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PEOPLE FREE ANGELA DAVIS

Angela Davis is free.

After 16 months in jail, and a trial lasting three months, Angela was freed June 4 after a California jury acquitted her of charges of murder, kidnap and conspiracy.

How did it happen that this revolutionary black woman, an avowed communist, hounded mercilessly for several years by the imperialists for her political beliefs and activities, was tried in the imperialists' own courts, by the imperialists' own laws, and was set free?

Does her release prove that "justice and a "fair trial" are possible in the imperialists' courts—even for revolutionaries who are committed to

overthrowing imperialism? Does it mean that imperialism's laws, courts, prisons, judges, police, and politicians don't function to protect the rich and powerful, the big corporations, don't oppress in countless ways the poor people, working people, and Black and other nationality people?

This was the conclusion that some politicians and commentators were quick to draw. Eric Sevareid and others cited her release as proof that the imperialist judicial system is fair and impartial.

But Angela Davis was freed in spite of the constant efforts of the system—FBI, police, prosecutors, prison, judge, state and national government—to sentence her

to the gas chamber or life imprisonment. **THE POWER OF THE PEOPLE FREED ANGELA DAVIS.**

As the repressive, frame-up nature of the case became clear, thousands of people began to organize. Rallies and benefits were held throughout the United States. "Free Angela" became a rallying cry at movement rallies, mass meetings, demonstrations and in the radical press. People around the world expressed their solidarity. When she finally came to trial, the case was so well known that the trial was followed by millions around the world, including 250 representatives of more than 100 news media.

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WHEN GUNS ARE OUTLAWED, ONLY THE RULING CLASS WILL HAVE GUNS



The Senate Judiciary Committee recently recommended passage of a bill that would outlaw the sale of pistols with less than a 3-inch barrel or an overall length of under 6 inches. Other bills introduced but not passed would have outlawed the sale of all handguns and required registration and licensing of rifles and shotguns. Meanwhile, a private business group, headed by an executive vice president of Standard Oil Co., has issued a report urging that the sale or

possession of all handguns, including parts and ammunition, be made a federal crime.

**THIS SAME GROUP
ADVOCATED THE LEGALIZATION
OF MARIJUANA AND GAMBLING.**

Both Senate bill and the businessmen's group, the Committee for Economic Development, would allow sale of handguns only to police and other government agencies.

These moves by the ruling class to

disarm the people come at a time when the people's resistance to government policies, such as the wage freeze and the war, is increasing. They coincide with the ruling class' move to create a mercenary army, completely removed from contact with the people. Pay scales for the armed forces are being raised, bonuses from \$1500 to \$3000 are being offered to induce enlistment, and the draft is being phased out.

The long-range goal is to disarm the people, while creating a reliable armed force capable of putting down revolution abroad or at home. Draftees have proven very unreliable in foreign counter-revolutionary war (Vietnam) and would be even less reliable for use against the American people.

A secondary aspect of these moves is to divert the people's struggles against the deteriorating conditions of U.S. society by the increased use of drugs, gambling, and, in some states, the legalization of prostitution. A drugged, disarmed population is far easier to control than an armed, politically conscious one!

The capitalists wail that they are only trying to prevent crime. This is a lie. It is the very conditions created by capitalism that are the source of crime. The biggest criminals are the capitalists themselves. The laws the ruling class would like to pass controlling guns would leave all the guns concentrated in the hands of the police and mobsters. Ordinary working people would be the only ones deprived of firearms.

If the capitalists want to control crime, let them provide everyone with a decent job at a decent income, and provide housing instead of rat-infested slums. Let them launch a genuine attack on organized crime and heroin dealers, instead of harassing people on the street while letting the real profiteers from the drug traffic go free.

But these are the last things the capitalists will do. The so-called "friends of the people," like liberals Kennedy, Bayh, and the AFL-CIO bureaucrats, would rather disarm the people, leaving the real criminals with the guns. It is a democratic right of the people to own firearms. Communists and class-conscious workers should oppose any effort of the ruling class to disarm the people.

RULING CLASS DECLARES OPEN SEASON ON BLACK PEOPLE

Christopher Greenway now lies paralyzed as a result of a racist attack by Atlanta police detective W. E. Thompson.

"I had my hands up like this," Greenway said, holding his hands up with palms out.

"I kept saying 'I work here,' and he kept on shooting. He didn't yell halt, or police, or nothing. He just fired."

Greenway, who worked at a clothing store on Forsyth Street, was shot five times when he grabbed a gun and chased a shoplifter out of the store. He dropped the gun on the first of the five shots and raised his hands-but Detective Thompson kept on shooting.

Greenway was hit in the hip and back and is paralyzed from the waist down. Detective Thompson is still on duty.

The Atlanta newspapers called it an accidental shooting and police boss Inman pre-judged it as a "tragic mistake," and then called for an "investigation."

ACCIDENT OR PATTERN?

This is nothing but a whitewash of the truth. Greenway's shooting is not an accident, but just another incident in the pattern of police terror against black people and working people.

Is it any different from the cold-blooded murder of Andre Moore in Summerhill by Atlanta police? Is it any



Chris Greenway shot five times, not by accident but because police are conditioned to see all black people as potential enemies of the system.

different from the brutal beating of Tommy Mims and two friends on Pine Street last year by Atlanta police? Is it any different from the attempted lynching of Henry Whitlock when he was arrested by Atlanta police?

It was not an accident or an isolated "bad cop." Policemen are hired to do the work of protecting the capitalists' property and the capitalist system. They are trained to see black, working people and poor people as enemies.

They are under orders of the capitalists government. Whenever people fight back against their oppression-on the picketline, in demonstrations against the war, etc.-the police are ordered out by the ruling class to protect "holy" capitalist property, and to do it with guns if necessary.

So police are conditioned to see certain classes of people as enemies of the system and the government. Automatically they assume that certain people-because of their color and class-are guilty.

That is why Chris Greenway-a young man with an Afro-was shot five times without warning. And that is why it was no accident, but part of a pattern of brutality and terror directed at working people and black people.

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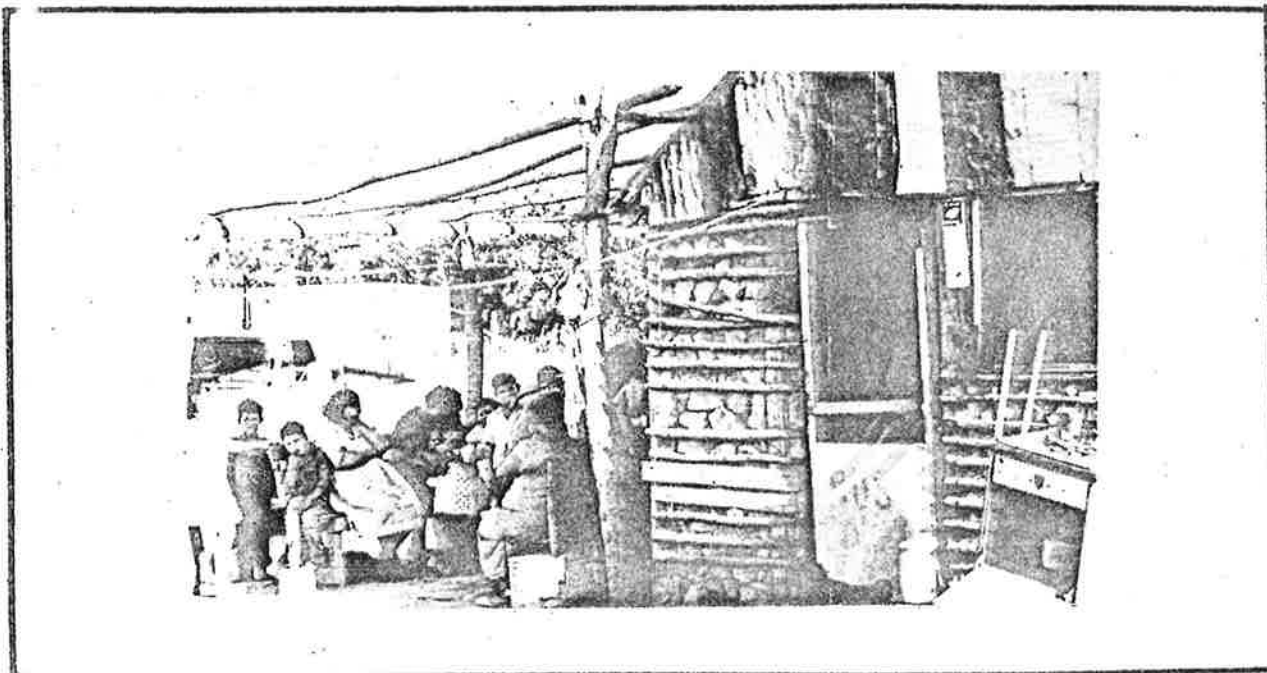
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HENRY WHITLOCK!

SKYJACKER EXPOSES CONDITIONS

STOP DEPORTATION



Last March, out of sheer desperation, Ricardo Chavez Ortiz, a 37-year-old Mexican National from the state of Michoacan, Mexico, hijacked an airplane from Denver to Los Angeles. His purpose was not to get a lot of money for himself like most hijackers, but to force the media to tell the truth about the deplorable living conditions and the recent fascist deportations of Mexican and Mexican-American working people in the United States.

Chavez Ortiz had first-hand experience. He has lived in this country for 14 years with the daily fear of deportation and for the survival of his family of ten. He worked at the worst types of jobs (his last job was as a dishwasher) and did everything he could to fulfill his responsibilities, but he was forced into the ranks of the unemployed due to constant layoffs.

He demanded a live radio broadcast in California to air these hardships. He spoke in Spanish, his native language, so that he could be clearly understood by his people.

These deportations are not a new policy in the U.S. During a time of war or strikes, the U.S. sends tales of a promised land to Mexico, and "guarantees"

Mexicans jobs and financial security. When the wars are ended or the strikes are over, our brothers and sisters are uprooted from their homes and jobs, forced across the border and left destitute.

This happened during World War II. When the soldiers came home, the borders were cut off and deportations began. An even more organized form of exploitation called the Bracero Program was put into effect. It differed in that workers had to sign a contract designating a set wage, job and time limit in the country, to get into the U.S. This program held from World War II until 1963. When the Korean War veterans were shipped home, one million people—regardless of legal status—were deported across the border.

To justify these actions, the ruling class here tells us that these people are the cause of our unemployment and high cost of living.

The facts here leave no question in mind but that it is the capitalists who are our enemy, not the Mexican people. Of the estimated 6 million unemployed people in this country today, only 50,000 of these are in the country illegally. Even if all of these people had jobs, they would

account for only 1% of the nationally unemployed. But the ruling class does not want to bear the burden of the oppression of these people. They continue to exploit the Mexican nation, to keep it from developing so that they can gain ever higher profits from cheap labor in that country. Their attempts to deport Mexican people are nothing but a smokescreen to hide their ruthless exploitation.

One of the biggest dangers to this corrupt ruling class is the growing unity of the workers of all nationalities. That is why they spread these vicious lies about aliens causing unemployment and increasing the welfare rolls.

Ricardo Chavez Ortiz risked his life to expose these atrocities. He knew these lies of the capitalists well, and he was willing to put his life on the line to bring the American and Mexican people closer together to fight to end these fascist deportations and for the right of all Mexican and Mexican-American people for equality and justice.

FREE CHAVEZ ORTIZ!
FIGHT THE FASCIST
DEPORTATIONS!
WORKERS AND OPPRESSED
PEOPLES UNITE!

NATIONAL OPPRESSION INEVITABLE UNDER CAPITALISM

IRISH PEOPLE STRUGGLE AGAINST BRITISH IMPERIALISM



Northern Irish youth hurl rocks at British occupation troops. The Irish struggle for liberation and independence from imperialist domination is a just struggle deserving the support of people all over the world.

The Irish people's struggle against British domination goes back several hundred years. The current struggle in northern Ireland, which is still occupied by the British, is a continuation of this struggle. In 1916, the Irish people began to wage guerrilla war against the occupying British troops. By 1921, they had forced the British to grant independence to all but six counties in the north. However, to this day, British monopoly capitalism maintains economic domination over all of Ireland.

Ireland is a nation. It has been exploited and dominated by British capitalism, whom it has served as a source of cheap raw material and cheap labor. Irish workers are the lowest paid of any workers in the British Isles. Over the years, thousands of Irish farmers were forced off their land by British monopolies and forced to work in the factories of the British capitalists.

The struggle of the Irish people is a national liberation struggle. It is a struggle to free the Irish people from the domination of a foreign power.

The development of "free enterprise" capitalism into monopoly capitalism, i.e., imperialism, forces states like Britain and the U.S. constantly to seek domination over other nations.

Monopoly capitalism is driven by its need for constantly increasing profits. Therefore, the imperialist states must find sources of cheap labor and materials as well as new areas in which to invest capital. This economic basis of imperialism forces imperialist powers to try and bring other nations under their control.

Ireland is only one example of a nation exploited by imperialism. U.S. aggression in Vietnam and Korea, the support of pro-U.S. puppet dictatorships in various countries, Britain's support of the racist, colonial governments in Zimbabwe (Rhodesia) and South Africa, the exploitation of nationalities such as Afro-Americans and Mexican-Americans in the U.S., are all examples of national oppression by imperialism.

WORKING CLASS MUST SUPPORT NATIONAL LIBERATION STRUGGLES

An important aspect of British rule in Ireland is that it holds back the British

working class. Irish workers are forced to work for less, thus holding down the pay scale of all English workers. British workers are encouraged by the ruling class to see the Irish worker as an enemy that lowers his standard of living.

"This antagonism," as Karl Marx pointed out over 100 years ago, "is artificially kept alive and intensified by the press, the pulpit, the comic papers, in short, by all the means at the disposal of the ruling classes."

This is still true today. In Northern Ireland, even though the Protestant (English) worker is paid less than anywhere else in England, he is still kept a notch above the Catholic (Irish) worker.

However, in spite of the propaganda of the British capitalists, a growing movement exists among British workers in support of the Irish people. Dozens of demonstrations have been held in Britain demanding that British troops be removed from northern Ireland. The basis of this support is class consciousness. The awareness on the part of British workers that they are exploited by the same class of robbers that exploit the Irish nation leads to a firm alliance

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SOCIAL IMPERIALISM IN ACTION

SOVIET REVISIONISTS

SCHEME WITH NIXON

The leaders of the Soviet Union have once again proven themselves socialists in words only! Their recent wheelings and dealings with Nixon over Vietnam clearly show these revisionists for what they are—socialist in words, imperialist in deeds. And like the U.S. imperialists, the Soviet "social-imperialists" have interests all over the world.

The drive to grab more profits from the peoples of the world constantly causes conflicts between those "super-powers." They struggle desperately over the Middle East, in the Mediterranean, in India, South America, and Africa. In India, Soviet imperialism secured a temporary victory over its U.S. imperialist rival; in the Middle East, U.S. imperialism secured a temporary victory over its Soviet imperialist rival. Such victories can only be temporary, because in the end, the people will defeat them both.

But in the meantime, these imperialist rivals will go on struggling to divide up the world and to fight over the spoils.

U.S. — U.S.S.R. UNITED IN OPPOSITION TO THE PEOPLE

The other side of their relations is that they are united in their opposition to liberation struggles everywhere.

These two "super-powers" recently met in Moscow to cook up conspiracies against the world's people.

The Moscow meeting between the Russians and U.S. was an attempt to reach a temporary agreement on their conflicts while tightening and extending their collusion against the people.

In such a meeting there was bound to be "give and take" over how to divide up the world. Since the meeting it has become clear that the Soviet revisionists "gave" up all principles in regard to supporting the Vietnamese struggle. They came out of the Moscow talks singing a reactionary duet with Nixon over Vietnam.

They have encouraged increased U.S. government aggression by making little or no effort to overcome Nixon's blockade. They try to justify this capitulation by whimpering that communists and revolutionary people should turn tail and avoid an "identical repetition of the methods used by the class enemy."

They do not treat their aid to Vietnam as their internationalist duty. Instead they act in a true imperialist manner, strutting around like fat roosters, bragging about their aid exaggerating its importance and down-playing the magnificent efforts of the Vietnamese people.

In true imperialist fashion, they

throw this aid up to the Vietnamese while pushing their rotten political advice to undercut the struggle. For example, in a recent radio broadcast they beamed to Vietnam they echoed Nixon's gangster logic by preaching that "the Vietnam problem cannot be solved by military means," and that it "can only be ended by negotiations."

Nixon and Brezhnev came out of their talks mouthing high phrases about "peace and security." The idea of "peace" for these two imperialists is peace with oppression—when they say "security," they mean the security of their capitalist investments all over the world. Their main danger is the revolt, rebellion and revolution of the people of the world against imperialism. In that, they are both targets and they have a common interest to crush revolt, rebellion and revolution.

As for their imperialist rivalry it is an objective fact; it will go on and develop. It cannot be solved. Any agreement between the Soviet imperialists and US imperialists can only be temporary and unstable. It is no different from the various imperialist agreements historically such as those between Germany and France of the US and Japan.

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Capitalism has been restored in the Soviet Union. The Soviet ruling class acts like a "superpower" imperialist and looks for ways to expand and exploit other countries—like Vietnam.



*These pictures come from a book from People's China showing
the heroic struggle of the men and women of Vietnam*



The Vietnamese people will not allow the Soviet social imperialists to bully them into surrender.

GEORGIA DOCTOR USES POOR WOMEN AS GUINEA PIGS

According to Dr. Robert Greenblatt, of the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta, poor women don't mind headaches as much as rich women do. That's why his new once-a-month birth control pill, which has also caused nausea and bleeding, is being used on poor women in Mexico and Chile. Dr. Greenblatt thinks it would be OK for poor women in the U.S. at a later date.

In an interview with the Associated Press, Greenblatt said that "poor women is not likely to worry about a headache, or a little spotting, whereas a woman in our upper middle class is likely to think it's a disaster."

So today the pill is being tested on Latin American women, with poor women everywhere as the target. This blatantly racist, anti-working class attitude is the view of imperialism toward the working people of the world, especially black and brown women. If the pill harms the thousands of women now using it, it won't be any loss to the



capitalists. The so-called scientists and doctors who serve the capitalist ruling class believe that it is quite all right to experiment with the health and lives of people in oppressed nations in order to further their "science."

The imperialists, and their well-paid lackeys like Greenblatt, are not only willing to experiment with the health and lives of poor and oppressed people, but they push on them the reactionary political view that "poverty is caused by having too many children"—not by the imperialist system which robs and exploits the people of the world.

The imperialists want people to believe that birth control is the solution. But the people will not be fooled. The "birth control philosophy" is a tool of the imperialists. The only way to end poverty is through revolution to change

the system so that all people can have jobs, health care, and freely chosen birth control.

IRELAND

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between English workers and the national struggle in Ireland.

IMPERIALISM HIDES BEHIND MANY MASKS

Ireland is also a prime example of how the ruling class uses racial, national, or religious differences to mask imperialism and maintain its rule. The British imperialists try to make their national oppression of the Irish people appear as a religious conflict—Protestant vs. Catholic. They fan religious hatred, while exploiting the workers of both religions.

The original English colonizers of Ireland were Protestants. They established British rule over the Irish people, who were Catholic. The British ruling class uses this religious difference to cover up its exploitation and oppression of all the Irish people



JUST STRUGGLES SUPPORT EACH OTHER

The struggle of oppressed nations

whether in Ireland, Vietnam or elsewhere, weaken the rule of monopoly capital everywhere.

The enemy of British workers and oppressed Irish Catholics is the same—the British monopoly capitalist class. The enemy of the Vietnamese people and the U. S. working class and national minorities is the same—the U.S. millionaire class of Rockefellers, Kennedys, DuPonts, etc., and their various paid flunkies.

The just struggles of the people of the world support each other, and it is the unity of these struggles that will eventually bring imperialism and national oppression to an end.

THAILAND: THE NEXT VIETNAM?

As U.S. troops supposedly leave South Vietnam, large numbers have entered Thailand. The U.S. government has opened several new bases in Thailand, and total troop strength has gone up sharply in the last several months. Much of the bombing over Vietnam is now done from Thailand.

But Thailand is not as secure a base for U.S. aggression as the imperialists would like. A strong, communist-led national liberation movement is developing in Thailand, and the U.S.' puppets in Bangkok have been unable to stop it.

The Thai liberation movement now

controls the three northern provinces of the country, has set up governing bodies in over 200 villages, and has wide influence among the people throughout Thailand.

As early as 1968, the Thai liberation fighters drove the government police from the Lom Sak area, 300 miles north of Bangkok. A recent government attempt to retake the area was a dismal failure. 12,000 Thai troops plus their American "advisers" and tons of U.S. equipment were unable to produce any captured weapons or bodies, although they claimed to have killed "many, many Insurgents."

According to sources in Bangkok, reported in the New York Times, government troops suffered 60 killed and over 200 wounded. According to observers in Thailand, the entire operation was similar to the Saigon puppet regime's efforts in the early 1960's to repress its own people.

The Thai people's revolutionary movement is growing, and as increased numbers of U.S. troops move into Thailand, the Thai people's resistance will become stronger. The U.S. imperialists and their puppets will meet the same fate in Thailand as they have in Vietnam.

WORKS OF MARX, ENGELS, LENIN, STALIN and MAO



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CAPITALISTS DON'T CARE OLD PEOPLE THROWN ASIDE



In capitalist America everything has a price tag—even life itself. The following UPI article, which we are reprinting unchanged from the capitalist Journal, points up one solution capitalism offers old people when failing health and declining income make the price tag too high.

“MIAMI” (UPI) — Retired iron worker Elisha Campbell, 81, gathered his family around him and faced the toughest decision of his life.

“Mrs. Campbell, also 81, was bedridden and Campbell no longer could care for both of them.

“The way detective Mike Gonzalez told it Tuesday, Campbell talked the matter over Monday night at his home with his son and daughter and their mates.

“They agreed that Mrs. Campbell needed 24-hour nursing home care, Gonzalez said.

“But Campbell could not afford a nursing home and neither could his son and daughter.

“Finally, Gonzalez said, ‘the older man got up. He said, ‘Mom and I have lived too long. I think I have a solution.’”

“Before the others guessed his intention, the detective said, Campbell disappeared into the bedroom where his wife lay.

“The younger couples heard two shots.

“Gonzalez said they rushed in and found that the older man had shot his wife to death with an automatic pistol, then killed himself.”

ANGELA

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Angela Davis is free-for now. But she was only one of thousands of political prisoners in the imperialists' jails. Her co-defendant Ruchell Magee, charged in the same case, awaits trial. The persecution of Rap Brown, members of the Republic of New Africa, Black Panther Party activists and other Black leaders continues. Many others, like George Jackson and Fred Hampton, have already been murdered in cold blood by the imperialists. As the struggles of the oppressed Afro-American and other national minorities rise, imperialism is threatened and responds in more and more fascist, repressive ways. But such repressive attacks, while they may appear terrifying at first, actually are a sign of the imperialists' growing weakness, not their strength. They are resorting to brute force because all their “legal” and “democratic” tricks have failed to stop the rising anti-imperialist struggles. Over

the long haul, we can see clearly that imperialism is a paper tiger.

For the immediate future, however, imperialism remains strong enough to continue its fascist, repressive policies.

The number of political prisoners in imperialism's jails continues to grow. Nor is the repression confined only to the political movements; as it becomes increasingly random, people like Brother Henry Whitlock of Decatur, a black GM worker who had not been involved in political movements at all, find themselves on death row on trumped-up charges. We must fight for the release of Henry Whitlock, Ruchell Magee, Rap Brown, and all political prisoners.

We must bring the real criminals to trial before the people of the world—Nixon, Rockefeller, Laird, the small handful of millionaires and billionaires and their imperialist system!



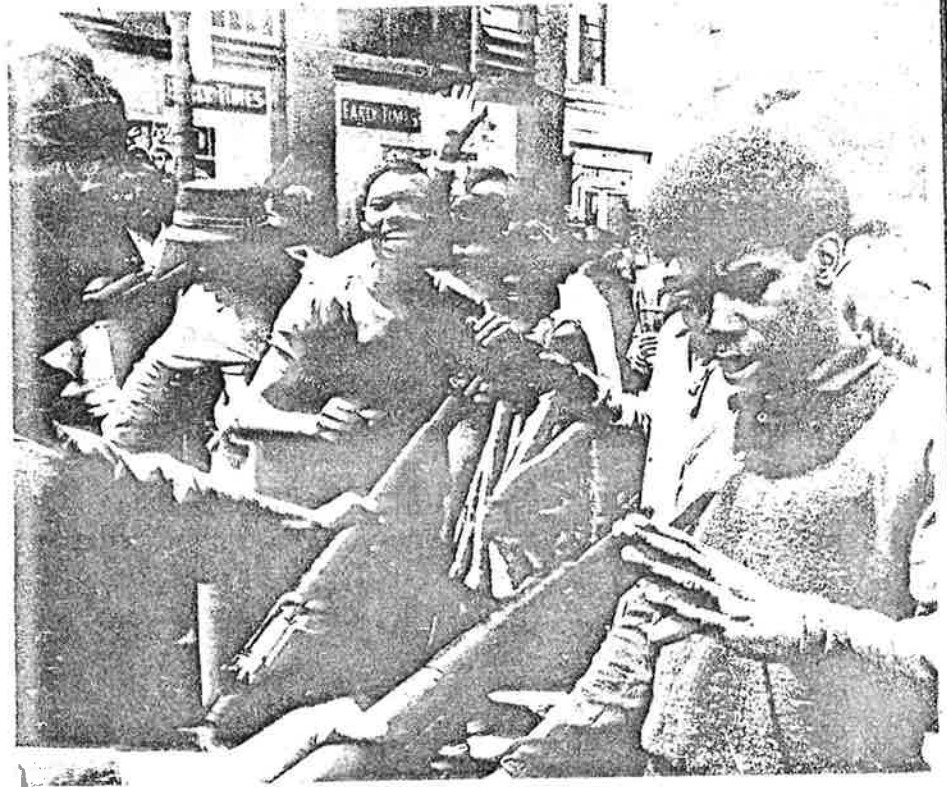
Police Brutality

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SANCTIONED BY GOVERNMENT

This pattern of brutality and terror has long been approved by the city government. Time and time again the legal lynchers in uniform attack the people and get off scott free. In fact, they are usually rewarded with a paid vacation-suspension with pay. The ruling class, through its inaction on the murder of Andre Moore and the beating of Tommy Mims, has given a green light to police to terrorize the people.

The Aldermanic police committee is supposed to review police brutality, but it does nothing more than shield the police department from the protests of the people. The city government and the courts have done so little about such cases that it is clear that police terror is an unofficial policy of the government and of Atlanta's ruling class—a policy designed to keep down the just struggles of the people against the system.



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This disgusting display by Brezhnev and Co. was the opposite of the principled stand taken by People's China during Nixon's visit there. Nixon was forced to go to China by the successes of the world revolutionary movement and the complete collapse of his anti-China policy. China was also duty-bound to take advantage of the contradictions which are bound to sharpen between the two super powers—Soviet revisionism and US imperialism.

It made no concession whatever on the people's rights nor did it even contemplate bartering the rights of other peoples. People's China has not moved one inch from its firm stand on Vietnam. On June 21st, for example, the People's Republic of China stated: "...it is the unshirkable internationalist duty of the Chinese people to support and assist the Vietnamese people in their war against US aggression and for national salvation. No matter what circumstances may yet arise in this war, we will resolutely support the Vietnamese and other Indochinese peoples in carrying their war of resistance to the end, till complete victory is won..." Its whole actions and policies demonstrate by vivid contrast just how foul and rotten the Soviet-US imperialist meeting was.

Soviet Revisionists





PEOPLE OF THE WORLD UNITE TO DEFEAT U.S. IMPERIALISM!

Despite pouring rain more than 300 people turned out on June 19 in Atlanta to protest Nixon's increased aggression against Vietnam. More than 500 had attended the antiwar picnic in Grant Park on June 18. The occasion was a promised visit from Nixon to Atlanta to speak to a Jaycee convention. (Nixon didn't show--but sent his hard line stooge, Agnew.)

This spring millions of people all over the world took part in demonstrations like this to show their opposition to Nixon's fascist policies of increased bombing and mining of Vietnamese harbors.

The more the U.S. imperialist ruling class steps up its efforts to subvert the independence of countries like Vietnam, the more the people of the world will unite to fight back and defeat these reactionary measures.

The U.S. ruling class is making one last desperate attempt to win a military victory in Vietnam. We must struggle even harder at this time to unite all who can be united--workers, national minorities, students, women, youth and all who oppose the war--and fight to defeat the U.S. imperialist aggression in Vietnam.

