Threatening women's fundamental right to abortion, the U.S. Supreme Court July 3 restored a reactionary Missouri law forbidding use of public funding or facilities to perform abortions. Although of several state laws being appealed the Missouri case presented the narrowest conflict with Roe v. Wade, the 1973 ruling that legalized abortion nationwide, this decision marks a watershed. For months, "pro-choice" defenders of abortion and "pro-life" bigots have faced off at clinic doors around the country. Now the previously deadlocked court has thrown the door open for anti-woman reactions to restrict abortion rights in every way. The high court has agreed to hear three more abortion cases in October—practically begging for that "perfect" case to criminalize women and doctors for ending unwanted pregnancies. In an eloquent dissent, Justice Harry Blackmun, who authored Roe v. Wade, declared:

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Stop Expulsions of Turks from Bulgaria!

Commemorating the French Revolution
July 14 marks the 200th anniversary of the fall of the Bastille fortress-prison, which was opening shot of the French Revolution, the greatest of the bourgeois-democratic revolutions. Reporting on 1845 celebration of the founding of the French Republic of 1792, the young Karl Marx noted that the French Revolution had inspired the international communist movement, which alone could make the principles of “liberty, equality and fraternity” a reality throughout the world.

Despite the fact of the French Revolution having been “superseded,” the Communes of all countries are fully justified in celebrating it. Firstly, all the nations which were stupid enough to let themselves be used to fight against the Revolution have owed the French a public apology ever since they realized what a mockery of this tradition you forcibly expel thousands into the hands of the reactionary Oul government—jailers and torturers of Communist Party leaders Kutlu and Sargin, butchers of the town of Fatsa and of countless Kurds. The moral authority among the international working class won by Lenin’s Bolshevism was vital to defend the young workers state from the assaults of world imperialism. Decades of Stalinist betrayals have imperiled the defense of Bulgaria and all the deformed workers states from capitalist counterrevolution.”

On May 3 the Louisiana Pardon Board accepted Gary Tyler’s application for a hearing. Tyler, who has spent 15 years in a Southern prison hellhole, convicted in a racist frame-up so blatant that a federal appeals panel declared the trial unfair. Yet, this country’s racist rulers are refusing to let Gary Tyler, this victim of racist injustice, walk out a free man. Tyler was arrested 7 October 1974 after he and 60 other black students, aboard a school bus on the way to a recently desegregated high school outside New Orleans, were attacked by 300 KKK-organized thugs. A gunshot fired continued on page 3

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Women Miners Say Shut Down the Coal Fields Now!

Over 43,000 coal miners—half of United Mine Workers (UMW) members across the country—have walked out in sympathy with miners engaged in a tough strike against the union-busting Pittston Coal Group. With 20 percent of total coal production shut down, and some utilities caught with low stocks, the bosses ran to President Richard Trumka and said, "Back to work!"

But the full membership, which was dissolved after later renaming, has refused to recognize the union. On April 30 he fired 100 workers, including stewards, in retaliation for holding a union meeting.

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Mine workers "march for justice" in Charleston, West Virginia, June 11. Next day strikes spread throughout Appalachian coal fields.

Union Victory at Tavern on the Green

Waiters, busboys and dishwashers who struck NYC's swank Tavern on the Green held out for eight weeks and won big against restaurant owner and Ed Koch crony Warner LeRoy on June 21. The heavily Hispanic and black strikers had joined Hotel and Restaurant Union Local 6 last January, LeRoy, who makes over $32 million a year at the Tavern on the Green, refused to recognize the union. On April 30 he fired 100 workers, including stewards, in retaliation for holding a union meeting.

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In May, 1,300 nurses struck St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital in Manhattan. They were fighting for higher staffing levels, which at times have been as low as one nurse for every 40 patients. The hospital is being run by the hospitals to submit staffing disputes to non-binding arbitration. With many foreign-born nurses on strike, the NYC hospital bosses expected to use racial and national divisions to crack their solidarity. But the strikers were solid on the picket line.

During the strike, members of Hospital Workers Local 1199, representing the non-nursing staff at the two hospitals, knew that their place was on the line with the nurses. In June, 1199 fired the window washers bringing out the union in solidarity with the nurses, bid behind their "legal obligation" to give the hospital bosses ten days notice before honoring the picket lines. James Boyd, a supporter of Progressive Labor/International Committee Against Racism (PL/InCAR) and member of 1199 at St. Luke's-Roosevelt, distributed a leaflet blasting the 1199 top and calling on 1199 members to honor the lines ... and then he went in to work! When challenged by a striker, Boyd said, "I can't take too much of this working as a scab."

According to an InCAR leaflet, after scabbing for three days, Boyd declared: "The picket line had become unbearable. He walked into the boss's office, threw up his hands in disgust, and said, I cross the picket line no longer! For his blatant recognition of elementary working-class principle Boyd has been targeted by the hospital, and is appealing to hospital workers to defend him, as they should. We might add, if this had been a coal miners strike, it would have become "unbearable" the first time PL tried to walk across the class line. As the Socialist League has insisted: Picket lines mean don't cross!"
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June 20—To put it bluntly, the Hong Kong left, at least those who proclaim some sort of allegiance to Trotskyism, do not impress. I have now talked to each of the three ostensible Trotsky-ist groupings. They are October Review (also known as the Revolutionary Communist Party), the Revolutionary Marxists League and the New Sprout groupings. I can't help but conclude that they are all (each in their own separate way) trapped within a framework that confines them to be nothing more than the left wing of a thoroughly wretched liberal-bourgeois popular-front alliance called the Hong Kong Alliance. Support of the Patriotic and Demo- cratic Movement in China, which in- cludes everything from business groups to church and student groups. OR and the RML exist within the Alliance under the name of a propa- ganda bloc, coalition formed of various Action Group. The New Sprout claim to participate under their own name. This horrified me in the week as I was reading about just the Alliance in the media and concluded that it would be the very thing a revolutionary would

Hong Kong capitalists as much as it does the Chinese government which, arguably, believes that a strong independent union movement could be the foundation for social and national content and upset the "stability and unity" of the colony which is of such great importance to China's economic development.

The Federation of Trade Unions has a membership around 180,000. They are

Hong Kong demonstration against hardline China premier Li Peng. June 4th Beijing massacre of workers and students threatens to upset partnership between Chinese Stalinist bureaucracy and British imperialism.}

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June 29—While Hong Kong's fake-left are busy swimming around in the pud- dles of the Alliance, there is a real potent force in Hong Kong which could rad- icalise the situation of things here. It is Hong Kong's very strategically placed workers movement. There is a certain amount of paranoia as the Hong Kong's major unions is pro-Beijing. All the indications are that they are in- volved in an intra-capitalist crisis as a result of the events on the mainland. The news that has been coming from China indicates that there have been very significant developments occurring amongst China's working class that have effectively made her a political force. Most strikes [in the past few years] seem to have been occurring in the Shenzen Special Economic Zone, located just across the border from Hong Kong. There is one example which I thought was quite revealing. A mass- owned toy factory fired a worker for organising a strike of 30 female workers who are not having to work four to six extra hours a day, including Sundays.

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Abortion... (continued from page 1)

signs are evident and very ominous, and a chill will settle on your soul.

The "chill wind" is blowing right into the sails of the deadly abortion clinic known as "Operation Rescue," hordes of clinic invaders, who will now redouble their attacks. Hours before I was due to leave, the Court decision, arsonists set fire to a New Hampshire clinic. White House chief of staff John Sununu has promised that federal funds will be withheld from state laws punishing doctors who perform abortions and a conservative amendment is banning abortion. A slew of proposed legislation would hammer away at abortion rights with a barrage of restrictions and limitations—lengthy waiting periods, "parental consent" for young women, bans on public funding, medial stric-
tures for doctors performing abortions, licensing rules making it nearly impos-
sible to set up an abortion facility.

The Missouri law virtually elimi-
nates hospital abortions. Well aware that this will fall most heavily on the poor, the Court crassly declared that there is "no affirmative right to govern-
mental aid, even where such aid may be
necessary to secure life." "Drop dead!" is their message to working-class and minority women who need public funding and facili-
ties for any decent medical care in this medicine-for-profit society. But this didn't just start with the Reagan
gar years. In 1976 Congress passed the Hyde Amendment banning all federal

Medicaid funding for abortions, while born-again Democrat Jimmy Carter callously intoned: "There are many things in life which are not fair." And last fall, Democrats and Republicans in Congress reconfirmed the ban on Medicaid-funded abortions.

Capitalist "democracy" means wom-
en have only the "rights" they can afford to buy, including the "right" to an abortion—for now. But what does that mean to an unemployed black or His-
panic woman, to a young teenager in the Deep South or even in Scarsdale, to any
woman or girl who's gotten "in trou-
ble," needs an abortion, and can't afford to pay private doctors' high prices or
hop a jet to a more liberal state? It means more unwanted babies, more misery,
more desperate attempts at self-induced abortions and deadly back-alley butch-
ery. For free abortion on demand! For
free, quality health care!

The government has no business med-
dling in this deeply private sphere of life. In fact this reactionary ruling danger-
ously threatens the right of privacy for us all, opening the door to draconian laws who even want to outlaw birth control methods such as the IUD. The bigots have already effectively stopped the distribution of the French abortion-inducing drug RU 486, which would make abortion a genuine private act, requiring only a prescription from a doctor. These bible-thumping bigots echo Hitler in declaring that women's affairs must be tied to "Kinder-Küche-Kirche" (children, kitchen, church). As Chief Justice Rehnquist has proclaimed an ominous opened-ended and totalitarian standard, which whether "reasonable" or not furthers the State's interest in protect-
ing potential human life"—which would supersede the right of any woman.

Now the "Right to Life" are foating

that a "new era is dawning" for them. Skipping down the Supreme Court steps, Operation Rescue leader Randall Terry called for millions of bigots to surround abortion clinics across the country. More than ever, the battle to defend abortion is an urgent one.

There must be mass mobiliza-
tions of women, minorities and the poor to keep the clinic doors open. In recent months, abortion rights defenders in cities from Los Angeles to Boston have for the first time outnumbered the abortion bigots in the streets. But the bourgeois femi-

nists of the war and NAIR have stood opposed to clinic defense, pathetically calling on the racist cops to "enforce the law" and "defend women's rights.

The Supreme Court ruled first on the narrow Missouri challenge because it knows how explosive the abortion issue is. Less than three months ago, hun-
dreds of thousands marched in Wash-
ington in support of abortion rights. Repeatedly, opinion polls have reported that, whatever they think of abortion, three out of four Americans think it a decision each woman should make for herself. Faced with the Supreme Court's ruling there will be a barrage of parochial lobbying of state legislatures, while NOW and NAIR, try to elude more Democrats in the 1986 elections. But women's fundamental rights can never be guaranteed in the high and low courts and legislatures of this capitalist soci-
ety. As history demonstrates, laws are merely a reflection of the relation of class forces.

The defense of the most basic rights, from abortion to public education or a roof over your head, requires the fight for socialism. For genuine revolution through socialist revolution.
In Dershowitz' entire survey of the "left" on China, the only statement he makes which has any bearing to reality is about the Marcyite Workers World, which did in fact echo the Beijing bureaucracy's lies. The Los Angeles Times received a barrage of letters about this frame-up and on 17 June printed a "clarification" on the real position of the National Lawyers Guild for the manifold ways in which Dershowitz lies about the NLG, William Kunstler, Noam Chomsky, the PLO, the Nation, etc., etc., we refer readers to a piece in the Nation (10 July) by Alexander Cockburn on "The Lies of Alan Dershowitz." As Cockburn observes, quoting excerpts from Dershowitz, "This is probably as concentrated a number of lies in sixteen lines as in any piece of journalism in recent memory.

Why the Lies?

So Alan Morton Dershowitz is a lawyer who lies, or a nautical combination. But why lie about the left's line on China? Mr. Dershowitz has, to cop a phrase from the circles in which he travels, a hidden agenda. A curious sentence from his column is a tip-off: "The Palestine Liberation Organization, which does not hesitate to intrude into the internal affairs of Israel by violence, refused to take sides on the Chinese massacre," he writes. The PLO "intrudes" in a country where Palestinian Arabs have lived for centuries, where they are today oppressed as second-class citizens or as stateless victims of an occupation army? This is the language of the Israeli government—whose own silence on China, by the way, is conspicuously neglected by Dershowitz. You want to compare positions about the Beijing massacre, counsellor? Jerusalem's very real silence have something to do with the fact that Israel is one of the major arms suppliers to the Chinese Stalinists, as part of underwriting how they were "silent" on the Beijing massacre. Dr. Goebbels called this the Big Lie. Dershowitz wants to claim the Spartacist League and others conditioned the Beijing massacre. Now, we are prepared to put up a sophisticated stand in defense of historic gains of the working class. We solidarize with the Bolshevik supporters of the anti-Communist Kronstadt garrison mutiny in 1921, whose victory would have led to the bloody overthrow of the soviets in Poland in 1921, when CIA-financed Solidarnosc consolidated around a program of capitalist restoration and prepared for power, we raised the call "Stop Solidarnosc Counterrevolution!" But the recent events in China were very different.

The million protesters who thronged into Tiananmen Square were politically all over the map. An avalanche of confusion, ambiguities and illusions. The imperialist press tried to paint the protest as a "unanimous" movement by the Chinese workers then set forth by, for example, falsely identifying the "godless of democracy" statue as simply a replica of the Liberty of Liberty. But the thrust of their protest, and particularly on the part of the working class, went in the opposite direction from that desired by the ideologies of imperialism. The Chinese masses have already had a good dose of state-level capitalism together with an authoritarian state, and they don't like it. They were expressing dissatisfaction with a ruling bureaucratic caste which was undermining the anti-Communist Chinese Revolution, which from its inception denied the working people anything less than a real socialist anarchist, the Internationale, even as they marched out of the square. The police and tanks are not seeking to restore capitalism.

Some "Civil Libertarian!"

Dershowitz is a Zionist, all right, but with his own special relationship to the Israeli state. He sits on the New England Regional Executive Committee of the Anti-Demfaion League of B'nai B'rith, whose name would more accurately reflect the real interests if the word "anti" were excised. In 1983 the ADL honored Dershowitz with its William O. Douglas First Amendment Award for his "compassionate eloquent leadership and persistent advocacy in the struggle for civil and human rights." This "persuasive advocacy" has manifested itself in a peculiarly discriminating manner. Led's take a look at the people he defends, a pretty curious assortment for a "civil libertarian!"

Exhibit A. Dershowitz was the U.S. attorney for Anatoly (now Nathan) Shcharansky since 1977, a key role in engineering the swap which got Shcharansky and three other Western spies released from the Soviet gulag in exchange for five Soviet bloc agents held by the West. His client was "not a spy but a human rights activist," claimed Dershowitz. But this "humanrights activist" happened to be a Soviet counterintelligence program of the KGB, as one American official admitted to Newsweek (24 July 1978). "What Shcharansky did, in effect, was prove that Los Angeles Times correspondent Robert Toth is a list of secret defense officials." The U.S. military attached an agent to track down Shcharansky, seeking him for his "cooperation" and passing on praise from the head of the Pentagon's Defense Intelligence Agency. As we said then, "Shcharansky Is Guilty as Hell!" (WY No. 212, 28 July 1978). Exhibit B. In his article on the swap, Dershowitz let the cat out of the bag when he wrote: "But spying is wrong only when it is committed against one's own country." This brings us to the curious case of Jonathan Jay Pollard. This American Jew worked for the Defense Intelligence Agency and his "collective punishment" of an entire village for a stone thrown by a teenage kid, the torture chambers and concentra tion camps like Anjar III in the Gaza Strip, you're supposed to "remember"
American Zionists. Even such hard-core apologists for the Israeli state as Reuveni William Safire were outraged: "Israel's friends—especially Jewish Americans who have been doubly betrayed by an Israeli operation paying a Jew to be a traitor—are not merely dismayed, but justifiably furious." (New York Times, 6 June 1986).

But not Alan Dershowitz. Dershowitz not only agreed to appeal Pollard’s sentence but boasted on the Morton Downey TV show “Lawyers vs. Lawyers” that he did so “very proudly.” One of my favorite cases.” Dershowitz continued:

“I am defending a man who tried very hard in a misguided way to help a country that he strongly believed in... He gave them the targets for the PLO headquarters and allowed Israel to pinpoint bomb some of those killers who were trying to kill Americans... And my brother and I are very proudly representing them, not trying to get them off, not trying to get their sentence reduced to what they would have gotten if they had spied for the Russians.”

“Misguided”? But Dershowitz falsely and stupidly says spying’s bad only if it’s against “one’s own country.” And Pollard certainly knew what he was doing and which was his “own country.” “It’s not that I’m a martyr, just that I understand that there are some moments when an individual has to place the interests of his state ahead of himself” (quoted in Wolf Blitzer, ‘Territorial Lies’ [1989]).

Exhibit C. And what about courageous Israeli nuclear technician Mordechai Vanunu, who exposed to the world the scope of Israel’s nuclear doomsday machine— including 200 A-bombs? For this service to humanity, Vanunu is languishing in an Israeli dungeon for 18 years.

His appeal began in May—behind closed doors.

Hatchet Jobs for Israeli Secret Police

Now let’s look at a list of some of the people that Alan Dershowitz doesn’t defend.

Exhibit G. Take the case of Fouzi el-Asmar, a Palestinian poet and civil libertarian of Israeli citizenship who was thrown into prison by the Zionist regime in 1969 without trial. In a December 1980 article in Commentary (reprinted in Irving Howe and Carl Gershman, eds., Israel, the Arabs and the Middle East [1972]), Dershowitz wrote: “Having served a year in prison for self-confessed Israeli espionage” (below) and kidnaped by the Israeli Secret Police...”

Palestinian Sami Esmail (above) and Israeli nuclear technician Mordechai Vanunu (being gagged at right), both kidnapped by Zionist secret police.

Dershowitz “proudly” defended Israeli spy in U.S. government Journalist Jonathan Pollard (left), as well as Israeli-American fascist terrorist Meir Kahane (center) and Natan Sharansky, who passed Soviet defense secrets to U.S.

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the Trotskyist Spartacist League in a different, and sinister, light.

ADL Lawyers For Klan/Nazi “Right” To Genocide

Dershowitz’ China diatribe was not our first run-in with the self-styled “civil libertarian.” Last fall, on the eve of the November 5 labor/black mobilization initiated by the Partisan Defense Committee, which sparked a threatened Klan/Nazi skinshead provocation in Philadelphia, Dershowitz went on WHRB radio with the deliberate smear committee, which spiked a “threatened Klan/KKK fascist mob” mobilization which stopped the Klan from demonstrating in Philadelphia, November 1986.

Dershowitz redacted PDC-initiated labor/black mobilization which stopped the Klan from demonstrating in Philadelphia, November 1986.

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Dershowitz issued a 1988 “report” on the American Radical Left. Today declaring that the far left poses a different kind of danger than the ultraright, but one that must “not be overlooked or minimized.” Klieger’s “agenda” is to boost the Zionist establishment, condemning “the radical left” which seeks to stop the fascist threat. Some of which our office had exclusively received.” Nor is this the first known instance of “shared information” with the agencies of state repression.

In a letter to the San Francisco police, dated February 12, 1985, the ADL expressed “the hope we will be able to continue working on the Spartacist agenda.”

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Dershowitz says that but for the support of anti-Klan activists, the ADL might not exist today. It is certainly true that despite our relatively small forces, the Spartan League has been able to bring together reds and blacks and labor in effective anti-Klan actions. And this was noticed in many places. But for the existence of the SL, there would have been no integrated, labor-centered anti-Klan mobilizations.

So let’s take the ADL at its word: they want to let the Klan have its way. Why do they plan to do this? Cross-burnings, lynchings, race terror: that’s what the Klan does. Could be it that those rulers—acting through their operatives here—want a tendency toward race war in this country? Could it be that the Spartan League stands as an obstacle to a major Israeli foreign policy objective?

In their expansionist drive for a Greater Israel stretching from the Euphrates to the Nile, the Zionists have made enemies of the entire Arab world. They rule with an iron heel over a hostile internal population of more than two million Arab Palestinians. The 18-month-long intifada has sharply polarized Israeli Jewish society, driving significant sections to openly contemplate future population reduction through outright genocide. And Israeli rulers are livid about the pressure they are getting from the American government and American Jews.

Perhaps the masters of the Zionist state would like to bring an intifada in the U.S. in the hope that that would drive the American bourgeoisie closer to them. Or maybe they are fully aware that if the predominately Christian white population in this country consolidates around right-wing racism, anti-Semitism will rise. But in the minds of these demented and frenzied nationalists, there’s a fear that this won’t reach the point of the Nazi’s Nuremberg laws, that’s the price American Jews should pay for remaining in the diaspora instead of going “home” to the Zionist garrison state.

For years, the Zionist establishment in this country has increasingly sought to egg on and provoke black nationalist demagogues like Louis Farrakhan. NYC mayor Ed Koch talked of “justifiable rage” in an attempt to incite a riot when Farrakhan spoke at Madison Square Garden in 1985. Koch acts as though all black people are West Bank Arabs and supports the use of the PLO terrorists to be gunned down.

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Our Atlanta mobilization, the ADL complained of "calls from concerned individuals, expressing their opinion that the Jewish organizations ought to be officially counterdemonstrating" against the Klan.

On the eve of World War II, while the Trotskyists fought to mobilize united workers action to crush the fascist menace, the Zionists devoted their efforts to trying to cut a deal with the Hitlerites.

Even after the gas chambers went into operation, Shainir and his gang—who adulated Mussolini—offered Hitler their support in driving the British out of the Near East if he was prepared to sponsor a "Jewish state." Zionism is bad for the Jews: it was bad for Jews in Central Europe, it is bad for Jews in the U.S., and it is even bad for Jews in Israel, because it opposes, at all cost, united struggle against anti-Semitism and racist reaction. And it must do so, because in the final analysis, those who steadfastly pursue their nationalism are fascists—whether it be the Zionist fascists inspired by Begin's mentor Jabotinski or the ex-leftist Sinhala chauvinists of the JVP in Sri Lanka.

The Zionists have always hated us because, as we wrote in "ADL Red-baiters Defame Anti-Klan Protest": "... unlike practically all the left, with their impressionistic tailing after nationalities, they do not believe in the self-sacrificing work of their self-servicing lie that anti-Zionism equals anti-Semitism. We defend the Palestinian Arab and the Palestinian Jewish as equals. Zionism has long been accustomed to a privileged position in the U.S.—like their unique access to dual citizenship—as reward for their services as a regional gendarmerie for U.S. imperialism. This was most recently revealed in the Iran/Contra scandal wherein Israel gained notoriety as the unconquered "Country X:" the history of the CIA-Mossad relationship was graphically detailed in a recent PBS Frontline TV documentary entitled "Israel—The Connection" (PBS-TV, 16 May 1989). For several decades, going back to James Jesus Angleton's tenure with the Company, the Mossad has done the CIA's dirty work in Eastern Europe and Africa and the Near East—from dealing with Khomeni's Iran to training Nazi war criminals and sending Nazi and Fascist elements to Latin America. Presumably to show its gratitude, the CIA recently installed a new Israeli ambassador in West Bank Judea and Samaria, the biblical names by which the Zionists legitimized their illegal settlements.

Over the last 15 years, Israel has received $27 billion in U.S. military aid, most of which has been spent to prop up its nonviable economy. But Israel's special relationship with the U.S. is hardly irre-versible. The American public, remember that Pollard served to remind the Israelis that they are indeed a different state power. And the Israeli attack on the page, even attacking Arabs who are Israeli citizens, fascistic movements are flourishing, taking advantage of the crisis to push for the "final solution." Alongside the new repressive government measures, settlers have unleashed a wave of pogroms against Arab towns in recent weeks. In Mea and Joun, Jewish settlements launched attacks, allegedly in "retaliation" for Arab attacks. But the Palestinians have only stones while the settlers have automatic weapons plus the regular army to back them up.

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Flag-Wavers Target Bill of Rights

Flag burning was prohibited by a 1967 federal law aimed at curtailting the practice at demonstrations against the Vietnam War. Today the commander in chief of American imperialism, George Bush, is still fighting allegiance. Now he wants to pass a 27th amendment to the Constitution to prohibit "desecration" of the American flag.

The Supreme Court overturned federal and state laws outlawing flag "desecration," holding that burning the flag is a form of political protest protected under First Amendment free speech rights. This ruling came in the case of Mosaic Revolutionary Communist Party supporter Gregory Johnson who was convicted under Texas law for torching an American flag during a Dallas protest at the 1984 Republican National Convention. This decision should also extend to the case of "Dread" Scott Tyler whose political art exhibit displays the American flag on the floor of the Brooklyn Art Institute and is under attack from right-wing vets and the city council.

Salmon canneries in Alaska. But the overwhelming statistical proof of racial discrimination, presented by minority workers in Wards Cove v. Atwood was of no import to the Supreme Court. While acknowledging that there was a "racial imbalance in the workforce," on June 5 the Court dismissed this as "irrelevant." All that mattered was "the pool of qualified job applicants." In other words, it isn't the working class blacks who have little access to education and are prevented from acquiring job skills, it's just the way it is in these United States.

"Reverse discrimination," that code word for white racist backlash, was used by Chief Justice Rehnquist in his June 12 decision allowing white firemen in Birmingham, Alabama, to sue against an affirmative action consent decree. The ruling in Martin v. Wilks allows whites not even involved in the original suit to challenge preferential hiring of blacks at any time. This decision could result in a large number of affirmative action programs. But in Lorance v. A&T black women phone workers were told they had waited too long to sue against a discriminatory seniority policy which led to their demotions: if you don't go to court within 300 days of the policy's enactment, you're too late. These days, if you expect to prove racial discrimination, you better have a video of your employer burning a cross on your workbench!

"But do you say, ‘why burn a cross? Why don’t they sue about the injustice of Jim Crow laws’—tough luck says the Supreme Court. This is the same logic in which they try to suppress the violent racism and death penalty in the 1987 McClesky ruling: even though the data showed that the proportion of black and white defendants of whites were 16 times more likely to be sentenced to death than if the victim was white, since seniority, the court ruled that "apparent discrepancies...are an inevitable part of our criminal justice system...is an inevitable part of our criminal justice system..." and that the facts of sexual oppression, the job or legal lynching of black prisoners, etc. is "inevitable," says the Reagan-Rehnquist court.

Washington, D.C., 1978—Spartacists join protest against racist Bakke sue against minority advancement

This was also the conclusion of Leo Edwards Jr., a black man from Mississippi, who on June 21 became the 11th person executed since the Supreme Court resurrected the death penalty in 1976. Edwards had filed 16 grievances against maintenance of his innocence, the last of which was rejected by the Supreme Court last week. But already at the time of his initial trial, when he first saw the all-white jury that would rule on his case, he concluded: "I'm dead."

For Revolutionary Integrationism!

After the passage of the 1964-65 civil rights and voting rights laws, the liberal civil rights movement sought the right to go North. But there it ran up against the pervasive racial oppression rooted in the economic realities of American capitalism, where blacks are "last hired, first fired," where housing segregation is not just "affirmative action," but "lining" rather than county laws, where separate and unequal education goes by the euphemism of "neighborhood schools." For the bourgeoisie, "affirmative action" schemes were designed to channel militant black struggle into the courtroom, with the added benefit of pinning blacks against the unions. Richard Patterson, a black woman credit union teller, could not sue her bosses for racial discrimination: she was hired that they would harass her, subject her to racist slurs and force her to sweep the floors, she might have a case, but since they only did so after she was hired, her redress is under the Civil Rights Act of 1964. This is very good news for racist employers, because under that law no punitive damages can be awarded. The past several weeks of devastating attacks on formal legal equality for minorities demonstrate the intent of the court to hold repressed and exploited reactionaries quiescent. If it's the de facto discrimination of racist American capitalism rather than the de jure segregation of Jim Crow laws—tough luck says the Supreme Court. This is the same logic in which they try to suppress the violent racism and death penalty in the 1987 McClesky ruling: even though the data showed that the proportion of black and white defendants of whites were 16 times more likely to be sentenced to death than if the victim was white, since seniority, the court ruled that "apparent discrepancies...are an inevitable part of our criminal justice system...is an inevitable part of our criminal justice system..." and that the facts of sexual oppression, the job or legal lynching of black prisoners, etc. is "inevitable," says the Reagan-Rehnquist court.

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Humberto Centeno (above, right) standing out­side office of Salvador phone union alliance bombed by right-wingers in February. Leader JosŽ Mazariego (inset), kidnapped and tortured, rounding up nearly 100 people. Both men have received death threats from security forces.

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with line in it that they put on you, so you

start to breathe, and after a moment you pass. When I came
to, they were putting acid on my knees. It was horrible pain, but they didn't stop. They put the capucha on my head and over again. I was released after three days and three nights of being tortured."

Counterrevolutionary Terror

The kidnapping of Mazariego was only the latest case of the sharply escalating terror against what the Sal­

vadoran oligarchs and their pro­

fessional assassins see as the "enemy within." During the election campaign, on February 15 fascist soldiers of the "Maximiliano Hernandes Brigade" stormed the headquarters of the Na­

tional Union of Salvadoran Workers (UNTS). In early April a teacher was kidnap­

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When the ARENA president "Freddy" Cristiani (Georgetown '68) took over from U.S. puppet "Joe Napoleon" Duarte (Notre Dame '48), the Baltimore Sun (2 June) noted, "few of his countrymen were able to hear his inaugural address because rebels knocked out electrical power to 90 percent of the country." San Salvador was blacked out and the streets were emptied by a total transport stoppage of all car, truck and bus traffic called by the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN). Cristiani's "answer" was brutal repression. On June 12 José Marzaringo, executive board member of the Salvadoran phone workers union ASTTEL, was seized by the Treasury Police and tortured. The next day the National Police captured Gregorio continued on page 11

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In mid-June, Israeli army chief of staff Lt. Gen. Dan Shomron declared "there are only three ways" to "end the intifada": "transfer, starvation or physical extermination—that is, genocide" (New York Times, 17 June). He was responding to growing right-wing frustration, spearheaded by mobs of Jewish "settlers" in the Occupied Territories, over the army's failure to halt the Palestinian uprising over the last year and a half. This ominous mood boiled over a couple of days later when Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir showed up in the West Bank town of Ariel at a funeral for a Palestinian Arab. What's next: tattooing numbers on the forearm?