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The proletariat is the greatest class in the history of mankind. It is the most powerful revolutionary class ideologically, politically and in strength. It can and must unite the overwhelming majority of people around itself so as to isolate the handful of enemies to the maximum and attack them. Mao Tse Tung

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COMMUNISTS DENOUNCE FASCIST CLEVELAND COURTS TO ADVANCE THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT FORWARD!

The fascist courts are also paper tigers!!

Using the revolutionary method of mass democratic struggle and following the revolutionary spirit "FEAR NEITHER HARDSHIP NOR DEATH," seven young communists thoroughly denounced and exposed the fascist courts of Cleveland on August 6. Arrested for their just struggle against the fascist "hard-hats" and police on July 26, these young comrades have further developed that great victory and have shown that the revolutionary people can always turn a bad thing into a good thing and develop the anti-fascist struggle in the court rooms as well as in the streets.

On August 6 these young members and supporters of the American Communist Workers Movement (Marxist-Leninist) went on trial for the concocted charges of carrying a red flag and "assaulting" the fascist police. All charges were dreamed up by the police in order to save face after the these young comrades and supporters marched right through the midst of the once-feared "hard-hats" and then fiercely resisted an attack by the fascist police. (Both "hard-hats" and police are engaged in a brutal campaign to destroy the people's democratic rights and consolidate fascism under the rule of Nixon-Agnew. They have collaborated in New York, Cleveland and elsewhere, with the "hard-hats" acting as a civilian brown-shirt auxiliary, to attack progressive demonstrations and the people's right to sell and read revolutionary literature. Since April 1970 they have been attacking young communists in Cleveland for selling The Workers' Advocate and MASS LINE.)

At the trial the comrades persisted in standing up for the true aspirations of the proletariat and oppressed peoples by denouncing and exposing the fabricated stories of the lackey police and the fascist rules and regulations imposed by the fascist judge, and singing revolutionary songs and shouting revolutionary slogans right in the court room. In this way they seized the initiative in the entire trial away from the fascist authorities and used it to defend the people's interests. This method of mass democracy, of putting revolutionary ideas boldly before the people, is the only method that develops revolutionary ideas among the masses and is thus the only method that develops revolution. All other methods, which rely on the liberal and revisionist lawyers, and the "reasonableness" of the courts, encourage the belief that imperialism is strong when it is actually weak and the belief that the people are weak and in need of "expert help" when the truth is that the people are very strong and in no need of "expert help". Thus the lesson of this trial is a great blow against the class-collaborationist line of the "Holy Alliance" of revisionist, trotskysts, pacifists, new leftists and opportunists of every stripe, who believe in groveling for crumbs at the feet of bourgeois law. To oppose this cowardly spirit our comrades displayed the



SEVEN REVOLUTIONARY COMRADES WHO EXPOSED AND DENOUNCED THE BOURGEOIS FASCIST COURTS IN CLEVELAND IN THE COURSE OF MASS DEMOCRATIC STRUGGLE. LEFT TO RIGHT, COMRADES STEVE SMITH, BARBARA CAHN, JACK AILEY, MICHELE SHUBERT, BETSY PATTON, ANDY PYLE AND SALLY HALL.

brave spirit of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolutionaries of China: "DARE TO SPEAK, DARE TO FIGHT, MAKE REBELLION, NEVER STOP! FIGHT ON, SMASH UP THE OLD WORLD, MAKE OUR COUNTRY EVER RED!!"

Comrades Jack Ailey, Andy Pyle, Steve Smith and Barbara Cahn were charged with "assaulting a policeman" (Barbara with two counts of "assault"), i.e., defending themselves against a fascist police attack. Comrades Betsy Patton, Sally Hall, Michele Shubert and Barbara Cahn were charged with "carrying an unauthorized flag," i.e., the red revolutionary flag of the working and oppressed people of the world. The fascist judge Pillelsdorf showed his opposition to mass democracy right from the beginning, trying to hide the political cases by calling a special session for the communists after the trials of the other oppressed people in court that day were over. This desire for secrecy was thwarted immediately when more than forty members and supporters of the ACWM (M-L) showed up for the trial.

Amidst the cackling and bantering of the court house reactionaries, the comrades and supporters entered the court room, sat down and began humming The East Is Red and then The Internationals, song of the revolutionary proletariat of the world. The humming turned into singing and the rising voices of the revolutionary people silenced the cackling of the reactionaries! The judge was unable to enter the courtroom until the singing stopped, and when he did the revolutionary people showed their contempt for the fascist court by remaining seated. This surprise opening threw the reactionaries off balance and set the tone for the entire afternoon. All the comrades wore badges of our great leader Chairman Mao on their chests and carried the RED BOOK OF QUOTATIONS FROM CHAIRMAN MAO as they stood up for the interests of the working class and people against the fascist court.

Comrade Barbara Cahn was called first. When asked if she had a lawyer, she replied, "We don't need bourgeois lawyers, who are part of the bourgeoisie."
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QUOTATIONS FROM CHAIRMAN MAO

VI. IMPERIALISM AND ALL REACTIONARIES ARE PAPER TIGERS

All reactionaries are paper tigers. In appearance, the reactionaries are terrifying, but in reality they are not so powerful. From a long-term point of view, it is not the reactionaries but the people who are really powerful.

"Talk with the American Correspondent Anna Louise Strong" (August 1946), *Selected Works*, Vol. IV, p. 100.

Just as there is not a single thing in the world without a dual nature (this is the law of the unity of opposites), so imperialism and all reactionaries have a dual nature—they are real tigers and paper tigers at the same time. In past history, before they won state power and for some time afterwards, the slave-owning class, the feudal landlord class and the bourgeoisie were vigorous, revolutionary and progressive; they were real tigers. But with the lapse of time, because their opposites—the slave class, the peasant class and the proletariat—grew in strength step by step, struggled against them more and more fiercely, these ruling classes changed step by step into the reverse, changed into reactionaries, changed into backward people, changed into paper tigers. And eventually they were overthrown, or will be overthrown, by the people. The reactionary, backward, decaying classes retained this dual nature even in their last life-and-death struggles against the people. On the one hand, they were real tigers; they devoured people, devoured people by the millions and tens of millions. The cause of the people's struggle went through a period of difficulties and hardships, and along the path there were many twists and turns. To destroy the rule of imperialism, feudalism and bureaucrat-capitalism in China took the Chinese people more than a hundred years and cost them tens of millions of lives before the victory in 1949. Look! Were these not living tigers, iron tigers, real tigers? But in the end they changed into paper tigers, dead tigers, bean-curd tigers. These are historical facts. Have people not seen or heard about these facts? There have indeed been thousands and tens of thousands of them! Thousands and tens of thousands! Hence, imperialism and all reactionaries, looked at in essence, from a long-term point of view, must be seen for what they are—paper tigers. On this we should build our strategic thinking. On the other hand, they are also living tigers, iron tigers, real tigers which can devour people. On this we should build our tactical thinking.

Speech at the Wuchang Meeting of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China (December 1, 1958), quoted in the explanatory note to "Talk with the American Correspondent Anna Louise Strong", *Selected Works*, Vol. IV, pp. 98-99.*

I have said that all the reputedly powerful reactionaries are merely paper tigers. The reason is that they are divorced from the people. Look! Was not Hitler a paper tiger? Was Hitler not overthrown? I also said that the tsar of Russia, the emperor of China and Japanese imperialism were all paper tigers. As we know, they were all overthrown. U.S. imperialism has not yet been overthrown and it has the atom bomb. I believe it also will be overthrown. It, too, is a paper tiger.

Speech at the Moscow Meeting of Communist and Workers' Parties (November 18, 1957).

"Lifting a rock only to drop it on one's own feet" is a Chinese folk saying to describe the behaviour of certain fools. The reactionaries in all countries are fools of this kind. In the final analysis, their persecution of the revolutionary people only serves to accelerate the people's revolutions on a broader and more intense scale. Did not the persecution of the revolutionary people by the tsar of Russia and by Chiang Kai-shek perform this function in the great Russian and Chinese revolutions?

"Speech at the Meeting of the Supreme Soviet of the U.S.S.R. in Celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Great October Socialist Revolution" (November 6, 1957).

U.S. imperialism invaded China's territory of Taiwan and has occupied it for the past nine years. A short while ago it sent its armed forces to invade and occupy Lebanon. The United States has set up hundreds of military bases in many countries all over the world. China's territory of Taiwan, Lebanon and all military bases of the United States on foreign soil are so many nooses round the neck of U.S. imperialism. The nooses have been fashioned by the Americans themselves and by nobody else, and it is they themselves who have put these nooses round their own necks, handing the ends of the ropes to the Chinese people, the peoples of the Arab countries and all the peoples of the world who love peace and oppose aggression. The longer the U.S. aggressors remain in those places, the tighter the nooses round their necks will become.

Speech at the Supreme State Conference (September 8, 1958).

Imperialism will not last long because it always does evil things. It persists in grooming and supporting reactionaries in all countries who are against the people, it has forcibly seized many colonies and semi-colonies and many military bases, and it threatens the peace with atomic war. Thus, forced by imperialism to do so, more than 90 per cent of the people of the world are rising or will rise up in struggle against it. Yet imperialism is still alive, still running amuck in Asia, Africa and Latin America. In the West imperialism is still oppressing the people at home. This situation must change. It is the task of the people of the whole world to put an end to the aggression and oppression perpetrated by imperialism, and chiefly by U.S. imperialism.

Interview with a Hsinhua News Agency correspondent (September 29, 1958).

Riding roughshod everywhere, U.S. imperialism has made itself the enemy of the people of the world and has increasingly isolated itself. Those who refuse to be enslaved will never be cowed by the atom bombs and hydrogen bombs in the hands of the U.S. imperialists. The raging tide of the people of the world against the U.S. aggressors is irresistible. Their struggle against U.S. imperialism and its lackeys will assuredly win still greater victories.

"Statement Supporting the Panamanian People's Just Patriotic Struggle Against U.S. Imperialism" (January 12, 1954), *People of the World, Unite and Defeat the U.S. Aggressors and All Their Lackeys*, 2nd ed., pp. 9-10.

If the U.S. monopoly capitalist groups persist in pushing their policies of aggression and war, the day is bound to come when they will be hanged by the people of the whole world. The same fate awaits the accomplices of the United States.

Speech at the Supreme State Conference (September 8, 1958).

Over a long period we have developed this concept for the struggle against the enemy: strategically we should despise all our enemies, but tactically we should take them all seriously. This also means that we must despise the enemy with respect to the whole, but that we must take him seriously with respect to each and every concrete question. If we do not despise the enemy with respect to the whole, we shall be committing the error of opportunism. Marx and Engels were only two individuals, and yet in those early days they already declared that capitalism would be overthrown throughout the world. But in dealing with concrete problems and particular enemies we shall be committing the error of adventurism unless we take them seriously. In war, battles can only be fought one by one and the enemy forces can only be destroyed one by one. Factories can only be built one by one. The peasants can only plough the land plot by plot. The same is even true of eating a meal. Strategically, we take the eating of a meal lightly—we know we can finish it. But actually we eat it mouthful by mouthful. It is impossible to swallow an entire banquet in one gulp. This is known as a piecemeal solution. In military parlance, it is called wiping out the enemy forces one by one.

Speech at the Moscow Meeting of Communist and Workers' Parties (November 18, 1957).

It is my opinion that the international situation has now reached a new turning point. There are two winds in the world today, the East Wind and the West Wind. There is a Chinese saying, "Either the East Wind prevails over the West Wind or the West Wind prevails over the East Wind." I believe it is characteristic of the situation today that the East Wind is prevailing over the West Wind. That is to say, the forces of socialism have become overwhelmingly superior to the forces of imperialism.

Ibid.

VII. DARE TO STRUGGLE AND DARE TO WIN

People of the world, unite and defeat the U.S. aggressors and all their running dogs! People of the world, be courageous, dare to fight, defy difficulties and advance wave upon wave. Then the whole world will belong to the people. Monsters of all kinds shall be destroyed.

"Statement Supporting the People of the Congo (L.) Against U.S. Aggression" (November 28, 1964), *People of the World, Unite and Defeat the U.S. Aggressors and All Their Lackeys*, 2nd ed., p. 14.

The Communist Party of China, having made a clear-headed appraisal of the international and domestic situation on the basis of the science of Marxism-Leninism, recognized that all attacks by the reactionaries at home and abroad had to be defeated and could be defeated. When dark clouds appeared in the sky, we pointed out that they were only temporary, that the darkness would soon pass and the sun break through.

"The Present Situation and Our Tasks" (December 21, 1947), *Selected Military Writings*, 2nd ed., p. 347.

Historically, all reactionary forces on the verge of extinction invariably conduct a last desperate struggle against the revolutionary forces, and some revolutionaries are apt to be deluded for a time by this phenomenon of outward strength but inner weakness, failing to grasp the essential fact that the enemy is nearing extinction while they themselves are approaching victory.

"The Turning Point in World War II" (October 12, 1942), *Selected Works*, Vol. III, p. 109.

ADVANCE THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT FORWARD!

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geists legal system, to defend us. They only confuse the issues and do not fight for the people's democratic rights. We are quite capable of defending those rights ourselves!" She began to make a statement but was interrupted by the judge who demanded, "Face me, I am the court, you will make your statement to me!" desperately trying to control the situation. Comrade Barbara Cahn turned half-way and said, "If I must face you instead of the people in order to speak to the people then I will do so, but I am still speaking to the people. We all know that the police and courts are fascist and we do not expect justice here. We opposed fascist attacks on the people on July 26. This 'charge' of carrying a red flag has been proven unconstitutional, even in your bourgeois law, and we demand that the charge be dismissed!" The judge refused.

The chief prosecution witness fascist police captain Robert Feingold (who had said on television July 26, "We don't know who attacked whom.") was called next. He testified "We were having a 'hard-hat' parade. A group came and called the police and the 'hard-hat' fascists." When comrade Barbara exposed this tell-tale "we", Feingold tried to wiggle his way out by saying that the police were not part of the march but that the "City of Cleveland" was having a march. Comrade Barbara pointed out that that this handful of fascists supporting aggressive wars and slaughters in no way represented the working and oppressed people of Cleveland. As for the red flag, Comrade Barbara said, "We are very proud of carrying the red flag. It is the flag of the working class, red with the blood they shed in countless struggles against their oppression. The 'American' Flag, which was carried by the 'hard-hats', is today a flag of the oppressors of the people of the world including the American people. As Chairman Mao states, 'REVOLUTION IS THE MAIN TREND IN THE WORLD TODAY!' On July 26th we proudly carried the red flag of revolution."

The judge postponed decision until a recess and began hearing comrade Barbara's two "assault" charges, the first from July 26 and the second from July 28, when she was dragged out of court at her hearing. One uniformed fascist said he was struck in the head with a two-by-two and another exhibited a pair of torn pants and said comrade Barbara had "clawed, kicked and bitten" him and had torn at his watch.

If they [the Kuomintang] fight, we will wipe them out completely. This is the way things are: if they attack and we wipe them out, they will have that satisfaction; wipe out some, some satisfaction; wipe out more, more satisfaction; wipe out the whole lot, complete satisfaction. China's problems are complicated, and our brains must also be a little complicated. If they start fighting, we fight back, fight to win peace.

"On the Chungking Negotiations" (October 17, 1945). *Selected Works*, Vol. IV, p. 56.

If anyone attacks us and if the conditions are favourable for battle, we will certainly act in self-defence to wipe him out resolutely, thoroughly, wholly and completely (we do not strike rashly, but when we do strike, we must win). We must never be cowed by the bluster of reactionaries.

"On Peace Negotiations with the Kuomintang - Circular of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China" (August 26, 1945). *Selected Works*, Vol. IV, p. 49.

As far as our own desire is concerned, we don't want to fight even for a single day. But if circumstances force us to fight, we can fight to the finish.

"Talk with the American Correspondent Anna Louise Strong" (August 1946). *Selected Works*, Vol. IV, p. 97.

We are for peace. But so long as U.S. imperialism refuses to give up its arrogant and unreasonable demands and its scheme to extend aggression, the only course for the Chinese people is to remain determined to go on fighting side by side with the Korean people. Not that we are warlike. We are willing to stop the war at once and leave the remaining questions for later settlement. But U.S. imperialism is not

There were broad smiles on the faces of comrade Barbara and the revolutionary people as these fascist goons described how she had dealt them such sharp blows. When comrade Barbara asked the first policeman why he wasn't wearing his badge on July 26, he lied, "I removed the badge when it became clear that there would be violence" (i.e., when he got the order to attack). "We know that people would like to grab police badges as expensive souvenirs." Comrade Barbara answered, "Isn't it true that you are afraid of the wrath of the people?" The prosecution then "objected" to pursuing the truth and the judge asked Barbara if she had any further testimony. She said, "I fought back as best I could. I would have hit him on the head if I had the chance, but I didn't have the chance. We follow Chairman Mao's great teaching: 'IF ANYONE ATTACKS US AND IF THE CONDITIONS ARE FAVORABLE FOR BATTLE, WE WILL CERTAINLY ACT IN SELF-DEFENSE TO WIPE HIM OUT RESOLUTELY, THOROUGHLY, WHOLLY, AND COMPLETELY.'"

The second charge of assault was laid when the fascist police dragged comrade Barbara out of court July 28 when she tried to state that the police and the "hard-hats" were the real criminals. Comrade Barbara questioned the fascist officer, "Why was I dragged out of court? Because I tried to explain what happened on the 26th! Didn't you threaten me? Try to choke me? Didn't you forcibly take away a copy of Chairman Mao's QUOTATIONS?" The lackey judge interrupted to tell our comrade to conduct herself with "decorum." Comrade Barbara replied: "We will not go along with your fascist rules and regulations which stand in the way of seeking truth! We are organizing revolution and are not asking for permission to do so! It is not I who am on trial here today but instead it is you. The day is not far off when the American people will rise up in revolution and hang you, lackey judge, you, you, and you..." (pointing to the judge, prosecutor, bailiff and several fascist police). "We will not allow you to speak!" squeaked the judge and three fascist police dragged our comrade from the courtroom. On the way she shouted "Fascists!" and "Death to Fascism!" and fought bitterly with the jailers, who sprayed her with Mace in an unsuccessful attempt to quiet her down.

Thus comrade Barbara Cahn gave a militant fighting example of the proletarian spirit to the rest of the

willing to do so. All right then, let the fighting go on. However many years U.S. imperialism wants to fight, we are ready to fight right up to the moment when it is willing to stop, right up to the moment of complete victory for the Chinese and Korean peoples.

Speech at the Fourth Session of the First National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (February 7, 1955).

We should rid our ranks of all impotent thinking. All views that overestimate the strength of the enemy and underestimate the strength of the people are wrong.

"The Present Situation and Our Tasks" (December 21, 1947). *Selected Works*, Vol. IV, p. 175.

The oppressed peoples and nations must not pin their hopes for liberation on the "sensibleness" of imperialism and its lackeys. They will only triumph by strengthening their unity and persevering in their struggle.

"Statement Opposing Aggression Against Southern Vietnam and Slaughter of Its People by the U.S.-Ngo Dinh Diem Clique" (August 29, 1955). *People of the World, Unite and Defeat the U.S. Aggressors and All Their Lackeys*, 2nd ed., p. 6.

No matter when this country-wide civil war breaks out, we must be well prepared. If it comes early, say, tomorrow morning, we should also be prepared. That is point one. In the present international and domestic situation it is possible that for a time the civil war may be kept restricted in scale and localized. That is point two. Point one is what we should prepare for, point two is what has existed for a long time. In short, we must be prepared. Being prepared, we shall be able to deal properly with all kinds of complicated situations.

"The Situation and Our Policy After the Victory in the War of Resistance Against Japan" (August 9, 1945). *Selected Works*, Vol. IV, p. 28.

comrades and supporters and to the revolutionary people everywhere. Because of this our comrades' spirits were high, while the spirits of the fascists were low and they murmured among themselves that they didn't know what to do!

The three other women comrades charged with "carrying an unauthorized flag" also defended themselves and made militant statements. The fascists could not get their fabricated stories straight, so they were only able to convict comrade Sally Hall while "dismissing charges" against comrade Betsy Patton and "acquitting" comrade Michele Schubert.

The three men comrades also faced charges of "assaulting police," a charge commonly used against those who defend themselves against fascist attacks committed by the police. Comrades Jack Alley (a worker), Andy Pyle (a student and a member of the Revolutionary Student Mao Tseung Thought Propaganda Team) and Steve Smith (a worker) all made this quite clear in their statements to the court. Excerpts from these kangaroo court proceedings follow:

Comrade Alley: The ACWM (M-L) led a demonstration against the "hard-hat" march. After we successfully showed the paper-tiger nature of the fascist "hard-hats" the Cleveland Police then attacked us. We resisted that attack.

Fascist police: This man kicked, punched and scratched me. (Takes photo to judge.) This policeman in the photo is still out sick from injuries sustained at that time. (Applause from the courtroom)

Comrade Alley: Who Initiated the violence?

Prosecutor: Objection!

Judge: Sustained! (This is how fascist justice seeks to hide the truth to oppress the people.)

Voice from the audience: Self-defense, that's the question!

Comrade Alley: Doesn't this photo show me fighting against three fascists?

Fascist police: I see police, no fascists. (In front of the people, the police deny that they are fascists, but they boast about it loudly to the prisoners in the jails.)

Comrade Alley: In case you are confused on the question of fascism - if you obediently carry out orders of the monopoly capitalist class of exploiters and oppressors without asking questions then you are a fascist.

Prosecutor: Objection!

Judge: Sustained!

Comrade Alley: What were you doing with this club? (In photo)

Fascist Police: Defending myself. (Laughter in court.)

Comrade Alley: We acted in self-defense against the attack of the fascist police. We are only sorry that we did not fight harder.

Woman's voice heard from the hallway: Right on! Right on!

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Comrade Pyle: It is the right of the working class to defend itself whenever it is attacked, to use revolutionary violence against counter-revolutionary violence. This has been the struggle of the working class for 200 years. On July 26 we carried on the working class tradition of militant anti-fascist struggle and were attacked by the fascist police. We resisted that attack. This is fine! When people were brought to jail they were beaten...

Judge: I am not interested in what happened in jail. Confine yourself to the events of the 26th.

Comrade Pyle: This photograph on page two of MASS LINE shows the fight. This is my head (pointing it out to the judge), this is the policeman's blackjack, this is my blood.

Prosecution: Objection!

Judge: Overruled! (Only twice in seven cases did the judge rule against the prosecution.)

Prosecution: Did your group have a permit?

Comrade Pyle: It is not necessary for the people to have a permit to demonstrate against fascism.

Prosecutor: Were you carrying anything?

Comrade Pyle: Yes, newspapers. I arrived too late to get a flag or a poster.

Prosecutor: Did you kick, bite and scratch?

Comrade Pyle: If I had had the opportunity I would have done all those things.

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REVOLUTIONARY BOOKSTORE OPENS IN NEW YORK!

The new upsurge in the struggle of the American working class and people against the armed state of the monopoly capitalists has greatly increased the demand for Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought as a guide to making revolution. To meet this demand, the American Communist Workers Movement (Marxist-Leninist) proudly announces the opening of Progressive Books and Periodicals, a genuinely progressive bookstore, in New York August 4.

Progressive Books and Periodicals is the first bookstore of Mao Tsetung Thought in the United States! It is not a liberal bookstore, but a thoroughly communist bookstore. It carries only the works of Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin and Mao Tsetung, MASS LINE and the publications of our fraternal movements in Canada, Quebec, Ireland and England, and other literature from Socialist China and Albania. In this way Progressive Books and Periodicals is an instrument of the ACWM (M-L) and no one else, and it will develop Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line and nothing else.

To develop Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line in the concrete conditions of North America is to dare to disseminate Mao Tsetung Thought to the working and oppressed people and to dare to defend it by carrying out mass democratic ideological discussions and struggle among the people directed against the class enemy. At a meeting in New York called to halt the opening of this bright red bookstore, comrade Tim Hall, leading spokesman of the ACWM (M-L), declared: "To follow the mass democratic method in disseminating and defending Mao Tsetung Thought is the only way to oppose revisionism and release the initiative of the masses to fight the enemy. To oppose the dissemination of Mao Tsetung Thought or to disseminate Mao Tsetung Thought in a detached, abstract and dogmatic way and fail to develop mass democratic struggle, is to follow

revisionism and go against revolution. Our concrete practice in smashing the fascist "hard-hats" and resisting the fascist police in Cleveland fully bears this out. The opening of the first Progressive Books and Periodicals in the U.S. is a great help in further ap-



COMRADE JIM LAMPMAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE AMERICAN STUDENT MOVEMENT (ANTI-IMPERIALIST), HOLDS HIGH THE RED BOOK OF QUOTATIONS FROM CHAIRMAN MAO OUTSIDE THE FIRST BOOKSTORE OF MAO TSETUNG THOUGHT IN THE U.S., PROGRESSIVE BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

plying and developing this revolutionary method of work."

The broad masses have already shown great enthusiasm for Progressive Books and Periodicals. The revolutionary meeting rang with shouts of "LONG LIVE INVINCIBLE MARXISM-LENINISM-MAO TSETUNG THOUGHT!" "DEATH TO FASCISM!" and "LONG LIVE PROGRESSIVE BOOKS AND PERIODICALS!" Right from the start, people from the neighborhood and the New York area visited the bookstore and warmly approved the opening, buying many works of revolutionary literature. One postal worker commented, "I noticed that this whole block has changed. This bookstore is just fine!"

This bright red bookstore represents another nail in the coffin of the U.S. monopoly capitalist class. Fascist attacks on MASS LINE sellers and on the bookstores of our fraternal parties in Canada and Quebec, the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist) and the Communist Party of Quebec (Marxist-Leninist) fully demonstrate that the imperialist mortally fear the dissemination of Mao Tsetung Thought among the working and oppressed people. Their fright only confirms the truth of Chairman Mao's great statement: "ONCE THE CORRECT IDEAS CHARACTERISTIC OF THE ADVANCED CLASS ARE GRASPED BY THE MASSES, THESE IDEAS TURN INTO A MATERIAL FORCE WHICH CHANGES SOCIETY AND CHANGES THE WORLD." The ACWM (M-L) and its close supporters pledge to continue their policy of defending the people's democratic right to have revolutionary literature, to resolutely oppose all attacks on Progressive Books and Periodicals in order to proudly uphold the bright red flag of the proletariat and oppressed peoples!

Progressive Books and Periodicals is located at 237-A E. 10th St. (1st. Ave.), New York, open 2-8 daily. phone 228-8329.

RESISTANCE MOVEMENT (Continued from page 3.)

Comrade Smith: It is clear to the people here and to the people of America that they know the nature of the fascist courts and the fascist rulers of this country and they know they will get no justice and therefore I will give no details to 'defend' myself. (He points out that the police attacked first).

Judge: That's irrelevant.

Comrade Smith: It is always irrelevant to you when the people are attacked by the fascist police and courts, and the courts have persisted in attacking all the national minorities and especially the vanguard of the people, the ACWM (M-L), to keep them down and not allow them to fight for their democratic rights. Therefore the court is not interested in seeking truth from facts. So clearly there is no justice in this court.

Fascist police: This gentleman hit me over the head with a 2x2. I moved away and he hit me again. I tried to grab him but he got away, picked up another 2x2 and hit me again before I finally got handcuffs on him.

Comrade Smith: Didn't you pass police clubs to some "hard-hats" to hit me while you and three other lackey police held me down?

Fascist police: (after a long pause) No. (in whisper)

Comrade Smith: Didn't you hand police department Mace to the fascists? Didn't you yourself tell them, "Stop! It's getting on us now!"?

Fascist police: No. (still in whisper)

Comrade Smith: I charge this court and all courts in this country with being fascist courts. Your day of judgement is coming, judge. We are guilty of no crime, but the Cleveland Police and "hard-hats" are definitely guilty of crimes against the people -- they are the new Hitlerite "brown-shirts" under the leadership of fascist Nixon.

After comrade Steve so clearly summarized the central issues the lackey judge called a recess. All the comrades and supporters immediately stood up, held the cherished RED BOOKS high, and proudly sang the Internationale. They shouted: "LONG LIVE CHAIRMAN MAO! DEATH TO FASCISM! VICTORY TO THE AMERICAN WORKING CLASS! VICTORY TO THE HEROIC AFRO-AMERICAN PEOPLE!" and other

revolutionary slogans. In sharp contrast to the rising spirits of the revolutionary people, the reactionaries were in confusion and panic. One policeman asked another, "Do we have enough of us down here? There's going to be a fight!" A member of the ultra-fascist "anti-subversive squad" muttered, "The courts were not made to handle this sort of thing." In this he was quite right, for the entire system of bourgeois "justice" depends on fear, and when the revolutionary forces come up "FEARING NEITHER HARDSHIP NOR DEATH" and exposing all issues to the clear light of day, the fascist courts completely lose their power and turn from real tigers into contemptible paper tigers.

After the recess, the judge called the heroic communist fighters up to be sentenced. As mentioned before, one woman comrade was convicted, one was acquitted and charges were dropped against the third. Comrade Sally Hall was fined \$25 and costs on this anti-working class charge, and money was raised right in the court room to get her out. Comrade Jack Ailey was sentenced to 30 days and \$25 and costs on the "assault" charges. He shouted: "This court has shown that it approves of all the fascists' right to repress but not the peoples' right to rebel!" As four police pulled him out of court, he yelled: "DEATH TO FASCISM! LONG LIVE CHAIRMAN MAO!" Comrades Andy Pyle and Steve Smith received the same sentence and also denounced the court. Before Comrade Steve Smith was dragged out he turned to face the people and shouted "ADVANCE THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT FORWARD! 'LONG LIVE THE PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS!' and 'DOWN WITH THE FASCIST COURTS!' As each

one was led out of the court through the door in the back, the spectators could hear the strains of The Internationale being joyously sung by the convicted communists.

Comrade Barbara Cahn was called last. She was warmly applauded by the revolutionary people as she stepped up to hear herself convicted of all three charges and sentenced to a total of 60 days and \$75 and costs. The fascist judge, trying to sound "fair," threatened: "Despite the fact that you have not followed the rules of this court I do not want to add additional charges, but I will not hesitate to charge you with contempt!" Unafraid, comrade Barbara boldly declared: "I DO HAVE THE DEEPEST CONTEMPT FOR THIS COURT! FURTHER, IT IS A GREAT HONOR TO BE SENTENCED BY A FASCIST COURT. YOU, JUDGE, WILL BE HANGED BY THE PEOPLE VERY SOON. VERY SOON THE OPPRESSED PEOPLE OF AMERICA WILL RISE AND PUT AN END TO NIXON AND HIS CLIQUE. THEN THE WHOLE EARTH WILL BELONG TO THE PEOPLE AND NOT TO THE EXPLOITERS AND OPPRESSORS!" Comrade Barbara was dragged from the courtroom for the third time and she shouted "DEATH TO FASCISM!" and struggled bitterly against the jailers.

The revolutionary people of the whole courtroom stood, raised their fists, and once more sang The Internationale and The East Is Red. The fascist judge Pittardorf, thoroughly defeated by the militant battle of the seven communist defendants and afraid to give contempt sentences, said no more and walked into his chambers, leaving the courtroom to the revolutionaries.

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