black leaders. This link is concentrated in their "lesser of two evils" line in the elections.

In fact, with the massive discontent of millions of workers and youth, black and white, now is the time for a REAL, POSITIVE AND REVOLUTIONARY ALTERNATIVE for blacks in 1980.

The struggle for black liberation needs a new program and a new leadership. A program of Workers Democracy — to impose the rule of the workers over this racist democracy. A Workers Democracy — to insure complete freedom and rights for all oppressed and blacks in the U.S. by eliminating the fountainhead of racism — the bourgeoisie and its democracy.

This means a battle in the unions against the racist bureaucracy which has done NOTHING to defend blacks. A fight for union defense guards to patrol black neighborhoods, to defend blacks and to drive out the racists.

Above all, Workers Democracy means a fight to construct a NEW leadership — a Workers Party. A party unlike other parties, one that fights for Workers Democracy, for black liberation in every mobilization, against the leadership of the unions and the black organizations.

With such a battle, blacks can become, finally, the masters of their own destiny.

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The Iran-Iraq War

The Iran-Iraq war is no local conflict which it is possible to condemn with a moralistic "plague on both your houses." With each passing day, it becomes clearer and clearer that it is part of an attempt by the world order of imperialism to isolate and defeat the Iranian Revolution. It is the latest step the terrorist rearmament of the counter-revolutionary Holy Alliance between imperialism and the Kremlin.

It is no accident that the reactionary Iraqi regime attacked Iran just after the military coup d'etat in Turkey. This coup, together with the Kremlin's intervention in Afghanistan, was a step toward the encirclement of the Iranian Revolution.

This war also has been a way to reintroduce an imperialist military presence into the Persian Gulf, from which the Iranian Revolution expelled it. Thus, the sending of AWAC planes to Saudi Arabia and the "allied" imperialist fleet in the Indian Ocean, together with a sizable Kremlin naval presence, aimed at "protecting stability."

The road to the victory of Iran over the Iraqi invasion lies only through the defense and extension of the Iranian revolution. No confidence in the Khomeini-Rajai-Bani Sadr gang, with their lies of the "army of twenty million." Such an army can be based only on the arming of the revolutionary masses, while this regime has consistently sought to disarm and demoralize these masses. Against the centrist liars, like the American SWP, who preach support to this leadership and cover up its attacks on the working class and the national minorities, especially the Arabs and the Kurds.

The Iranian Revolution was a blow to the world order of imperialism, a blow whose damage the Holy Alliance is desperately trying to repair.

The Fourth International is the world party of the revolution. It alone can unite the workers under its banner in defense of their own interests. The key to this today is the struggle for the boycott of the Madrid Conference, at which the bosses of the world are seeking to defend their order — the order of the Shah, of Somoza, of Jimmy Carter.

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Reject the Elections — Factory Assemblies on Nov. 4!

Workers and youth:

More than ten months ago we began a fight to organize the U.S. working class and its youth in face of the upcoming Presidential elections. We pointed out the international importance of these elections as part of the campaign of U.S. imperialism to turn back the tide of the world revolution. We fought for the necessity of an independent, political, working class intervention, for a Workers Candidate of the unions based on a program of Workers Democracy to prepare the organization of a Workers Party. In the last months we presented our own candidate, Fred Vitale, member of the UAW, to organize this fight, especially in the UAW. Important advances have been made.

Our policy has met the test of time. Although we have not succeeded in organizing a mass Workers Candidate of the unions, our policy is the only one which has laid the basis for your advance in the coming months and which can organize your active resistance to the miserable farce which will take place on November 4.

Everyone else is in retreat. First of all the imperialists and their candidates — Carter and Reagan. This election is their worst failure ever. Over 58 per cent of the electorate finds BOTH candidates "objectionable." Voter turnout will be the lowest ever.

Their "campaign" to restore confidence in U.S. imperialism at home and abroad has degenerated into mud-slinging and race-baiting. What was supposed to be a campaign to rearm imperialism, to restore confidence in their democracy, has instead shown its confusion and disarray, its lack of any coherent program to confront the working class.

The most massive radio and TV campaign ever to convince workers that Carter or Reagan are "workers candidates" illustrates the crucial role of the working class in these elections and the need for a real workers candidate. But this campaign has failed also — the majority of workers remain "undecided" and the ranks of the union bureaucrats have split, the majority supporting Carter, others supporting Reagan (IBT, ILA), other neutral (IAM).

The union bureaucrats, tied to a sinking ship, have already lost this election.

So have Carter and Reagan. Before November 4 they are both losers — the "victor" will take office in January on the basis of a minority of actual voters and an even smaller minority of eligible voters. Less than 30 percent of all taxpayers saw fit to contribute \$1 to their election campaign! The "victor" will find himself without the support of any significant sector of the population.

The CP and SWP have also lost. Not



because of the small number of votes they will get, but because of their political retreat. Tied to the illusion that their favorite bureaucrats would form a "labor party," opposing any independent campaign by the workers and their unions, rejecting our proposal for a common candidate of the working class, their campaigns have been reduced to sterile propaganda and lawsuits. Not one union local, not one independent group of workers or youth has endorsed their campaigns. Unlike the Trotskyist Organization/USA, they will find themselves on November 4 more isolated from the working class than ever.

Workers and youth — We have not retreated in face of these elections, nor have you. We don't intend to go to the polling place on November 4 holding our noses, nor should you. We don't intend to sit at home on election day sulking, nor should you. We don't intend to accept the results of this farce, **NOR SHOULD YOU!**

Although it is late in the day to organize a workers candidacy, it is not too late to organize an active opposition to these elections and it is not too EARLY to organize the working class rejection

of the new imperialist leadership, whoever it may be.

As the only organization which has not lost these elections, speaking to the only class which has not lost, we call on you to join us on November 4 in **ORGANIZING FOR WORKERS DEMOCRACY.**

No one stay at home! No one go alone to the polls holding your nose! As a workers democratic right, organize **FACTORY ASSEMBLIES** on company time on November 4 to reject this election and its results.

FACTORY ASSEMBLIES, with laid off workers invited, to discuss the election campaign and its results, to define a workers program of struggle in face of them and to prepare the working class response to the election results. Above all to continue the struggle by continuing the political fight for Workers Democracy, for a **WORKERS PARTY** based on the unions.

FACTORY ASSEMBLIES to insure that no worker throws his or her vote away. We are still for a working class intervention in the ballot box, to do whatever we can to shatter their farce by showing our votes. Thus — **NO**

VOTES FOR BOURGEOIS CANDIDATES (Carter, Reagan, Anderson) or for the petty bourgeois candidates (Citizens Party, Libertarian Party). Make your vote a vote for class independence — support our candidate in your assemblies and then decide how to have this support counted in the ballot box.

This fight likewise applies in the schools, neighborhoods, wherever workers and youth can be assembled. The key question is to **ORGANIZE** on November 4 independently, to draw a political balance sheet of the elections and to outline a course of struggle to advance.

Everyone else is looking on November 4 with trepidation. Because they have already lost, because they have already retreated. But the workers have not lost; on the contrary, this is an important moment to advance.

This country does indeed need a new leadership — the leadership of the only productive class in society, the only class which stands for democracy for all, the only class with a future. Join us in organizing its power on November 4. October 21, 1980

Resolution for Factories and Schools

We, workers and youth, have decided to meet on Election Day to organize our active opposition to U.S. imperialism and its miserable farce. We therefore resolve:

1) No votes for bourgeois candidates! We reject the union bureaucrats' and black "leaders'" endorsements of Carter and Reagan. We endorse the platform of the Trotskyist Organization/USA and its candidate, Fred Vitale, and will decide -- given state and local circumstances (whether write-ins are counted, what working class parties are on the ballot) — how to best have our vote for class independence counted.

2) Reject the results of these elections! Down with the "national unity" that will follow! We endorse the fight for a **WORKERS PARTY** based on the unions as the immediate task following the elections.

3) Join our rejection of U.S. imperialism with the international movement of opposition to imperialism and Stalinism. Defend the Polish workers — for independent trade unions in Eastern Europe and the USSR. For a Workers Boycott and Workers Counter-Conference opposed to the Madrid Conference of the bosses of the world.



Poland, Spain, the United States — Full Legal Rights for the Fourth International!

By JON COHEN

In a recent interview in the DETROIT FREE PRESS, Communist Party/USA candidate for President Gus Hall was asked: "The Communist Party in the past has been an international party, and some Americans . . . have thought it is not loyal to the United States. How do you respond?"

Hall responded: "Up until the Second World War there was a world Communist organization. The parties were independent, but they were affiliated to a world (group) which was called the Communist International. But since the Second World War, there has been no world Communist organization of any kind . . . Our party is an American working class revolutionary organization . . ."

This "American revolutionary organization" denied that it was even a "party" in order to get on the ballot in Michigan. This "American revolutionary organization" is so willing to prove its "loyalty" to the United States that it is running on a program of the counterrevolution: support for "peaceful coexistence" between Stalinism and imperialism, against the Polish workers and their independent trade unions, and at home a program to "save the cities," just as they fought to "save Chrysler" last year along with Lee Iacocca and the UAW bureaucrats.

An "American revolutionary organization" which is not revolutionary but is "American" in the worst sense of the term. Rejecting the basic precept of Marxism and the foundation for being a revolutionary today, that the workers of the world have no country, the American CP rejects the international working class and the international revolution in face of its "American" version and joins the U.S. bourgeoisie in reinforcing the national isolation of the U.S. working class with all of its elements — fascism, national chauvinism. It represents the "America" of imperialism.

Gus Hall's remarks demonstrate that the U.S. bourgeoisie is willing to tolerate all kinds of "American" "revolutionary" "organizations." Including all those who stand in the wake of the CP, including those "left" critics of the CP present at a CP election rally in Detroit

who refused to respond to the defense of the Polish workers by saying: "We're only here to talk about the elections."

It is perfectly acceptable to the U.S. bourgeoisie for a "revolutionary" to "talk about the elections." But NOT acceptable to talk about the unity of the U.S. working class with the workers in Poland, the USSR and the rest of Eastern Europe. It is perfectly acceptable to talk about the "American" revolution, but AGAINST THE LAW to talk about the international revolution.

From Poland to Spain to the United States, where the Fourth International is present through its national organizations, there is no legal right to belong to an international organization in defense of the world revolution. Despite the myriads of "legal" "revolutionaries," those who fight to put into practice the central tenet of Marxism, "Workers of the world, unite," continue to be repressed throughout the world.

Because there is no place for those who fight for the international revolution in the present framework of class collaboration between imperialism and Stalinism. In the framework of the Madrid Conference on European Security and Cooperation, a conference to formalize the counterrevolutionary accords between Stalinism and imperialism and to "legalize" the terrorist rearmament of their Holy Alliance, there is room for plenty of "legal" "revolutionary" parties, from the official Communist Parties in Eastern Europe to the CP's in France, Italy, Spain and the U.S., to the pseudo-"Trotskyist deputies" in Peru, to the U.S. SWP which wants to be recognized as a party "just like the Democrats and Republicans."

But there is no room for the revolutionary internationalists, for those who defend workers rights, for those opposed to this international class collaboration.

Thus in Poland where the recent "Gdansk accords" "legalize" the independent trade unions, they at the same time attack their existence as weapons of the working class. And those who continue the fight to link the struggle for independent trade unions to the struggle to prepare the world revolution are de-

nounced by Stalinists and pseudo-Trotskyists alike as "provocateurs." The fight to legalize the Polish section of the Fourth International is a fight for real legality, the legality of a fight for full political rights for the Polish working class.

In Spain, our party, the PORE, has been put on trial to have it declared illegal for "preaching the class struggle and the dictatorship of the proletariat" and for belonging to the Fourth International. While many other parties in Spain are legal as a result of their compromises with the Francoist monarchy, our party remains illegal for its uncompromising struggle against the Francoist state and its "human rights" facade.

Likewise, in the United States, in the home of bourgeois democracy, the ruling class has made it clear with a whole series of laws and criminal prosecutions that its freedom of association does not extend to those who advocate the most important workers right of all — that of revolutionary solidarity with the struggle of the workers of the world.

The Smith and Voorhis Acts (see accompanying article), enacted during the Democratic administration of Roosevelt, are still on the books. Despite their blatantly unconstitutional nature in terms of the bourgeoisie's own laws and the interpretations of its courts, these laws are still around as a club over the head of the working class. And there is no doubt that in some form they may be upheld one day — even liberals accept the idea that being a "foreign" organization places one in a different category that can justify attacks on first amendment rights of organizations.

The Voorhis Act won't simply go away — the government hasn't "forgotten" about it (witness its incorporation into the new revision of the federal criminal code, S. 1722). Even though not actively enforced, even though it is constitutionally suspect, it remains on the books as a weapon against the U.S. working class.

The Voorhis Act must be repealed. S. 1722 must be stopped. Full legal rights must be won for the Fourth International in the U.S.

Why bother — if there isn't any present repression against the Fourth International in the U.S. under these laws, why stir things up? And when real repression comes laws and constitutions won't matter, they haven't stopped anything in the past.

We are for a fight against these laws now and for the legalization of the FI in the U.S. now because they concern WORKERS RIGHTS, those legal rights that must be won and conquered WITHOUT ANY COLLABORATION WITH THE BOURGEOIS STATE. They are among the most fundamental rights the working class can have under a system of bourgeois democracy, because they are among those rights that are imposed by the working class through its independent organization and combat. They can coexist with bourgeois democracy only to the extent that the working class remains organized and fights for them. That is why the SWP, which claims to stand for the Fourth International, has never fought the Voorhis Act. Since 1963 it has sought its "legalization" by collaboration with the bourgeois state — against workers rights.

The fight for such workers rights, specifically, for the right to unite in the preparation of the world revolution, sets the terrain and defines the battlefield on which the working class can confront the bourgeoisie. Legalization of our party is not by itself a victory, but is a means to organize the battlefield, to organize the active opposition to the Holy Alliance between Stalinism and imperialism. It is a fight, by definition, opposed to all maneuvers within this terrorist alliance, a fight that stretches from Poland to Spain to the U.S.

We call on all workers and youth and their organizations to join us in this fight. Poland, Spain, United States — Full legal rights for the Fourth International!
October 20, 1980



Voorhis Act

The Voorhis Act was passed on October 17, 1940, by the U.S. Congress. It is now found in Title 18, Section 2386 of the U.S. Code (Title 18 is the federal criminal code). Enacted as part of the legal armament of U.S. imperialism in face of World War II, the Voorhis Act and its companion, the Smith Act (Title 18, Section 2385), are still on the books.

Basically, the Voorhis Act requires the registration with the U.S. Attorney General of every organization subject to foreign control which engages in political activity.

Political activity is: any activity the purpose or aim of which, or one of the purposes or aims of which, is the control by force or overthrow of the Government of the United States or a political subdivision thereof, or any State or political subdivision thereof . . .

An organization is subject to foreign control if:

a) it solicits or accepts financial contributions, loans, or support of any kind, directly or indirectly, from, or is affiliated directly or indirectly with, a foreign government or a political subdivision thereof, or an agent, agency or instrumentality of a foreign government or political subdivision thereof, or a political party in a foreign country, or an international political organization; or

b) its policies, or any of them, are determined by or at the suggestion of, or in collaboration with, a foreign government or political subdivision thereof, or a political party in a foreign country, or an international political organization.

The "registration" required by this Act is not pro forma. Organizations are required to supply not only the names and addresses of officers, but addresses of every meeting place, time of all meetings, names of every person who contributes "anything of value," a detailed statement of finances, activities, and a copy of each book, pamphlet, leaflet, or other publication or item of written, printed or graphic matter issued or distributed directly or indirectly by the organization . . . together with the name of its author or authors.

Violation of this Act results in being fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than 5 years, or both.

Nor can this "registration" procedure be viewed in isolation from its companion, the Smith Act. The Smith Act basically makes it illegal for individuals to engage in the "political activity" defined by the Voorhis Act. Thus, the trap — if you admit that you engage in the "political activity" defined by the Voorhis Act, comply with the law and register, you then are admitting that you are in violation of the Smith Act!

These Acts, taken together, are clearly in violation of the U.S. Constitution and its fifth amendment privilege against self-incrimination, as well as first amendment rights to political speech and association.

Nevertheless, they remain on the books, the Smith Act being upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court in *Dennis v. United States*, the 1951 conviction of leaders of the American CP. The Voorhis Act has never been used, but the principle of "foreign registration" (if no self-incrimination is attached to it) was upheld by the Supreme Court in sustaining the validity of the registration procedures of the Internal Security Act of 1950 and its "Subversive Activities Control Board." October 19, 1980



The "Friends" of the Polish Workers

Now here's a strange thing. Everybody is "for" the Polish workers. Reagan gets a big hug from Lech Walesa's father and Carter claims that the "American example" ("human rights") is responsible for the Polish strikes. The bourgeois press is "for" the Polish workers, and so is the trade union bureaucracy. The pseudo-Trotskyists are "for" them.

So many friends. And so recently. Why, any normally-constituted worker or youth might be forgiven for being suspicious of such unanimous "friendship."

What were the Polish workers fighting for and how does that make it easier to see what friendship for them really means?

Even Lech Walesa declared that the goal of the workers was to be "the real masters of the factories." And this echoes the striking autoworkers in the Soviet Union: "We should show who is boss of this factory."

"Real masters of the factories." Is that a goal that Reagan, or Carter or Doug Fraser has in mind for the workers of the United States? It doesn't even make the slightest sense for them to say such a thing.

In countries like Poland, the workers have made certain SOCIALIST CONQUESTS. The factories, the land, the government, have been taken out of the hands of the imperialists. Carter and Fraser are certainly not for that.

Remember in 1973 when two Chrysler workers caused the shut-down of the Jefferson Avenue plant and attained their goals? Fraser announced that "Chrysler has lost its manhood" and then mobilized a goon squad to break the Mack Avenue sitdown.

Carter is the architect of the current "recession" and its attack on the autoworkers, putting hundreds of thousands of them on the street for the benefit of the auto companies.

So it is easy to see that their "support" of the Polish workers is, to say the least, hypocritical.

But we are not really interested in their hypocrisy. When the UAW bureaucrats "defend" the Polish workers, their goal is to hide from the AMERICAN workers what is really at stake. Not just in Poland, but in the U.S. as well.

With a straight face, the UAW bureaucrats announce that the Polish workers are fighting for "collective bargaining," the benefits of which are so obvious to several hundred thousand laid-off autoworkers.

This is the basis on which Fraser and the AFL-CIO gang offer their pitiful little conscience money, to hide from the

American workers the fact that they have done nothing and are doing nothing to actually defend the free trade unions.

And Carter, who claims credit for the Polish upsurge in his campaign commercials, has openly come to the aid of the Polish government with a better grain deal.

There is one fight to defend the free trade unions and one only. And that is the fight of the international working class to unite with the struggle of the Polish workers, not as individuals, but above all through their organizations, through their unions.

The Fourth International is supporting and fighting for the proposal made by Victor Fainberg, the representative abroad of the Soviet free trade union SMOT, for the establishment of an International Conference of Trade Unions and Trade Union Branches to defend the free trade unions and to fight for the liberation of imprisoned free trade unionists, especially Vladimir Klebanov.

The last issue of TRUTH carried a resolution made at a meeting of UAW Local 174 for support to Fainberg's proposal. Local officials of the UAW and an International Representative were present at this meeting — and voted it down!

This same UAW bureaucracy has in the past likewise made clear its position — "low priority" — on freeing Klebanov, who is now being dosed with "neuroleptics" in the "special psychiatric hospitals" of the KGB for his fight for free trade unions in the USSR.

Today, the fight for the International Union Conference has the same "low priority" with these "friends" of the Polish workers.

But 200 Swedish workers, at the initiative of the Swedish section of the Fourth International, voted a resolution in support of the free trade unions, sent a delegation to Gdansk and contributed 1210 kroner (about \$300) to the strikers.

The actual work is easy enough to do if the will to do it is there. That is what is lacking with the UAW and AFL-CIO and capitalist party "friends."

The Fourth International is also taking responsibility for organizing a tour by Fainberg and by Vladimir Borisov, the exiled SMOT leader, in Sweden and in Spain. The road is open for a fight for these workers to bring their tour to the U.S. How will the "friends" respond? Let's put them on the spot, let's expose their real opposition to the fight for free trade unions, let's organize a struggle for the Fainberg proposal and the Fainberg-Borisov tour throughout the working class organizations!

October 20, 1980
K.F.

Platform of the Trotskyist Organization USA

FOR WORKERS DEMOCRACY!

FOR A WORKERS PARTY!

4 Break all support to the Democratic Party.

• An all-trade union conference to launch a Workers Party based on a Workers Program.

• Build a leadership for the workers revolution.

WIN BACK OUR UNIONS!

• Oust the bureaucrats, unions under the control of the ranks.

• Full trade union democracy, strike down the "red clause."

• Unions to champion the cause of the whole working class and the oppressed.

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• Defend free trade unions of workers of Poland, the USSR.

• Active boycott of the military dictatorships in Latin America.

• Strike down Taft-Hartley.

DEFEND WORKERS RIGHTS!

• Down with the Voorhis Act which prevents the legalization of the Fourth International in the U.S.

• Down with the proposed revision of the federal criminal code, S-1722, an attack on workers rights to organization, assembly, free speech and international association.

• Defend the rights of immigrants, Iranians, Latin Americans.

• Unions organize the defense of the rights of blacks and minorities against terrorist "justice."

• The right to a job, a living wage, an education.

UNITY OF OUR STRUGGLES!

• United front of the unions against "austerity" plans.

• Open the books of the capitalists for workers inspection.

• For a sliding scale of working hours and wages, jobs for all!

• Unity of trade unions and strikes through independent organization of strike committees, central strike committees, uniting all unions, mass picketing.

A FUTURE FOR THE WORKING CLASS YOUTH!

• For a program of education and public works for the youth under workers control.

• Down with the draft, No! to the imperialist army of intervention.

• For a workers army, workers defense guards against the fascist and racist provocations.

FOR A COMMON WORKERS CANDIDATE OF THE UNIONS IN THE 1980 ELECTIONS!

Reject the Gdansk Accords!

By KEVIN FITZPATRICK

The massive revolt of the Polish workers is not, as the capitalist and Stalinist liars repeat, "an internal Polish affair." On the contrary, it marks the beginning of the revolution throughout Europe.

In particular, it marks the beginning of the POLITICAL REVOLUTION, the overthrow of the Stalinist bureaucracy in the USSR and Eastern Europe. This revolution, together with the social revolution in Western Europe, forms the European Revolution as a whole.

Everywhere, the workers and youth have been inspired by the Polish example. Obviously, a tremendous impact has been felt in Eastern Europe, an impact which is reflected in the continued and growing threats by the Kremlin's lackeys.

But in Western Europe, too, the impact has been immense. Hundreds of thousands of FIAT workers in Italy, on strike against layoffs in the auto industry, have marched in the streets, shouting: "Gdansk, Gdansk! We will do like in Russia!"

"... Do like in Russia." That sounds strange to American ears.

The events today in Poland, in fact all over the world (Iran, Nicaragua), are not isolated revolutionary outbreaks.

They are the expression of the development of the world revolution, the continuation of what was begun in Russia in 1917 by the Bolshevik Party.

"We will do like in Russia" was the battle cry of the revolutionary workers and youth who were inspired by the example of the Russian Revolution.

But these workers and youth were betrayed, disorganized and demoralized by the counterrevolutionary Stalinist bureaucracy which arose on the basis of the ISOLATION of the Russian Revolution.

Today, Poland once again opens the road throughout Europe to continuing the Russian Revolution, to defending and extending the conquests of that revolution (existing in bureaucratically deformed condition throughout Eastern Europe), onto the world scale.

The Russian Revolution was victorious because it was led by a revolutionary Marxist party, a party that, under the leadership of Lenin, drew all the lessons of the struggle of the working class for power and then put them into action.

The Stalinist degeneration and bureaucratic deformation of the revolution was carried out by an ATTACK ON LENINISM, extending to the attempt to physically exterminate those who stood for Leninism — the Trotskyists, the Fourth International.

Today, as Poland shows, the fight to extend the Russian Revolution means a direct battle against Stalinism. In order for this struggle to be victorious, the Polish workers, the European workers, need a party like the Bolshevik Party, they need to RETURN TO LENIN.

The Fourth International is this party. It seeks to prove this in struggle to the new current arising in the working class all over the world. That is the meaning of the Conference of Eastern European Militants for the Return to Lenin that our party is organizing.

This Conference is a means to organize a struggle for the revolution today, to carry forward to victory the battle that has already begun.

In particular, the fight to build the PARTY OF THE POLITICAL REVOLUTION in Poland is at the center of the struggle of the Fourth International.

Through its Polish section, the Revolutionary Workers League, the Fourth International offers a common battle, a united front, to all the Polish revolutionary militants, around a concrete focus.

This focus is a struggle to REJECT THE GDANSK ACCORDS, to reject the whole compromise with Stalinism that they represent.

These Gdansk Accords accept the whole framework of the world order of imperialism and Stalinism. They are in flat contradiction to the demands around which the Polish workers went into action in the first place.

Thus, the original demands of the workers called for free trade unions and the ending of the official Stalinist unions' existence.

But the Gdansk Accords, signed by the conciliatory and opportunist Walesa leadership on August 30, state that: "We do not dispute anyone's right to stay in the old union, and in future there might even be cooperation between the two unions."

Moreover, the Accords state that the free unions "recognize that the Polish Communist Party plays a leading role in the state and they do not challenge existing international alliances."

In other words, the Walesa grouping, advised by the "human rights" KSS/KOR and the Catholic intellectuals, accepts the Kremlin domination of Poland, the Stalinist rule that every worker and youth loathes.

Despite all pressures, a minority voted against these accords, with the workers of Gdynia also expressing sharp disagreement.

These are the fighters to whom the Fourth International offers the common struggle against these Accords.

The Fourth International exists and fights in Poland. Its section is composed of the militant youth who went into action against the bureaucracy in 1968, who were the targets of the vicious anti-Semitic campaign unleashed by the bureaucracy.

It was through the Polish militants of the Fourth International that the transcript of the confrontation between Gierek and the Szczecin workers in 1970 reached the West.

In the group around Comrade Z. inside Poland, the Fourth International links up with pre-World War II Polish Trotskyism in the person of a militant who spent 17 years in Stalin's GULAG and came out still a fighter for Trotskyism, who was again prosecuted in 1966 and who today is in political agreement with the Fourth International.

The Fourth International alone has foreseen what is happening today in Poland. WALKA KLAS ("Class Struggle"), organ of our Polish section, declared in December 1978 that the "situation in the country is pre-revolutionary," pointing out the rise of the free trade unions and their significance. (Reprinted in TRUTH No.88).

No other party or organization, least of all the pseudo-Trotskyists, foresaw anything. The French Pabloite journal, ROUGE, in January 1979 condemned any talk of the party of the political revolution as "magical incantations."

So it is not surprising to find this same ROUGE picking up Stalinist slander from the Polish bureaucracy's weekly, KULTURA. In regard to the expulsion of militants of the FI from the Lenin Shipyard by the Walesa leadership (see TRUTH 121), ROUGE chimes in: "This is a question of the Spanish militants of the (Vargaite) LIRQI" — ROUGE means the Fourth International — "a little sect whose specialty is announcing the imminence of the revolution everywhere... But who is interested in discrediting Trotskyism in Poland?"

Slander is the only possible response of these discredited opportunists who are now, together with their American cousins of the SWP, falling all over themselves to support the Gdansk Accords and Walesa.

We are going to build the revolutionary party in Poland against these Accords and their defenders.

October 20, 1980

Down with the Gang of Deng!

The most recent news from China is that the Stalinist bureaucracy (more exactly, its dominant faction led by Deng Xiaoping) is going to place the famous so-called "gang of four," as well as a grouping Deng calls the "Lin Biao clique," on trial — on trial for their lives.

The Fourth International doesn't give a tinker's damn for Jiang Qing, Mao's widow, or for the other members of the "gang" and the "clique." They are indeed a vicious bunch of criminals, enemies of the working class and all the oppressed. Wang Hongwen, the youngest of the "gang," started his rise to power by breaking the Shanghai general strike during the "Cultural Revolution."

The crimes of the "gang" and the "clique," according to Deng and his pals, are centered around this period of the "Cultural Revolution."

Deng Xiaoping and his mentor, the recently "rehabilitated" (posthumously) Liu Shaochi, were hated by the Chinese workers, especially the youth, for their brutality, for their distortion and betrayal of the gains of the Chinese Revolution.

Mao tried to DIVERT this hatred of Stalinism into an attack on one section of the bureaucracy, to make it into a scapegoat for the bureaucracy as a whole and thus to preserve Stalinist rule.

But the "Cultural Revolution" got out of control and threatened to overturn the bureaucratic gang as a whole. That is why Wang Hongwen gained power. That is why Lin Biao, the head of the army, gained power. They were used by Mao to crush the youth and the workers.

Now the shoe is on the other foot; but it pinches just as much. Once again, the Chinese masses are striving to defend their revolution. Once again, the bureaucracy seeks to divert this hatred of Stalinism against its "out" faction, justly hated though it is.

The trial of the "gang" and the "clique" is a maneuver against the political revolution. Its chief instigator, Deng himself, is the architect of the attacks on the oppositionists, especially the banning of wall posters, as part of this attack.

Deng (whom the pseudo-Trotskyist SWP said two years ago was a "democratizer"), has a great deal to fear.

In 1957, during the "hundred flowers," whose hangman was Deng Xiaoping, Lin Xiling (her fate remains unknown), cried out: "Let us get united! The Hungarian people's blood has not been shed in vain." Today, the Polish workers have not fought in vain.

The revolution is growing internationally. The example of Poland can only inspire the Chinese masses.

NO SCAPEGOATS!
DOWN WITH THE GANG — OF DENG!

FORWARD TO THE POLITICAL REVOLUTION!

October 19, 1980

K.F.

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Organ of the Revolutionary Workers League of Poland

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Bolivia: SWP & OCI Counting on Carter For a Workers Boycott

By MARGARET GUTTSALL

INTERCONTINENTAL PRESS/INPRECOR (October 20), unavowed journal of the U.S. Socialist Workers Party and the United Secretariat, says that Carter's withdrawal of aid to the fascist junta in Bolivia has had a "catastrophic" effect and calls for "campaigns by the international workers movement in solidarity with the Bolivian people" to develop this situation.

It says that Carter's policy of "human rights," "democratic opening," "institutionalization of the dictatorships," etc., "... however limited it might be, makes it possible for the workers and the exploited layers to remobilize, to reorganize and to regain their strength."

It says that the coup was inspired by the Reagan campaign, may be just the first of a series, is aimed at putting an end to the Carter policy in the Southern Cone of Latin America, and it calls on the Bolivian workers to stop this "sinister objective."

No wonder the SWP responded negatively to the Revolutionary Youth International's call for a workers boycott to bring down the Bolivian junta and all the dictatorships in Latin America! It is counting on American democracy and its leader, Jimmy Carter. And while it never mentions the Kremlin or Castro, it is obviously counting on them too, as they have been the Carter policy's biggest supporters in Latin America.

The SWP is not the only one with this perspective. The French Organisation Communiste Internationaliste (OCI) has issued a call to all governments which claim to be democratic to recognize the Bolivian Popular Front, led in exile by Siles Zuazo, composed of the bourgeois MNR and the Social Democratic and Stalinist parties.

Our fight for a workers boycott of the Latin American dictatorships, in opposition to this policy of pressuring the democracies, is not a fight over tactics. A workers boycott is the only way to develop a massive and independent struggle against the Latin American dictatorships. And it is only in such a struggle that the working class can really become conscious of itself, its role and its power, can test programs and leaderships and build its own

organs of workers democracy, of workers power, to destroy and replace the dictatorships.

The SWP and OCI's policy is directed against ANY such independent and massive struggle. At this point nobody can mobilize masses of workers behind the politics of pressuring the U.S. and the Kremlin not to aid the fascists, to maintain the "democratic opening"; still less behind the politics of Carterism versus Reaganism, or behind Siles Zuazo. Carter, the Kremlin, Kennedy and Castro have been trying for four years. Dozens of opportunists have pitched in in the last four weeks. But to no avail. The workers have heard it before and they're not going to buy it this time.

Thus, the only real effect of the SWP and OCI's policy can be to demoralize the working class, make it feel that it has no road, that all parties are the same, precisely at a moment when the opposite has proven true. The working class, even in Bolivia, is the only class that has accomplished anything, the only class with a future, with a program and a party with a future.

INTERCONTINENTAL PRESS/INPRECOR says that it is Carter's isolation of the junta that is "strangling" it. That's a lie.

The difficulties that it is encountering are a result of the world revolution. Poland! U.S. banks agreed to extend their loans to the junta. The IMF has given it \$17 million dollars. And the Kremlin has agreed to develop new economic programs with Bolivia!

The SWP says Carter's policy provided an opening for the working class. That too is a lie.

The working class was in full mobilization against an attempted fascist coup last fall when Carter, the Kremlin, Siles Zuazo, and Lechin called on them to end this mobilization and to participate in the preparation of democratic elections. And the workers began to fight this coup as well, before Siles Zuazo and Lechin issued calls to stop: so as not to "degrade the democratic process."

In fact, Garcia Meza's coup wasn't

aimed at putting an end to Carter's policy in the Southern Cone because this policy provided the working class with an opening. It was aimed at putting an end to the revolution and the working class mobilization in the Southern Cone which Carter's policy was no longer able to do.

Garcia Meza is afraid of the revolution and its class. He wanted to cut short THIS process before it became fully conscious of itself and prepared to destroy the bourgeois state and its crisis-stricken gorillas.

This revolutionary and working class mobilization was expressed concretely in the general strike, the search for an alternative to Siles Zuazo and Co., the massive abstention in the absence of such an alternative, the attempts of the workers to prepare themselves to confront the fascists, and above all in the formation of the Committees for the Reconstruction of the Bolivian Section of the Fourth International.

If the revolution was not knocking at the door, why the open conflict in the leading circles of imperialism? But for IP/I the working class does not exist as an independent force, just as a passive spectator, reduced to siding with one faction of imperialism or another.

The OCI defends its call to the bourgeois democracies to recognize the Popular Front-in-exile by citing Trotsky's unconditional support for the military victory of the Popular Front over the fascists in the civil war in Spain. But there is no civil war in Bolivia! Siles Zuazo and Co. are opposed to it! Supposedly, it would cost the Bolivian people too much! (LE MONDE, No. 1658). This falsification is aimed at forcing this perspective on the working class. And even if there were a civil war, Trotskyists wouldn't issue calls to recognize the Popular Front or to dissolve the working class into it.

Trotskyists march shoulder to shoulder with democrats in confrontations with fascists. But the future for the working class lies in its independence, in the construction of the party of this independence. This is the struggle of the Trotskyists in the U.S. and Bolivia!

October 20, 1980

Madrid: "Security" Against the Revolution

U.S. imperialism's and Stalinism's Conference on European Security is marked by even more desperate attempts to maintain their world order against the rise of the workers revolution.

A day after the Conference convened in Madrid in mid-September, the military took over in Turkey, outlawed unions, banned free association, arrested at least 15,000 people and sent thousands of striking workers back to work.

Immediately following the coup, the bourgeois democratic press in the U.S., leader of the "free world," hailed this coup as a model as a "gentle," "bloodless coup."

The NEW YORK TIMES said: "... the military felt obliged to intervene," that their objective "is to restore Turkish democracy to firm foundations." One paper even acknowledged U.S./NATO prior approval of the coup.

The Kremlin first protested the coup, then fell silent, then reaffirmed its intention not to let this coup get in the way of its "good relations" with Turkey.

This coup was then, of course, immediately followed by Iraq's attack on Iran. The U.S. and the Kremlin, incapable of openly attacking the revolution in Iran, are trying to do so through the back door by encircling it. Students in Greece demonstrated in the thousands exposing this plot.

In Chile, Pinochet organized a referendum on his regime in which workers were obligated by law to vote yes or no to nine more years of fascism. After voting, workers had their hands stamped, and anyone without such a stamp was subject to arrest.

This farce too was hailed by the U.S. press as a step forward toward democracy and the Stalinist party in Chile called on workers to participate in it, to vote no.

A similar referendum is being prepared in Uruguay.

U.S. youth and workers have nothing to gain from this type of security, this type of democracy. It's the security and democracy of tyrants and murderers.

Nor do they have anything to gain from simply protesting U.S. violence against the peoples of other countries for the umpteenth time.

Youth and workers who are opposed to this security and this democracy must unify with those of other countries and decide what they're going to do, map out a plan for their security and their democracy, to put an end to the crisis-stricken order of imperialism and Stalinism.

U.S. BASES OUT OF TURKEY!
DOWN WITH NATO!
BOYCOTT THE BOSSES WORLD SECURITY CONFERENCE!
ON TO THE WORLD WORKERS CONFERENCE!
October 21, 1980
M.G.

Anti-Semitism: Weapon of the Terrorist State

The rise of anti-Semitism in Europe, shown in the bombing of a Paris synagogue on October 3, is part of a general resurgence of fascist movements in Europe. The last few months have also seen fascist bombings in Munich and Bologna.

The rise of anti-Semitism proves once again that this old order of imperialism and Stalinism cannot survive without unleashing racial and national hatred. The death of six million Jews during World War II, due not only to Nazi terror but also to the active collaboration of the French and Italian bourgeoisie and the complicit silence of U.S. imperialism, was not enough. Once again the European bourgeoisie must unleash anti-Semitism in order to find a scapegoat for the decay of its society.

No one doubts that these movements are actively promoted by the terrorist states. Not only was the Giscard government complicitly silent in face of the

growing attacks against Jews, but the ranks of these fascist organizations include many French police. The "anti-terrorist" police, ordered to hunt down revolutionary workers and youth, and the anti-Semites are one and the same. The "anti-terrorist" of the bourgeoisie and anti-Semitism go together — this is part of the preparation of the Madrid Conference on Security and Cooperation.

The Fourth International declares an uncompromising struggle against anti-Semitism. Our Program states: "An uncompromising disclosure of the roots of race prejudice and all forms and shades of national arrogance and chauvinism, particularly anti-Semitism, should become part of the daily work of all sections of the Fourth International."

For Jews their only trusted allies in this fight are the workers and the oppressed. Anti-Semitism is a weapon of imperialism. Jews must reject any

illusion that the fight against anti-Semitism and the defense of Israel, imperialism's client state, are one and the same.

On the contrary — Zionism and anti-Semitism are compatible; historically they have existed and collaborated together. One only need examine Menachem Begin's role in suppressing the Warsaw ghetto uprising during World War II in the service of the Nazis as proof of this. Israel exists today as a barrier to the revolution in the Middle East and as a barrier to Jews' finding their true allies in the revolutionary workers and oppressed throughout the world, the only possible means to fight anti-Semitism.

Historical experience has proven this for Jews. Their fate and the revolution are inseparable and every effort must be made to draw them into this struggle.

October 18, 1980
TRUTH

TRUTH

Defend Free Speech, Fight for Workers Democracy!

The last issue of TRUTH announced that two of its distributors had been arrested at Wayne County Community College (WCCC) on the night of September 30. The charges were "disorderly conduct."

These arrests tell us a lot about the nature of the democracy that exists in this country, and about the fight that has to be made against it — for Workers Democracy.

What does the "disorderly conduct" of the TRUTH distributors consist in (leaving aside the fact that the cops couldn't decide on the charges of which we were "guilty" until an hour after the arrest)?

The initial complaint of the WCCC administration was that we were selling on private property. But there is no trespassing charge against us.

In fact, the "disorderly conduct" charge speaks explicitly of "creating an improper diversion IN A PUBLIC PLACE" (our emphasis).

In reality, our crime consisted of selling our newspaper as a means of fighting for a Workers Candidate in these elections, for Workers Democracy, for a Workers Party.

That is, our "disorderly conduct" consisted of exercising our first amendment rights to free expression of our political views. That this is precisely what the WCCC administration and the capitalist state objected to is made clear by the fact that the cops confiscated the copies of TRUTH which we were selling as "evidentiary materials."

Now, here's the contradiction. The bourgeois democratic state tells us — endlessly — about all the rights we have. But when the militants of the working class seek to exercise these rights in the interest of the working class they are attacked by the agents of this same bourgeois democratic state.

The solution to the contradiction lies in this. The bourgeois democratic state has never given anyone their rights. These rights have had to be TAKEN, to be WON, in great mass struggles against the bourgeois state and its democracy — that is, its CLASS RULE.

Even the most democratic bourgeois state, like that in the U.S., is a TERRORIST STATE in terms of the workers, the oppressed, the minorities.

Free speech itself, our "Constitutional right," had to be won as part of the Bill of Rights, the first ten AMENDMENTS to the Constitution written by the new capitalist class in the United States, a Constitution which recognized NO rights, a Constitution which recognized only black slavery.

These rights had to be won in struggle by the small farmers, the urban artisans and laborers. The capitalist state has never given us ANY rights.

It had to have the right for all white adult males to have the vote taken from it, along with the extension of the vote to blacks (which only became a reality a decade ago), to women, to youth of 18.

The bourgeois democratic state

"freed" the black slaves only under the pressure of the abolitionist movement and its fear of the slaveholders' rebellion. And it took black troops to finally spell the end of the Confederacy.

The labor movement in this country has never been given any rights by the terrorist state. It was denied even the right to exist, being viewed by the capitalist system of justice as a "conspiracy in restraint of trade."

Striking workers were — and are to this day — subject to the full persecution of the terrorist state, to the point of being shot down in the street.

Bourgeois democracy means democratic rights for the masses only to the extent that the masses have TAKEN and fiercely DEFENDED these rights.

That is why we counterpose to bourgeois democracy the fight for WORKERS DEMOCRACY — the fight for the rule of the workers, for the destruction of bourgeois democracy and its terrorist state.

Workers Democracy alone can guarantee the rights that the workers have won, alone can stop the unceasing attacks on these rights.

That is why it is not all accidental that we were arrested precisely because we were fighting for Workers Democracy. You can be sure if someone had been distributing materials at WCCC for bourgeois democracy, for a bourgeois candidate — Reagan or Carter or Anderson — there would have been no arrests. There would have been no charges of "disorderly conduct," pure HARASSMENT charges directed against the democratic rights of the workers.

We propose to continue our fight for Workers Democracy by demonstrating in this struggle against the arrests of the TRUTH distributors that it is only the working class that can really defend democratic rights, that can really defend free speech. On this basis, we can make a real advance toward winning workers and youth to the fight for Workers Democracy.

Cases like ours often call for "defense campaigns." And we are indeed defending ourselves. But we agree fully that "the best defense is a good offense." In defending free speech and democratic rights we are going on the offensive for Workers Democracy.

We are taking a page from history of one of the great organizations of the American working class, the Industrial Workers of the World (IWW). In the early years of this century, the IWW made a great contribution to the defense of the democratic rights of the workers.

The IWW was a revolutionary union, an organization whose very life, whose growth, depended upon the ability to openly organize, to have free speech. As part of the attack on this workers organization, the terrorist state tried to prevent the IWW from holding meetings and from selling its publications.

The IWW began a series of "free speech fights." Hundreds of militants from all over the country came to the defense of their organization in city after city. They were arrested again and again for exercising their rights. They filled the jails They could not be stopped. AND

THEY WON!

If, perhaps, the fight for free speech today will not reach such heights, this is not due to the generosity of the bourgeois state but to the fact that the IWW made a change in the consciousness of the working class, a change in the class relationship of forces, that the bourgeois state has never been able to reverse.

We call, nonetheless, for the revival of the spirit of such free speech fights today, to carry forward the victory of the IWW into the victory of Workers Democracy.

Jimmy Carter, our "human rights" racist president, has seemingly worked out his "presidential" speech, according to the bourgeois columnists. This speech declares that, "we" (the bourgeoisie) "gave blacks and other minorities equal rights."

What a brazen lie! The equal rights that blacks have — to the extent that they have them — were never "given." The only thing a cracker like Carter gave blacks was poverty, firehoses, billy-clubs and bullets. The rights that blacks have were won in the streets of Montgomery and Birmingham, Detroit and Harlem.

But this speech shows that the bourgeoisie is not satisfied to attack rights directly. It tries to attack the meaning of these rights; most of all, the consciousness that these rights were never condescendingly given by some generous master but were CONQUERED, were won in battle.

That is what is at stake in the fight that we are calling the workers organizations, the workers and the youth, to in defending free speech and the TRUTH distributors.

We are for defeating immediately this attack on our democratic rights. We demand the dropping of the charges. But by itself this would be a small and conjunctural victory.

But if, in this struggle, we can awaken the determination of the working class to defend its rights, awaken the energy of the working class to safeguard these rights through a fight for its own power, that will mark a major victory for the workers

movement, for its party, and a real defeat for the terrorist state and its bourgeois democracy.

DROP THE CHARGES AGAINST THE TRUTH DISTRIBUTORS! DEFEND FREE SPEECH! FORWARD TO WORKERS DEMOCRACY!

TRUTH
October 21, 1980

Free Speech Results

Where are we in the struggle against the arrest of the TRUTH distributors?

A lawyer has been obtained and we have passed through arraignment, etc., and have now been assigned a pre-trial hearing date of December 15. It is our intention to have these charges dropped by this time.

As the article above points out, however, such a fight is not primarily a legal one. It is above all POLITICAL. It is a question of the defense of the hard-earned democratic rights of the workers and oppressed.

In this sense, the victory in this case depends not so much on legal motions, etc., as it does on the movement of the working class, on the mobilization of everyone who has a stake in this fight.

A letter is being sent to student organizations, unions and teachers' groups at Wayne County Community College, as well as Wayne State University, calling upon them to resist this attack on democratic rights by the WCCC administration.

Besides this, we are seeking statements of support from other organizations and individuals. We also need financial contributions — capitalist justice runs high.

In this area, we have already received a number of pledges from workers, including a donation of ten dollars from a worker who is also a student at WCCC.

Send your statements and contributions c/o IYG, Box 13, Rm. 211, Student Center Building, Wayne State University, Detroit.

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