

# REVISIONISTS LAUNCH OFFENSIVE

The National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression sponsored a rally on July 4 in Raleigh, North Carolina which was billed as the "demonstration to spark a new movement in the South". The CPUSA is playing a leading role in developing the National Alliance through their members like Angela Davis and Charlene Mitchell, both co-chairmen of the Alliance. Through such efforts as this, the CPUSA is making a greater thrust into the working class movement than has been exhibited by them in 20 years. Why are they making this renewed thrust, especially into the Negro people's liberation movement? The imperialists are mounting a fascist offensive at home to prepare for war abroad and the deepening role of the Negro people as sparks in the spontaneous struggle of the whole of the USNA working class, coupled with the maturing of the "Puerto Rican solution", makes suppression of the Negro people first on the agenda for the imperialists. The CPUSA is playing a key role in trying to

hide the growth of fascism and leave the Negro people and the whole of the working class defenseless.

The past few years have witnessed a seeming lull in the Negro people's liberation movement. But this is fast coming to an end as the "Puerto Rican solution" is more and more exposed. The Negro compradors who gained office in the past few years are exposing themselves as rats and traitors of the Negro people. Charles Evers, mayor of Fayette, Miss., has come out in support of the fascist, chauvinist, George Wallace. The end of June witnessed the largest uprising of the Negro people in several years, this time in Atlanta, Ga. This uprising was quelled with savage brutality. Did Mayor Maynard Jackson support the just demands of the Negro people? No! - He sat mum, unwilling and unable to do a thing. And in the Anglo-American nation, Mayor Coleman Young of Detroit came to office on a platform appealing to the Negro section of the working class.

But what has he done while in office so far? - expand the mini-police stations to further infiltrate the police into the Negro community for the purpose of increased suppression.

Further, Negro national minority workers are in the leadership of the spontaneous struggles, such as, fightbacks and wildcats of the workers in the factories of the Anglo-American nation. Great numbers of Negro national minority workers may be found in the basic industries, such as auto and steel. Operatives and non-farm laborers totaled 32% of the Negro population in 1971. (1) These Negro national minority workers are playing a key role in exposing and fighting the treachery of the trade union misleaders and in advancing

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the struggle for economic demands, such as, better wages and safety conditions. And in the Negro Nation which in 1970 was only 14% organized (2), or in other words, unorganized for the most part, and becoming more and more industrialized, strike after strike is exploding. The workers are demanding organization as the means to "get from under" the super-exploitation perpetrated upon them as colonial subjects.

for local taxes paid." "The Overseas Private Investment Corporation shall refuse to insure any new investments in South Africa and cancel all outstanding insurance on investments in the Republic of South Africa." And, "The immediate withdrawal of the sugar quota to the Republic of South Africa."

Mr. Winston, the question is not just of "black" leadership. Although the "whites" in South Africa have served as the colonizers of the "black" majority, just putting in a "black" leader does not necessarily mean an end to colonial rule - especially if that "black" leader is a puppet of USNA imperialism (like Mobutu in Zaire, Thieu in Viet Nam, etc.).

"In the last analysis, the national question in the contemporary world is one of class struggle and anti-imperialist struggle." "The question here is not whether to side with the white people or the coloured people, but whether to side with the oppressed peoples and nations or with the handful of imperialists and reactionaries." (9)

Nor is the task of the proletariat in the USNA to sing psalms to the most brutal colonial butchers in history - the USNA imperialists - begging them to bless their enslaved colonies with freedom.

Our task is the building of an independent Communist Party on the firm foundation of Marxism-Leninism, hostile and uncompromising toward opportunism, demanding the independence and right of political secession of the oppressed colonies, while organizing and enlightening the workers in the USNA for the violent overthrow of the USNA state.

- 1) J.V. Stalin, Foundations of Leninism, FLPP, 1970 p. 5
- 2) V.I. Lenin, Imperialism, the Highest Stage of Capitalism, FLPP, 1970, p. 153
- 3) Enver Hoxha, The PLA in Battle with Modern Revisionism, Tirana, 1972 p. 185
- 4) Daily World, May 7, 1974
- 5) Afro-Asian Journalist, No. 1, 1973
- 6) Polemics on the General Line of the Communist Movement, "Apoligists for Neo-Colonialism" FLPP p. 193
- 7) Ibid, p. 216
- 8) Henry Winston, Africa's Struggle for Freedom, the USA and the USSR, New Outlook Publishers, N.Y., Dec. 1972, p. 14-15
- 9) Op. Cit. p. 213

The only solution left to the imperialists is open, naked fascism. This coincides with the general fascist offensive by the imperialists in preparation for impending war. The people of the Negro Nation have always existed under a fascist reign of terror and the preparation for fascism in the Anglo-American nation is hitting the Negro section of the class first and with increasing fury. The railroading and murder of the Negro national minority men accused in the De Mau Mau killings in the Chicago area, the search of much of the Negro national minority men in San Francisco in regards to the Zebra killings, and the building of the Butner Institute for Behavior Modification in North Carolina are but a few examples of the growing fascist attacks.

"Legalizing" the CPUSA, the imperialists are calling on them to help more than ever before in the growing fascist offensive. And faithful lackeys that they are, the CPUSA is jumping to the occasion. The CPUSA through years of experience has dug itself into the working class and knows how to organize. The CPUSA newspaper, the Daily World, is directing their membership to entrench themselves more firmly into the working class and to build a "network of agents". The program of the CPUSA was very evident in the Coalition of Black Trade Unionists conference this spring. And their role in directing the National Alliance shows that they understand that the key to undermining the liberation struggle of the Negro people lies in the South.

As was evidenced by this July 4th rally, this "new movement in the South" is to be led by the big three: the CPUSA, the liberal politicians and trade union misleaders, and the Negro church, all working in concert to deny the class character and national character of the Negro people's liberation movement. How else could Rev. Ralph Abernathy stand up and proclaim his joy that a "Christian could march alongside of a Communist" (referring to Angela Davis).

The CPUSA did a masterful job at attempting to liquidate the national colonial question and along with it, the leading role of the proletariat. Not once in this demonstration which was supposedly "making Washington, D.C. tremble" were class questions raised. We hold Communists responsible for Communist action. The struggles of the Negro people were put forth simply as being against racism and repression while the struggles of the entire proletariat were not mentioned at all. If Washington, D.C. was trembling, it was with laughter.

What were the slogans and programs raised by the Party? -

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"Unity, Unity, Unity", "End Racism and Political Repression". There is much confusion amongst the class on what exactly is counterrevolutionary about the program and practice of the CPUSA. After all, many ask, "Isn't it a good thing to fight against the beatings and jailings of the Negro people?" The answer to this question is in its concrete results. The history of the Negro people's movement has been violent upsurge, whose leadership is eventually captured by the liberal bourgeoisie and the church and taken under the wing of the imperialists. How obvious it would be if the CPUSA were to say "end racism and political repression in Vietnam". It is clear that this is not the solution to the liberation struggle of the Vietnamese. Why should it be the political solution to the liberation struggle of the Negro Nation? No, the Party is trying to mask the national character of the Negro people's liberation movement. The calls of "unity" we do not oppose, but unity must be based on principle. The CPUSA is calling for unity of the Negro workers and the Anglo-American petty bourgeoisie. They are calling for the unity of the Negro people under the hegemony of honey mouthed liberals and compradors. This is not the path to liberation. This will not solve the problems of the Negro people. This will only break the struggle.

The program of the CPUSA places the struggle of the Negro people for equal rights in the framework of bourgeois democracy. It separates the Negro people from the working class and actually repudiates the violent overthrow of the State in advocating the "peaceful transition towards socialism". Lenin describes the struggle for "equality" within the framework of bourgeois democracy as follows: "It is in the very nature of bourgeois democracy to treat the question of equality in general and national equality in particular in an abstract or formal way. Under the guise of the equality of persons in general, bourgeois democracy proclaims a formal or legal equality between the property owner and the proletarian, between the exploiter and the exploited, and thereby grossly deceives the oppressed classes. The bourgeoisie transforms the idea of equality, which is itself a reflection of the relations of commodity production, into a weapon in its struggle against the abolition of classes, pretending that all men are absolutely equal. The demand for equality has real meaning only as a demand for the abolition of classes." (*italics ours, ed.*) (3)

But the Negro workers have cast aside the yoke of non-violence and through their leadership, the whole of the working class movement has leaped forward. "...the Negro people's liberation movement has opened

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the proletariat. At no point did or will the Party raise the clarion call of world revolution, "workers and oppressed peoples of the world, unite!" Nowhere did they expose the imperialist state as "an organ of class rule, an organ for the oppression of one class by another". Nowhere did they go beyond feeble whining about "racism" and "special prosecutors".

Because of the "leadership" of the CPUSA and its various front groups and friends, the working class has been and still is to a large degree hamstrung in its struggle with capital, and unable to unite and crush the fascist offensive and establish the dictatorship of the proletariat and socialism. In explaining the victory of fascism in certain countries Dimitrov points out, "Fascism was able to come to power primarily because the working class, owing to the policy of class collaboration with the

the gates of the Socialist revolution." (4) It is against this background that we are calling for the establishment of a real Marxist-Leninist Communist Party that will guide the struggle of the working class on to the abolition of classes.

As Communists, we must dig into the trade unions and mass organizations of the working class, such as, the NAACP, PUSH, SCLC, etc. and build a united front of the working class against fascism. The united front must be led by this communist party of a new type that will fully coordinate the unity of action of the proletariat.

We call upon all Communists and honest workers to raise to all sections of the class that the fascist offensive against the class is first being focussed on the Negro people. We must take up the call to "defend the Negro people". The defense of the Negro people is the defense of the whole working class against rising fascism. The struggle against fascism includes the political exposure of the revisionists. We must take this struggle to the workers, where the CPUSA has strong influence, explaining to them the history and disastrous consequences of revisionist leadership. We must raise the slogans of "Independence for the Negro Nation" and "Full Equality for the Negro National Minority".

1) U.S. Bureau of the Census, Statistical Abstract of the U.S. 1972, (93rd Edition) Washington, D.C., 1972, p. 231.

2) Ibid., p. 242.

3) Lenin on the National and Colonial Questions, Three Articles, FLPP, 1967, p. 21.

4) Negro National Colonial Question, Communist League, p. 38.