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Defend Iranian Students!

U.S. & FRANCE ATTACK C.I.S.N.U.



Demonstrations have been held worldwide to protest the arrests of the Paris 2 and the Houston 92. The demonstrators also voiced support with the Confederation of Iranian Students which is organizing to expose the truth about the fascist government in Iran.

As we have reported in the REVOLUTIONARY CAUSE the World Confederation of Iranian Students (CISNU) is under severe attack by the forces of the fascist Shah of Iran, and of world imperialism. On November 3, 1976 French police invaded the Paris headquarters of CISNU and arrested two of its members, Nadar Oskoui and Reza Takbiri. Four other members of CISNU were summarily deported from France and forced to seek political asylum in Sweden.

In response to this terrorist attack on CISNU the Iranian Students in the U.S. organized a 24-hour vigil at the French consulate in Houston, Texas. The Houston police furiously assaulted this peaceful vigil, but it was only after the Iranian students defended themselves for four hours that the police was able to arrest 92 of them. The Iranian students then organized a hunger strike inside the jail. They have been threatened with deportation by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service on the grounds of "missing school for three days while in jail." Since these arrests have taken place there have been demonstrations throughout the world in support of the brave fighters of CISNU.

CISNU

The World Confederation of Iranian Students has been the main voice of opposition to the Shah outside of Iran for the past 16 years. In stark contrast to the brutal and autocratic regime of the Shah, which can survive only through repression and torture, the CISNU is an open and democratic anti-imperialist organization dedicated to the goal of a free and independent Iran. They have steadily succeeded in tearing off the veil of lies woven by U.S. imperialism around the fascist dictatorship of the Shah, and exposing the ruthless imperialist exploitation of Iran.

As a tribute to their effectiveness the Shah outlawed CISNU in 1971. When that failed to deter these courageous patriots he declared membership in CISNU a crime punishable by death (1975). But threats of torture, deportation and death have only spurred CISNU to intensified efforts on behalf of the liberation struggle of their people. They have organized and led many demonstrations, conferences, cultural programs, and increased the distribution of literature which tells the truth about the alliance between U.S. imperialism and the Shah of Iran.

In an attempt to crush CISNU the Shah has unleashed his notorious secret police, the SAVAK, against the Iranian students abroad. The SAVAK, famous for its torture of Iranian revolutionaries, was developed, equipped and trained by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency. But why would the United States be interested in Iran?

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International Working Women's Day - 1977 FIGHT FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS

On March 8, 1908 thousands of women garment and textile workers in New York City joined in a march organized by socialist women to demand an end to the sweatshop conditions, child labor and the right to vote. This march was such an inspiration to working men and women around the world that two years later, German socialists proposed that March 8 be established as a working class holiday, International Working Women's Day (IWWD). IWWD was founded not only to commemorate the past struggles of working women for their emancipation, but also to mobilize broad sections of women through parades and demonstrations throughout the world in a fight against capitalism, the wage-slave system that is at the root of women's oppression. Around the world women have taken up this fight, whether it be in national liberation movements in Asia, Africa or the Middle East or in the struggle to build a socialist society in Albania or China.

In the United States, the role women have played and continue to play in the struggle for their own emancipation, as well as that of the entire working class has been just as heroic. Black women in the struggle first against slavery and then against capitalism, women factory workers of all nationalities in the bitter struggles to better their wages and working conditions, women farm workers in the long and deadly fight to unionize agribusiness.

But the struggle for the liberation of women is far from over. While women comprise 40% of the total work force in this country, they are

the "last hired and first fired" and the capitalists force 1/3 of them into part-time jobs. They do this by refusing to provide childcare facilities and thus denying women the fringe benefits and promotions that come with full-time work. Women are concentrated in tedious, low-paying jobs like those in garment sweatshops, electronics assembly, sales and clerical services. And the trade union bureaucrats, in fulfilling their role as puppets of the capitalists, refuse to organize these industries. Recent figures show that the gap between men and women's wages has DOUBLED in the last two decades. Add to this a rise of at least 40% in inflation over this period and the fact that an increasing number of women are heads of households. The result? The brutal oppression of women under capitalism.

Oppressed nationality women suffer even more under capitalism. They are forced into the most menial degrading and lowest-paying jobs. And now, the capitalists are trying to blame the oppressed nationalities for the unemployment and hunger of the present economic crisis, so they can carry out one of the most criminal and murderous forms of national oppression: FORCED STERILIZATIONS. Hundreds of thousands of women have been forcibly sterilized in the United States and its colony of Puerto Rico in the last 15 years. 40% of the women in Puerto Rico have been sterilized. The U.S. Indian Health Service forcibly sterilized more than 3,400 Native American women from 1973-1975. GENOCIDE is the capitalist "solution" to the problems of unemployment and hunger!

The continuing resistance of women to oppression around the world demands that all working men and women and Communists join in to use IWWD to take up and carry on the fight for full democratic rights for all working and oppressed women. We must demand and fight for the unionization of all unorganized women workers for equal pay for equal work, for paid maternity leave for working women, and for free worker-controlled childcare centers so that women can be free to fully participate in the struggle to overthrow capitalism. WE MUST DEMAND AND FIGHT FOR AN IMMEDIATE END TO FORCED STERILIZATIONS.

The working class must fight for all of this and more, so we can defeat the capitalists' attempts to keep us divided, men against women, nationality against nationality. Only this way can we forge the unity necessary to smash the killer system of capitalism once and for all and usher in a new era in which the armed power of working men and women of all nationalities will rule over the United States. ★



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MALCOLM X: REVOLUTIONARY LEADER



revolt of the American Negro as simply a racial conflict of Black against white. Rather, today we are seeing a global rebellion of the oppressed against the oppression and colonialism which has characterized this era."

Malcolm X 2/19/65

During the 1960's the storm of the Afro-American liberation struggle swept across the U.S., showing the powerful revolutionary force of the more than 30 million Afro-Americans. Each new struggle brings forward heroes who lead the masses, heroes born from the masses. Malcolm X was such a leader who reflected the struggle of the Afro-American people.

Malcolm X was a revolutionary who actively supported national liberation struggles around the world. Here in the U.S., he spoke for millions of revolutionary Black people when he advocated armed self-defense and armed struggle, constantly speaking out against all attempts to divert the Afro-Americans from their revolutionary path. He fought to raise the question of self-determination, the question of land and the right to decide the political future of the Afro-American Nation. For all of this, the capitalists had him murdered on February 21, 1965.

To give of ourselves completely, to fear neither hardship nor death in our common struggle to free all oppressed nations and peoples -- these are the lessons of the life of Malcolm X. ★

"We are living in an era of revolution, and the revolt of the American Negro is part of the oppression and colonialism that has characterized this era... It is incorrect to classify the



Chinese Revolutionary Art Exhibit

"All our literature and art are for the masses of the people. They are created for the workers, peasants and soldiers and are for their use. Literature and art must operate as powerful weapons for uniting and educating the people and for attacking and destroying the enemy"

-Mao Tse-tung

The showing of the East is Red from the Peoples Republic of China is the first presentation in this country of sculptures showing the oppression and revolt of the Chinese people

The sculptures tell the story of rent collection - peasants taxed for their last bit of grain, forced to sell their children to pay rent. It tells the story of revolt as the peasants along with the Chinese Communist Party overthrow the feudal landlords, foreign imperialists and their puppets within China and begin the task of building China into the socialist country it is today

The US-China People's Friendship Assn. is exhibiting this revolutionary art until February 8th at the Long Beach Museum of Art, 2300 East Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, California ★

LETTERS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

WE INVITE ALL OF YOU TO WRITE UP YOUR COMMENTS, CRITICISMS, AND SUGGESTIONS REGARDING THE REVOLUTIONARY CAUSE - A.T.M. - STRUGGLES YOU'RE INVOLVED IN - AND THE STATE OF THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT. HERE ARE SOME OF THE LETTERS WE HAVE BEEN RECEIVING

Comrades of ATM.

I am glad to get a response from you, I did not really expect one and it proved to me that ATM is an organization which takes the time to relate to deal with individual common people or the masses in general. I have really been hung up by organizations like MLOC which acts as if they could not care one way or another if comrades and people who are attracted to their revolutionary communist theory ever come into contact with them.

I hope I can be of some help to ATM in the struggle. I do go to a lot of demonstrations in the Bay area. I attend many forums and rallies -- this is about my only way of practicing the Marxist-Leninist theory I study, since I am not a member of any organization. Not because I don't want to be (or even to do some work for a Marxist-Leninist organization). I would look upon it as a serious task and a privilege. I would like to know what I could do in the future to aid the Revolutionary Cause. My views on the American Indian national question is that it is not dealt with seriously by most communist organizations and is usually mentioned in passing. They are the original colonized people, and because they are few in number does not mean that they should be just considered as a minority, they are most surely an oppressed nationality.

I support your position on self-determination including right to secession of the Chicano nation, few Marxist-Leninist organizations have done much analysis of the Chicano National question.

I do believe I am capable of covering political events and of writing from a communist perspective. Please let me know how I could go about covering some political events of the oppressed nationalities and the working class as a whole.

In struggle,
WM

Dear W.M. - Your enthusiasm is inspiring !!

We invite all of our readers to send in reports of their struggles, or of any significant struggles in their area. We also invite any articles of political analysis or comment on important questions facing the working class movement.

We look forward to your input and see that you are truly MAKING THE REVOLUTIONARY CAUSE YOUR OWN!!

Communist Greetings
REVOLUTIONARY CAUSE

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Dear Comrades

I was particularly impressed with your article "The Revolutionary Cause and Our Tasks". Also the article on Sadlowski. I am looking forward to reading your newspaper in its new form. It should be of great assistance in practical work.

I would like a subscription of Red Banner and I'm sending a little extra because I know you can use it.

L.J.
Seattle, Washington

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Dear Comrades

The ATM's polemic on the PRRWO/RWL was very helpful in understanding the degeneration of the "Revolutionary Wing". What has happened to many of the good elements that were "purged"? I understand that some of them especially from the RWL have moved towards the WVO. Here in Hawaii the WVO is basically exposed. At least three members of that organization have left it so far this year, including the two that had rather strong mass ties.

I guess there is no real need to develop a polemic against the WVO, for their paper is the best negative evidence. However, some comment on what kinds of activities they are engaged in on the West Coast would be interesting. From what I understand the WVO in Hawaii has practically no contacts with the masses in any organized fashion.

In Hawaii, the RCP is still the largest force in the left, but cracks are beginning to appear in their hegemony. On campus the RSB is totally isolated. The RSB (Revolutionary Student Brigade) has done a very good job of turning many students totally against politics. It seems though they are moving towards some sort of "Young Communist League", with their high school group Youth United. I wonder if on the mainland the RCP is also trying to form a "YCL"? I think the Revolutionary Cause should continue its occasional comments on the RCP. It is important for us to be aware of what these "new" revisionists are doing.

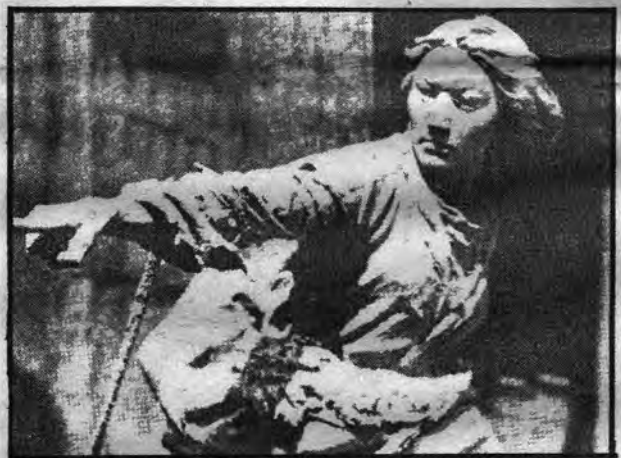
I think the OL has strong right opportunist tendencies, and I think that their "Party-Building" efforts are not honest. But principled struggle is still needed. Perhaps a lot of my uncertainty may come from my lack of direct contact with the OL. There are no OL people in Hawaii, yet thus, I would like further information on the OL. In particular, Revolutionary Cause has mentioned how the OL is not uniting with any national groups. I wonder if the ATM(M-L) has any information on the origin of the groups that are uniting with the OL?

In any case, I will be looking forward to receiving and reading Revolutionary Cause, organ of the August 29th Movement (M-L).

With Communist Greetings,
F.K.

Dear F.K. - Your letter provides good insight into the situation in your area. You ask for more information regarding the WVO, OL, and ex-PRRWO members. Revolutionary Cause includes an article on the WVO in this issue (one in #11 too). Our new theoretical journal THE RED BANNER contains an article on the OL and a statement by the ex-PRRWO members. We look forward to your comments on these articles and on any future information that you can share with us regarding the state of the struggles of the people in your area!

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ARMED CHILILI VILLAGERS BLOCK STATE

Chicano Farmers Defend Their LAND

On September 1, 1976 over 30 armed Chicano villagers from Chilili, New Mexico blocked and halted construction of a road which crossed near the village. The road would have opened up the area for more land development, aimed at increasing tourist trade to the area. Such development could only come at the expense of the villagers of Chilili. For over seven years the villagers of Chilili have tried to protect their land in U.S. courts. They have seen the case of the Chilili Land Grant go from the municipal court all the way to the Supreme court. The courts have consistently sided with the rich landgrabbers and the politicians who want to parcel out the common lands to land developers and to the state of New Mexico, which wants to convert the land into a recreational park for tourists.

Frustrated by the legal handcuffs of capitalism the villagers had no choice but to reach for their arms and defend their land with their lives. They blocked the development of the road on the property of Ty Cobb, an Anglo rancher who gained land title through fraud--a common means of robbing Chicano lands since the mid 1800's. When Cobb was unable to remove the angry villagers he called in the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department who sent their entire day shift of officers. In addition 6 cars from the New Mexico State police and a SWAT team armed with bullet-proof vests and M-16 rifles were sent to the scene of the confrontation. Ultimately 50 squad cars filled the area and prevented supporters from reaching the embattled villagers. A captain French of the Sheriff's Department expressed the sentiment of the

state forces, "They ought to kill all those damn people of Chilili and clean up the village and plant trees in its place." His statement expresses the reactionary sentiment of the oppressor nation capitalists who have tried for over a hundred years to crush the national sentiments and aspirations of the Chicano people.

THE FIGHT FOR THE LAND GRANT

Chilili, New Mexico is a Chicano mountain village 35 miles southeast of Albuquerque. It was originally a land grant of 41,486 acres given to 20 families in 1841 by the Mexican government. This grant was confirmed by the U.S. Congress in 1858 and the villagers right to govern and manage the grant was protected by the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo of 1848. This latter treaty provided for the recognition of all land grants by the U.S. government. In fact only 37 have been so recognized, the other 977 were stolen through fraud or violence. The Chicano people will never rest until all of their homeland has been returned to their control.

The U.S. government immediately violated the Treaty by imposing land taxes on all grants and common lands. Very often the people had to pay their taxes with parcels of land from the grant itself. Thus more and more land fell into the hands of the state which proceeded to sell it to Anglo-American capitalists, or to convert them into forest lands. Chilili was no different. In 1942 the grant was transferred to a private corporation, the Chilili Cooperative Corporation, for the purpose of getting an FHA loan to start cooperative-type projects so that money could

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MIGRA RAIDS MANZO

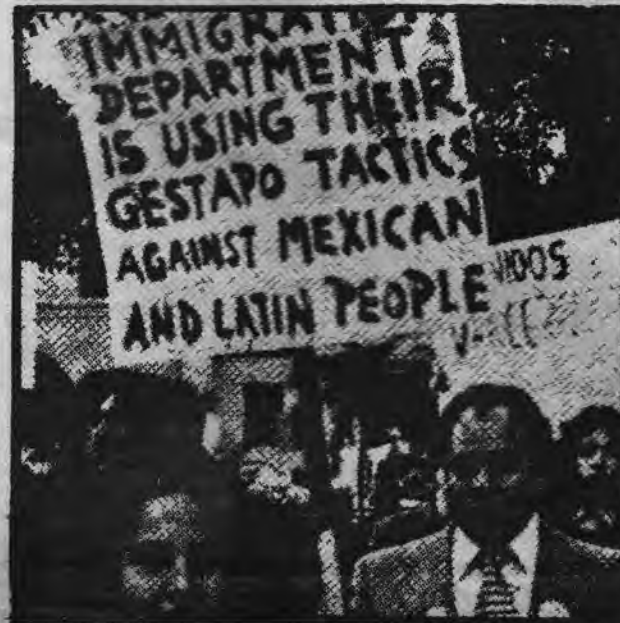
On April 9, 1976 the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) raided the office of El Concilio Manzo in Tucson, Arizona, a service center for counseling undocumented workers on their rights and how to obtain their papers. The INS confiscated over 750 immigration files and used them to deport 20 families who were becoming legalized through El Concilio Manzo.

A federal grand jury in Tucson indicted 4 immigration counselors from Manzo on October 28 and charged them on the following counts: transporting "illegal aliens", illegal entry, conspiracy to break immigration laws, unlawful reproduction of citizenship papers, and aiding and abetting "illegal aliens" to elude inspection by federal officers. If convicted, the four face from 10 to 77 years in prison and heavy fines.

Dr. Paul Lehmann, chairman of the American Committee for Protection of the Foreign Born, said, "Use of unlawfully seized files as the basis for an indictment compounds the violation of civil rights. This criminalizes community workers who advise the foreign born of their rights and assist them, when possible, to secure residence. Such counselling would become illegal activity, in effect nullifying acts of Congress by keeping potential beneficiaries in ignorance of their rights."

This is a direct attack on the basic democratic right to legal counseling, as well as an attack on the right of people to provide legal counsel. It is one further step being taken by the state and capitalists to drive out all those who they have forced here to look for work. The same capitalists who rip out the wealth and profits from Mexico and force Mexicanos to the U.S. "exploit them economically and politically as long as the capitalist need them and scapegoat them when someone has to be blamed for the economic crisis (e.g., unemployment)."

We must stand behind our Mexican brothers and sisters and defend their right to legal counsel and citizenship. And we must defend all those who fight for the interests of the undocumented workers. Your contributions for legal expenses may be sent to Margo Cowan c/o R. Hooker, 120 West Broadway, La Placida Village, Tucson, Arizona, 85701.



The only answer is to boycott these phoney elections and build rank and file controlled unions which will fight for our rights!

BOYCOTT STEEL ELECTIONS

For several months now, two cliques of bureaucrats have been running for top office in the United Steelworkers of America--the McBride slate and the Sadlowski slate. And we are supposed to vote for one of these slates in the International Steelworkers elections in February. But in REVOLUTIONARY CAUSE, Vol. 1, No. 10, we showed how the heads of both slates -- Lloyd McBride and Ed Sadlowski -- are social props, puppets used by the capitalists to keep their control over the trade unions.

We are offered this "choice" at a time when the steel industry is gouging out massive profits from our labor and is trying to rob us of our precious right to strike (precious because it was won with the blood of many working class martyrs). Lay-offs are increasing. Our working conditions continue to worsen, resulting in more and more injuries, illnesses and deaths. Speed ups are the order of the day. National oppression becomes more bitter and pronounced every day, with thousands of our class brothers and sisters not even allowed the free use of their native language.

The capitalists are uncomfortably aware that these conditions create class HATRED on the part of the laboring masses and it is this class hatred against the capitalists that is the real motive every proletarian revolution. So, the capitalists try to channel our hatred onto a path which is the least threatening to them and their system. They can do this most effectively by controlling our organizations of struggle, such as the trade unions.

In the past they have done this mainly through such openly reactionary allies as I.W. Abel, Frank Fitzsimmons of the Teamsters, George Meany of the AFL-CIO, etc. But times are changing and many workers recognize that these "old style" union bureaucrats are well-laid puppets of the bosses. So our enemy is now dangling before our eyes a new type

of leader. But in truth, these new puppets are paid to do but one job for the capitalists to keep the working class from overthrowing the capitalist class, and from taking the factories, banks, land, etc., into OUR OWN HANDS, to be administered by a working class state.

I.W. Abel's candidate, Lloyd McBride, doesn't even pretend that the working class and the capitalists have exactly opposite and antagonistic interests, he clearly comes out for class collaboration. Sadlowski, on the other hand, tries to give the impression that he is on our side, that he recognizes the difference in interests between the workers and capitalists. So, he doesn't openly come out against the right to strike, but he will not pledge to do away with the Experimental Negotiating Agreement (which takes away the right to strike). He pledges to fight for the equality of steelworkers of all nationalities but he is not opposed to the Consent Decree which lets the steel companies off the hook for decades of racism for a few hundred dollars.

We do have an alternative in the Steelworkers Election. We must ACTIVELY boycott them! This means that we must do the most widespread exposures of McBride and Sadlowski, but most especially Sadlowski, who is the candidate most likely to deceive the most people. At the same time, we must organize independently and in a mass way to fight for the issues most vital to us: the right to strike, the equality of languages, the hiring of women and the end to discrimination faced by oppressed nationalities and women, and for an open and democratic union. Only an active boycott provides the rank and file steelworkers with a clear alternative to the social props and provides communists and class conscious workers with the opportunity to win the mass of workers to the path of socialist revolution -- THE REAL ALTERNATIVE TO CAPITALISM! ★

Fight For A Democratic Union!

Contention With US Intensifies SOVIET UNION GEARS

The Soviet Union (USSR), once the leader of worldwide proletarian revolution, is no longer a socialist country. In 1956 a group of new capitalists who developed inside the Soviet Party and the Soviet State, grabbed political control. These new tsars exercise complete domination over the Soviet working class, and they oppress various nations within the boundaries of their state. Unlike the United States, which has several relatively distinct groupings of capitalists vying with each other, the Soviet Union has developed a form of state monopoly capitalism with a much higher degree of concentration and centralization. The Soviet capitalists have tighter control on the state apparatus through their fascist-type government. Thus they are able to control their economy more directly and are at an advantage over their U.S. counterparts by being able to gear the economy towards increasing militarization.

This militarization finds its expression in military expansion and interference throughout the globe. In the U.S.-Soviet tug-of-war the USSR has become the main danger to world peace; the new standard-bearer of a world war. While both superpowers desire world domination, Western Europe is the focus of their contention. In addition to its markets, labor supply, resources, etc., the U.S.S.R. seeks control of Western Europe so that they can break the backs of their U.S. rivals. U.S. loss of Western Europe as a sphere of influence (large capital investments, markets, political influence), would finish it as a superpower and would temporarily leave the USSR as the dominant power. Let us look at how the Soviet Union is gearing up for war.

THE NEW TSARS

The new Soviet bourgeoisie is proving to be worthy successors to the old tsars of Russia. Like the old tsars, they seek world control and spare no effort to gain it, including military force. Today the new Tsars have no qualms about threatening the people of Greece by openly anchoring their war vessels off the Greek island of

Kithira and the coasts of Crete. The Soviets have a threefold purpose for stationing these warships off the Grecian coasts to "warn" Greece against extending their territorial waters from 6 to 12 miles in order that the USSR may maintain a close presence to Greece, to oust the U.S. influence from the Mediterranean; to create a state of tension in the Mediterranean and create discord among the Mediterranean countries -- a tension and discord they hope to take advantage of, in much the same way that they fished in the troubled waters of Angola.

In Sweden the Minister of Swedish Defense called on his government to increase Sweden's defense efforts in the face of the growing Soviet menace. He said that, "a persistent threat haunts our country because we are strategically situated between two blocs of strength." And Sweden has good cause to worry since the USSR has recently expanded their military forces on the Kola Peninsula (east of Sweden) to huge proportions. They are not just preparing a defense against Swedish attack.

Since the beginning of 1976, after the much publicized Helsinki Conference, which the Soviets claimed was a major step in the direction of peace, the USSR has staged a number of offensive military maneuvers taking Western Europe as their hypothetical enemy. In the first half of 1976 they staged two large-scale combat exercises in the Balkans and in Northern Europe. In September the USSR and members of its aggressive military bloc, the Warsaw pact, held a joint exercise in Western Poland called "Shield-76". This was a blatant show of force to Western Europe and an open attempt to scare those countries.

No sooner had the ink dried on the Helsinki

agreements than the Soviets fired rockets into the disputed area of the Barents between Norway and the Soviet Union. In recent months the Soviet Union has moved 6 submarines equipped with nuclear weapons from Murmansk to the Baltic Sea through the Great Belt Strait in Danish territory. The Soviet Union thus gained the "honor" of being the first country to send nuclear submarines into the Baltic Sea. Recently it was found out that the Warsaw pact bloc had secretly worked out a plan for a three-pronged invasion of West Germany and on the basis of this plan, had held several military exercises in the Elbe region. At the same time, Soviet naval ships have been surveying the depth of canals, rivers and streams and inspecting the lay of the terrain with the aim of determining the most suitable route for a Soviet tank invasion.

Also of course we cannot overlook the fact that the USSR now has over 600,000 troops stationed in East Germany, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Poland, and that this number is still growing. Of tremendous military advantage to the USSR is the fact that through the Warsaw Pact and its bilateral treaties with each of the East European countries, the new Tsars now control the armed forces of those countries, including munitions production, armament and service of supply and which takes the form of unified command, training and organization and joint maneuvers. The U.S., of course, enjoys no such advantages with regard to NATO, although it has spared no effort in trying to obtain them. And in comparison to its U.S. rival, which spends about 6% of its annual national revenues on military armaments, the USSR spends 19% of its annual national product on military expenditures.

OPPRESSION BREEDS RESISTANCE



GARY TYLER, an 18 year old Black youth, was framed for murder in Louisiana over a year ago and has been in jail ever since. All efforts are being made by the state to deny Gary Tyler his right to a new trial, and to attempt to get him resented to death. Last October Gary made it clear, "I can't worry about what they're doing cause I know a Black man cannot get justice in the courts. The only way we can get justice is by the people pressuring the courts and making the courts submit and give this man justice."

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OPPOSITION TO THE KLU KLUX KLAN BY THE PEOPLE of Oceanside and nearby San Diego has been growing ever since a Klan chapter was exposed at Camp Pendleton. A December 6th demonstration at the base was forcefully broken up by military police as the demonstrators confronted "Imperial Wizard" David Duke who had flown in for the trial of the Blacks. Another demonstration on December 11th, drew 150 to Oceanside where speakers put forward the demands "Free the 14 Black Marines", "Unite to Smash the Klan" and "Self-determination for the Afro-American Nation". San Diego's People United to Fight Oppression is planning further activities and an ongoing campaign to combat racism and national oppression, especially that coming from the growing presence of the KKK in Southern California.

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THE MEATCUTTERS STRIKE which started in November when 1000 members of Local 274 Provision House Workers struck 8 member companies of the Vernon Meat Dealers Assn., has doubled in size with 1000 workers at Farmer John (Butchers local 563) now out. The union bureaucrats have been doing a good job of protecting the companies from the wrath of the workers, so now the workers have put the pressure on the union - including a mass sit-in at the President's office. The workers have formed Economic Action Committees to take the struggle to the people by organizing a mass boycott of Real Mc Coy and Farmer John products.

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DUE TO THE MASS RESISTANCE OF THE PEOPLE all charges have been dropped against Walter Birdwell! Birdwell had been indicted in October for the shooting of a Klansman. The KKK had attacked a memorial service being held for Mao Tse-tung at the Prairie Fire bookstore in Houston.

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SOVIET BOURGEOISIE- GREEDY

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Represented by the revisionist leading clique, the capitalist class in the Soviet Union today is a tribe of bloodsuckers worse than the old-time capitalists. Using its usurped power and official position, it mercilessly fleeces the working people and lives a life of extravagance and depravity.

To squeeze as much as possible out of the Soviet working people, the Kremlin bosses have introduced one "economic reform" after another and promulgated all sorts of "rules" and "regulations" numbering in the thousands. Since the universal introduction of Brezhnev's "new economic system" in particular, they have applied, in the name of "scientific organization of labour," such devices as "the Shchekino experience", the "Zlobin method" and "the Aksai method" in a wide range of industrial establishments--all aimed at cutting down the number of workers employed and increasing labour intensity so as to wring greater surplus value out of the workers. Referring to the "scientific system" by which capitalists stepped up exploitation of workers, Lenin pointed out in his article "A 'Scientific' System of Sweating": "It is sweating in strict accordance with all the precepts of science."

EXORBITANT TAXES AND MISCELLANEOUS LEVIES.

In the name of the state, the Soviet bourgeoisie ruthlessly plunders the surplus labour of the workers and peasants through profits from enterprises as well as exorbitant taxes and miscellaneous levies. Official Soviet statistics show that in the past ten years these profits increased by 125 per cent and taxes levied on

inhabitants by 140 per cent. The Soviet inhabitants' tax in 1975 reached 18,400 million rubles, which means every worker had to pay an average of 180 rubles, or some 12 per cent of an ordinary worker's annual wage. The Soviet bourgeoisie is spending vast wealth on arms expansion and war preparations to maintain its reactionary rule and step up aggression and expansion abroad. Statistics show that present Soviet military spending accounts for about one-fifth of the national income. In addition, a large amount of money is used to reinforce the huge machinery of the fascist dictatorship.

HIGH SALARIES AND BONUSES

The Soviet capitalist class has taken away the fruits of labour of the workers and peasants through higher salaries and higher bonuses as well as an assortment of subsidies. It is reported that the maximum wage today is scores of times or even a hundred times higher than the minimum. As for the handful of bigwigs like Brezhnev, their incomes, acquired by means of various privileges, are beyond calculation. Prizes and bonuses are another means by which the Soviet bourgeoisie exploits the working people. There are hundreds of kinds of prizes, of which some 50 are for literature and art, the highest amounting to 10,000 rubles. These prizes have been awarded mostly to bourgeois elements and the handful of intellectual aristocrats they groom. Sholokhov, a trumpeter of revisionism, was awarded prizes many times and has thus become a millionaire.

But the bonuses the vast working masses get account for only a small proportion. The Soviet

UP FOR WORLD WAR

This figure surpasses that of Hitler's pre-war Germany.

THE SOUTH ATLANTIC AND RED SEA AREAS

In the South Atlantic area the USSR has established a number of military bases in the Antarctic region. They, of course, have completely free access to Cuban ports and naval bases. They secured this by propping up the price of Cuban sugar and by making Cuba economically and militarily dependent on the USSR. Through their armed intervention in Angola, they were able to establish a military beachhead on the east coast of the south Atlantic. Taken together the USSR has actually effected an encirclement of Latin America by controlling the sea lanes around it. This is obviously a desirable position in their struggle with the United States which has long regarded South America as its private political, economic and military reserve. It is the USSR which is now in a position to dominate the sea routes from the South Atlantic to the Cape of Good Hope.

In the Red Sea area, which joins the Atlantic and Indian oceans and forms a link between Asia, Africa and Europe the USSR has long carried out a policy of expansion, carrying out numerous infiltration and subversive activities in the area. As a result, more than one country has expelled numbers of their spy-diplomat-technicians. When some countries were having military and economic difficulties after throwing off the burden of centuries of colonial domination and were being threatened with imperialist and Israeli intervention, the USSR stepped in as the "socialist" bearer of "military and economic aid."

They thus sought to gain a foothold in those countries from which they could eventually bring them entirely under their domination. Egypt is a good case in point. In return for their military "aid" and "advisors" the Soviets demanded that the Egyptians provide part of Berenice port on the Red Sea and other ports on the Mediterranean for the Soviet navy. They said that their warships should be free to enter the ports without advance notice (such as during a war) while Egyptians would have to secure special permission from Soviet troops to enter their own facilities.

Is it any wonder that the late Egyptian leader, Gamal Nassar, once said of the USSR: "It is simply imperialism". This past year the USSR tried again, by demanding repayment of Egyptian debts at a time when Egypt was experiencing temporary economic and military difficulties. They accompanied this pressure with an actual attempt

The USSR's rivalry with US imperialism for world domination is focused on Western Europe. Since the 1960's, the new tsars have been calling for a relaxation of tension in Europe. At the same time they have accelerated the speed of their military build up and war preparations there. Today, they are closing in on Western Europe from the land, the sea and air. The threat of a new World War confronts us all.

BLOODSUCKERS

journal Economic Gazette disclosed that investigations in more than 700 plants show that the workers, who make up some 80-90 per cent of the factory staff, obtained only 18 percent of the bonuses while a handful of managers, directors and technicians pocketed the remaining 82 per cent. Some plants offer even fewer bonuses to the workers, accounting for only 0.3-0.8 per cent of the plants' total reward funds. The Soviet press has to admit that leaders and specialists on collective farms obtained maximum bonuses without the slightest effort.

In addition to prizes and bonuses, bourgeois elements receive an assortment of subsidies for holding academic degrees and concurrent posts as well as royalties.

CORRUPTION AND BRIBE-TAKING

The plunder of social wealth by every possible means is in the nature of the bourgeoisie. Not content with increasing wealth through the above-mentioned "legal" channels, the Soviet bourgeoisie is taking advantage of its privileges to obtain huge wealth by illegal means. The Soviet press has admitted that "party, state and economic organs" are infested with embezzlers and bribe-takers who "devote all their efforts to making a fortune." Many bureaucrats are "leaders of embezzlers and grafters", some turning into millionaires in a very short time.

There have been many reports on this by the Western press and news agencies. For instance, an AP correspondent in Moscow recently wrote a woman in Saratov told a local housing official, "You need money and I need an apartment". She got one after paying 2,000 rubles. If a motorist

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to subvert the Egyptian government. On March 15, 1976, the Egyptians responded by tearing up the Egyptian-Soviet friendship treaty and closed all port facilities to the Soviet navy.

The USSR has twice instigated and backed unsuccessful coups-de-etat in the Sudan in a vain attempt to gain yet another military foothold in the Red Sea. They have also used the trick of withholding needed military aid to the Yemen Arab Republic and to Saudi Arabia in an effort to get them to make military concessions to them.

More and more Red Sea countries have begun to recognize the menace posed by the USSR. Recently the Sudan, Saudi Arabia and Egypt held a joint summit to discuss questions of joint defense. President Numeri of the Sudan said, "The Sudan, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and all other Red Sea littoral countries are considering seriously the problem of security in the Red Sea area. We understand profoundly the importance of the Red Sea as an international passage. We should expel all enemies from this area through military, diplomatic and economic means."

PEOPLE OF THE WORLD MUST UNITE AND GET PREPARED!

We have presented the facts in this article, not to cause alarm among the working class, but in order to make the workers conscious of the cloud of war which hangs over the world and to make clear the menace of the Soviet Union. Throughout the world more and more countries are becoming aware that the USSR is a social-imperialist country hell-bent on war. As a result they are moving to strengthen their defense capabilities.

The people of Europe especially still bear the painful memories of the last World War. They clearly see the similarity between the Soviet Union of today, and the old Germany of Adolph Hitler. That is why more and more people are demanding an end to the policy of appeasement, or "detente" with the fascist USSR. We too, must fight, to expose the fraud of "detente" as a cover for war preparations, as well as opposing any appeasement with the USSR. History has shown that appeasement inevitably leads to war, rather than to the prevention of war. Most especially must we oppose the policy of providing long-term credits and aid to the USSR, as well as all shipments of grain, technology and machinery. This aid and material only allows the Soviets to maintain and speed-up their frantic military build-up, and brings closer the day when they will unleash a world war. Hitler's Germany also took advantage of such trade to keep their economy geared toward massive military production.

This does not mean that we must support the so-called "hawks" in the U.S. government. It is our task as part of a superpower to fight against its imperialist war preparations and to intensify the struggle to overthrow "our" capitalists one and ALL. If we are unable to pre-

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More and more the people of the world are understanding the threat posed to world peace by the USSR. It is our duty to get prepared and build a worldwide front against the two superpowers!

THE FACTORS FOR BOTH WAR AND REVOLUTION ARE INCREASING BUT THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT BECAUSE NO MATTER IF WAR GIVES RISE TO REVOLUTION OR IF REVOLUTION PREVENTS WORLD WAR, THE WORKING AND OPPRESSED PEOPLES ARE ON THE RISE AND REVOLUTION IS THE MAIN TREND IN THE WORLD TODAY.



	1965		1975	
	U.S.	U.S.S.R.	U.S.	U.S.S.R.
Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles	854	224	1,054	1,603
Nuclear Warheads	1,702	390	6,794	3,442
Antiaircraft Missile Launchers	2,694	8,900	330	9,500
Army Personnel	940,000	1,800,000	789,000	2,500,000
Tanks	10,200	30,500	10,100	40,000
Attack Aircraft	16	0	14	0
Cruisers	33	22	27	33
Tactical Aircraft	4,728	800	3,543	768
Strategic Airlift Planes	26	8	300	60

Because the Soviets have been able to impose tighter controls over their economy through state monopoly capitalism, they are at an advantage over their US rivals when it comes to funneling more money into military expenditures.

REVOLUTION'S THE MAIN TREND



DENOUNCING SOVIET INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA, the Zaire paper *Elima* stated that 15,000 Soviet mercenaries are "repressing all opposition", "massacring people everywhere, looting and burning villages". There is massive armed resistance to the foreign invaders. The fact that there isn't yet a government of national unity, as advocated by the Organization of African Unity (OAU), is "totally due to the manoeuvres of the Soviets".

JAPAN IS UNDERGOING A SEVERE ECONOMIC CRISIS. Unemployment is now snow-balling. Many small and medium sized businesses are folding everyday. The cost of living is skyrocketing with a record 2.74 times increase in commodity prices since 1972. Suicide by those unable to find work and to feed their families is becoming more common and many have died when forced to spend the winter nights in Tokyo's streets. The working people of Japan are being made to pay the price of the capitalists' crisis.

AS THE ARMED STRUGGLE OF THE ZIMBABWE PEOPLE FOR LIBERATION INTENSIFIES, the white racist Rhodesian armed forces are being forced to buy 1000 mercenaries because of a shortage of recruits. 400 of the mercenaries are from the U.S.

Meanwhile, papers in Guinea-Bissau, Ethiopia and Tanzania have recently stated their support of armed struggle for the people of Zimbabwe. "The only sure avenue to advance the cause of majority rule is the intensification of armed struggle."

HUNDREDS OF AZANIAN STUDENTS HAVE BEEN KILLED AND JAILED in their struggle for the right to speak English or the tribal language of their choice in school. Primary and high school students have been out on strike, boycotting their classes for the past 6 months. All students have been forced to speak African languages, the language of the oppressor white minority. Student activists and leaders in Soweto report that despite the government's attempts to reopen classes, attendance remains at 10-20%. Their struggle is part of the overall fight for the national independence of Azania from white minority rule.

IN THE FACE OF THREATENED FINES AND JAILINGS by the government for interfering with the passage of mail, the British Postal Workers, Transport and Seamen's Unions are waging a 7 day boycott of telephone, telegram and mail services to South Africa in protest of the racial segregation and fascist attacks being launched against the people there. LONG LIVE PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONALISM!! WORKERS AND OPPRESSED PEOPLE OF THE WORLD UNITE!!

THOUSANDS OF WORKERS AND STUDENTS ENGAGED BY THE Egyptian government's attempt to double the prices on food and other basic necessities took to the streets to demand an end to the increases. Aiming their just anger at the rich and their government, the demonstrators shouted "Sadat, you live in palaces while we live 7 to a room" and "Revolt against the tyrants!" Attacked by the police, the people armed themselves and fought back. These heroic actions of the working people of Egypt forced the government to cancel all price increases!

CHICANOS FIGHT POLICE ATTACKS

Police and government attacks on the people are occurring on a growing scale. Chicanos and other oppressed nationalities are bearing the brunt of this vicious repression

One of the more blatant incidents involving police violence occurred in Greeley, Colorado, a small city north of Denver, on the evening of June 26, 1976. In response to a call about a scuffle between two teenage Chicanos the state dispatched 30 police and deputies to the scene. They quickly provoked a riot which resulted in several people being beaten and the arrest of 11 people. Two of those arrested, Vivian Espinoza and Dan Ulibarri, face up to 10 years in prison on trumped up charges. Vivian has actually been accused of "beating" THREE policemen.

The state was not satisfied with its first attack against the Chicano people. So, on July 24th, they swept down on a park in Greeley, Colorado. The park was filled with Chicanos. The police were routinely beating one man to a pulp when the fury of the Chicanos erupted. 250 people went to the aid of their fallen comrade and sent two of their attackers to the hospital. Out of this incident, 8 people were arrested.

Recognizing the need for an organized response to these police actions, the people of the area have organized an Anti-Police Repression Coalition, which is demanding the release of Dan and Vivian with all charges against them being dropped and

is demanding a stop to the police attacks against the Chicano people. The capitalists and their state have not, of course, responded too warmly to their effort on the part of the oppressed. Soon after the coalition had announced plans for a mass demonstration, a local paper ran a series of articles pointing to the Chicano menace, and quoted some "vigilantes" who declared that if the police could not control the Chicanos they would take matters into their own hands. These vigilantes called for the deportation of the "foreign element" to Mexico, and threatened violence against those who would dare attend the demonstration. The news media, capitalist owned and controlled, was obviously trying one of their old weapons to pit Anglo-Americans against oppressed nationalities, in order to divert the attention of all working people from the real problem. The media distorted the facts in this case so that it would appear that the police attacks were actually White-Chicano confrontations, rather than showing that they were in fact attacks by an arm of our capitalist enemy against the Chicano people, ally of the working class.

"GRAND JURY - CAPITALIST TOOL"

Along with the "men in blue" the capitalists are also using their infamous Grand Jury system to harass the different progressive movements

Working hand in hand with the police a Grand Jury investigation is being called in the San Luis Valley of Colorado, a hotbed of Chicano unrest and resistance. Under the pretext of "investigation of crime" the Grand Jury is acting in concert with the Colorado Bureau of Investigation and the federal department of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms with the objective of crushing the Chicano movement in the Valley.

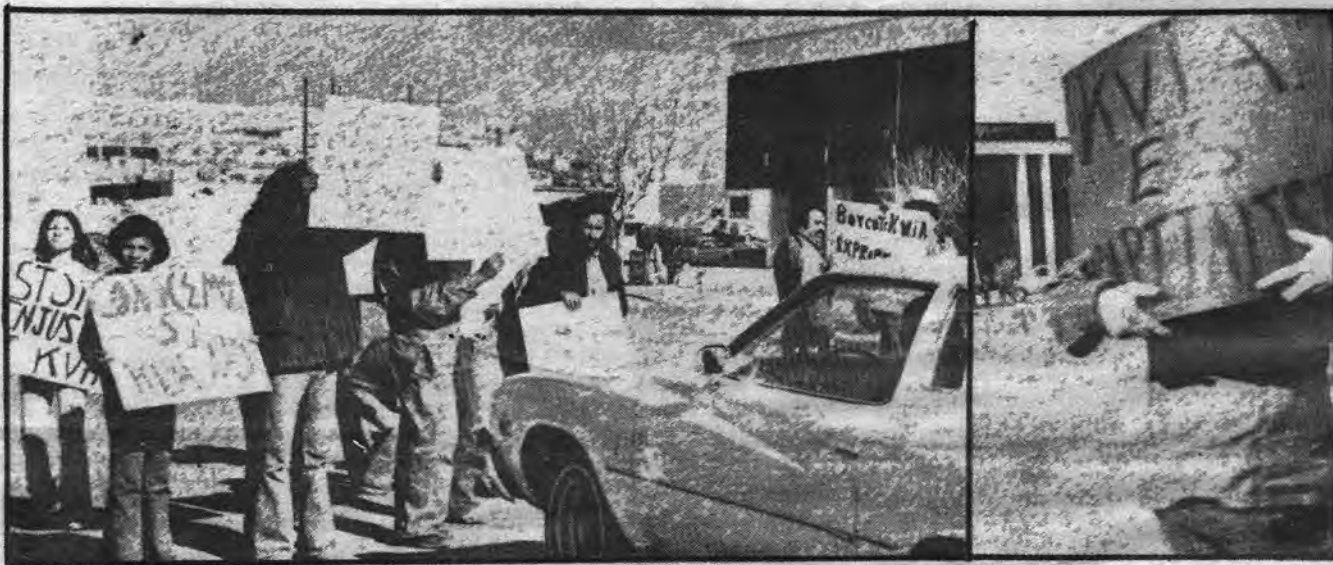
And of course the courts have acted out their historic role as tools of the capitalists in Dan Ulibarri's case. At his preliminary hearing the only state witness who claimed to have seen Dan's alleged assault of a police officer identified someone else as the assailant. Not only did they fail to identify Dan, but the District Attorney admitted that there was evidence that one of the police officers had lied on the stand. The DA has no plans to bring perjury charges against the lying cop, yet Dan Ulibarri must still go on trial on an unfounded assault charge.

ERRORS IN ANTI-REPRESSION COALITION

The Anti-Police Repression Coalition was formed because of the righteous indignation of the Chicano masses and because they recognized that the only effective resistance is an organized resistance. It is unfortunate that some revolutionaries, who call themselves "communists" have not yet grasped this simple idea. Rather than attempting to give a conscious and planned direction to the coalition, to give it revolutionary leadership and to win it over, in the course of the struggle, to socialism -- some of the coalition leaders tried to turn the coalition into a study group.

Rather than doing the difficult work of applying Marxism-Leninism to the actual struggle confronting the people, of figuring out HOW best (in a political sense) to organize this struggle, they took the easy route of bringing politics to the coalition by having it do propaganda leaflets, which the coalition was to STUDY! Exactly at a time when the most rousing and widespread agitation and propaganda are called for, certain leaders wanted to confine the coalition to studying leaflets as the method of "winning the advanced over to Marxism-Leninism". Needless to say this "plan" soon drove most of the revolutionaries (that is the advanced) away from the coalition. (This was also a product of the sectarianism of these same "leaders", who condemned those revolutionaries with the longest and most consistent histories as "regionalists".) Fortunately other communists and revolutionaries in the Coalition were able to provide an alternative to the sectarian leaders. As a result the Coalition has again started to grow and has organized demonstrations, fundraisers and pickets for Dan Ulibarri's trial. Let us hope that our sectarian comrades are learning the lessons of their errors.

CHICANOS DEMAND THEIR HISTORY



A Chicano organization called the "Committee for the Development of Mass Communications" is picketing an El Paso TV station -KVIA- for cancelling a weekly Chicano program called "Conoce-me". This program had done presentations on the true history of Chicanos in the Southwest. An article in the local El Paso newspaper The Journal stated that certain people, "...disliked having American 'heroes' such as Houston, Crockett, Bowie, Fannin and others called rapists, murderers, thieves, and sadists who attacked innocent Mexican civilians at the Alamo and slaughtered them wontonly". Hence, the show was cancelled. The local capitalist press naturally sides with historic distortions and cringes at the TRUTH! Why? Because the history of the Chicano people in the Southwest brings to light their roots to the land and the role of the

U S in taking them and their land over. This history is documentation of the domination of the Chicano people at gunpoint -- the stripping away of their language, culture, and use as the cheapest source of labor and super profits for the capitalist class! And most importantly, the true history of the Chicano people in Texas and the entire Southwest is one of organizing themselves and fighting against the oppression of the Anglo capitalists! This revolutionary and valiant history only serves to spark the pride of the Chicano people and has the potential of sparking the fires of today's ongoing struggle for equality and an end to national oppression. As much as they may want to, KVIA and the capitalists cannot stop or cover over the struggles of the past or the present!!!
LONG LIVE THE REVOLUTIONARY STRUGGLES OF THE CHICANO PEOPLE!!! ★

A JUST CAUSE CAN NEVER BE DEFEATED

In spite of their arrests and the threat of prison which confronts them neither Vivian Espinoza nor Dan Ulibarri have lost their revolutionary spirit or their resolve to fight to the death for justice. They are the latest in a long line of heroes who have sprung from the very heart of the Chicano people. These heroes belong to all working people, to all those people throughout the world who are fighting for freedom against the parasitic forces of imperialism. We must demand their freedom. Every worker must make the cause of Vivian and Dan, the cause of the Chicano people, his own cause. It is our fighting support of that cause which will guarantee the alliance between our class and the national movement of the Chicano people. With such an alliance we shall surely crumble our capitalist enemy. With such an alliance we shall surely establish our own so-

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Like a lofty mountain piercing the sky—Chou En-Lai

To the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and to the National Peoples Congress of the Peoples Republic of China

We send profound commemorative greetings on the occasion of the first anniversary of the passing of Comrade Premier Chou En-lai, the close comrade-in-arms of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung. Comrade Chou En-lai was an outstanding member of the Communist Party of China and an exemplary leader of the Chinese state and people. His strength derived from his unswerving devotion to Marxism, Leninism, Mao Tsetung Thought, his boundless faith in the masses in his absolutely consistent implementation of Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line. He was a living example of all the fine qualities of communism and his life is a living testament of adherence to the fundamental principles: "Practice Marxism, and not revisionism; unite and don't split; be open and aboveboard, and don't intrigue and conspire." It is truly fitting that the Chinese masses in their hundreds of millions are joining in massive commemorative

activities to honor the member of their esteemed and beloved Premier Chou. At a time when the Party has united like steel around Comrade Chairman Hua Kuo-feng, and when the plot of the "gang of four" has been resolutely smashed, the commemoratives to Premier Chou take on a special significance. The "gang of four" did all that they could to attack Premier Chou and his memory, even going so far as trying to prevent mention of his name and preventing people from paying tribute to his outstanding achievements in all fields of Chinese society. But they were totally unsuccessful in their scheme to besmirch the memory of Comrade Premier Chou, the most loyal defender of Chairman Mao's revolutionary line. Premier Chou was truly a fine and noble son of the Chinese people. His life provides an inspiration for all the oppressed peoples of the world. Like a lofty mountain piercing the sky and a bright star in the night, the esteemed and beloved Premier Chou will always live in the hearts of the people.

The Central Committee of the August Twenty-Ninth Movement (Marxist-Leninist)





Tenant Struggle in EL PASO

On Monday, December 27th, six armed police attacked residents of the tenement at 306 Tays Street in El Paso, Texas. They entered the premises on the excuse that they were looking for an individual who had not paid his traffic ticket. The police did not have or show a warrant. After harrasing all the tenants and busting into apartments, the police arrested a man whose ID proved he was not the "delinquent" they were after. In reality the "delinquent" of the traffic ticket does not exist and the attack was politically motivated. The residents of Tays Street are organized as a "collective" to fight against the new owner of the building, an egg company which wants to destroy the tenement and build an egg farm in its place.

Since November, the company; Moon-Park Joint Venture of California, bought the tenement and ordered the residents out. Tired of the many evictions because of capitalist interests, the residents decided to resist and declared, "The community belongs to those who live in it."

The situation at 306 Tays is very tense because it is believed that now that the holidays are over the company will obtain eviction notices from the courts. From one moment to the next, the residents wait for the "final" attack.

What is happening in El Segundo Barrio is a repetition of what happened 150 years ago when the Anglo-American capitalists invaded the Southwest to exploit the land and labor. The invasion of business interests into the Segundo Barrio is the same state of affairs. The present economic crisis is forcing businessmen to look for everything cheaper raw material, land and workers. So they point their telescope at Chicano communities.

The Chicanos in the Southwest form part of an oppressed nation and El Paso is part of that nation. But the Chicano nation is not free because businessmen control the economy. Therefore the local businessmen are authentic invaders who in the name of capital, step on our right to SELF-DETERMINATION.

The capitalists will increase the repression over the "Residents Collective" with attacks like the one on Monday. To win, the people are counting on a power greater than arms. THE POWER OF THE PEOPLE.

If the "powerful" can throw out the residents on Tays Street they will continue with the rest of El Segundo and all communities in El Paso.

Brothers and sisters, we must not let this happen. We must support the "Residents Collective" and the "Campaign to preserve El Segundo Barrio". Send letters of support or donations to Residents Collective, 306 Tays St., #1, El Paso, Texas, 79905. Send letters of protest to D Herderson, Mayor, El Paso City County Bldg., El Paso, Texas, 79905.

DOWN WITH THE INTERESTS OF THE RICH! A COMMUNITY BELONGS TO THOSE WHO LIVE IN IT!! ★



W.V.O. Kicked Out Of Chicago Forum

NATIONAL MOVEMENTS- MAIN ALLIES OF THE WORKING CLASS

On December 11, 1976 the August 29th Movement held its first midwest forum in Chicago, Illinois on the subject of the Chicano National Question. The forum was attended by about 75 people, including workers and political activists from the Chicano national movement. Among the audience were representatives of the Workers Viewpoint Organization, the Workers Congress (M-L), the October League, and the Revolutionary Communist Party.

ATM gave a presentation which layed out the history of development of the Chicano nation from the time of U S annexation of what is now the southwestern United States, up to present struggles for self-determination. We explained the relationship of the struggle for a correct line on this question to the struggle for a new Marxist-Leninist Party. We refer comrades to REVOLUTIONARY CAUSE, volume 1, #10 for a fuller explanation of the substance of our forums on the Chicano national question. What we would like to address in this article is the role played by the Workers Viewpoint Organization at our Chicago forum, and secondarily the role played by the other groups listed above.

THE STAND OF IMPERIALISM

WVO is racing around the country to tell everyone that they are the leading communist organization in the U.S. Let us take a look at some of the comments made by WVO during our forum and see what conclusions we can draw.

1. The WVO said that the August 29th Movement just pays lip service to party-building. By stressing the importance of the Chicano national question we are diverting the movement from the struggle for the party. By thus pitting the national question against party building, they show they understand nothing about either question. The struggle to build our party is precisely a struggle for its political line. As the Albanians have stated, a party's political line, is its strategy and tactics. A correct line on

"We communists are the irreconcilable opponents, on principle, of bourgeois nationalism of every variety. But we are not supporters of national nihilism, and should never act as such. The task of educating the workers and all toilers in the spirit of proletarian internationalism is one of the fundamental tasks of every Communist Party. But whoever thinks that this permits him, or even compels him, to sneer at all the national sentiments of the broad toiling masses is far from genuine Bolshevism, and has understood nothing of the teaching of Lenin and Stalin on the national question." (The United Front Against War and Fascism, by Georgi Dimitroff)

the Chicano national question speaks to the question of the alliance of the working class with the revolutionary national movements in the U.S. This is a question of strategy.

Without a correct line on this question, and on the Afro-American national question as well, we cannot have a correct strategy and we will not have a correct political line for our Party. But this means little to WVO, which would rather confine the struggle for the Party to discussions on the "ideological plane". By placing the national question against party-building, WVO reveals another trait characteristic of opportunism -- chauvinism. Here we are discussing a question which has NEVER BEEN PRESENTED IN A MARXIST-LENINIST MANNER. We are discussing a national movement which has a revolutionary history over a century long. We are discussing the question of the most bitter oppression and exploitation of an entire nation. But all this is not important to the WVO, which can only see "nationalism" in such a discussion. If this is not the stand of imperialism we do not know what is!

2. The August 29th Movement is "using nationalism to unite the class", WVO said. We really had to blink our eyes when we heard this statement. WVO is actually saying, that we are using "nationalism to unite the class" because we call upon all workers, but most especially Anglo-American workers, to raise, support and advocate the right of the oppressed Chicano nation to political secession. Marxism-Leninism defines such a stand as Internationalism, but to this latest off-spring of the Progressive Labor Party this amounts to "nationalism". This is outright liquidation of the national question and social-chauvinism pure and simple.

3. The particularity of the national question calls for the leading role of the working class, said WVO. Now what a most learned observation! Here we have a situation in which political activists and workers come to communists to get concrete theoretical and practical direction for their work and the WVO feeds up innane generalities like this. And yet they insist on calling themselves the "leading circle". By the way, they never did speak to the question of HOW the working class is to win the leadership of the national movement. But to academics who have no interest in revolution such a question is obviously not important.

4. The task of the proletariat of the oppressed nation is to struggle against nationalism, according to WVO. Like true imperialists WVO

spends its time lecturing the proletariat of the oppressed nations as to their duty. But they forget(!) to tell us about the tasks and duties of the proletariat of the oppressor nation. Once again, their social-chauvinism is revealed. What is more, when have Marxist-Leninists reduced the tasks of the proletariat to defeating "nationalism"? Rather it is the task of the proletariat of the oppressor nations to unite with their class brothers and sisters throughout the US and to lead all the oppressed classes and strata of the oppressed nations in the struggle to overthrow imperialism. With their view of tasks is it any wonder that our "leading circle" has absolutely no ties in the Chicano national movement?

5. WVO stated ATM makes the error of pitting reformism against nationalism as the main danger in the Chicano national movement. But of course! Nationalism must be the main danger in the Chicano national movement. After all, in a superpower which has plundered and raped nations and colonies around the world, we do not want to overlook the danger of the "nationalism" of the oppressed nations. What disgusting chauvinism! These chauvinists who have not one second of history, or one particle of connection with the Chicano national movement, now presume to tell that movement that nationalism is its main danger. Their position reflects subjectivism, that is, reaching a conclusion without one bit of analysis of the subject under discussion, and it reflects chauvinism, that is the standpoint of the oppressor nation which also fears the "nationalism" of the oppressed nations.

6. We are not really surprised by the chauvinism of the Workers Viewpoint Organization. The same organization which can turn out hundreds of pages on the "split in the wing" within a matter of weeks has not yet been able, after two years, to develop a thought-out and documented position on either the Afro-American or Chicano national

questions. What is this if not chauvinism? The same organization which claims to have done the most precise analysis of the periods of party-building, "forgot" to analyze the bitter struggle over the Afro-American national question. It was a struggle against the chauvinist position of the Revolutionary Union waged by the Black Workers Congress and the August 29th Movement -- and not by the Workers Viewpoint Organization. The same organization which calls itself the "leading circle" attacks those communists who stress and uphold proletarian internationalism as "nationalists" who put too much emphasis on the national question!

As to the other communist organizations in attendance at our forum, they didn't act, in substance, any differently than the WVO. When asked directly by our speaker to state their positions on the Chicano national question they all sat silent. NOT A SINGLE ONE OF THE GROUPS ATTENDING OUR FORUM AT ANY TIME EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR THE STRUGGLE OF THE CHICANO PEOPLE IN THE SOUTHWEST! And we don't mean that they just didn't unite with ATM's position, we mean that they expressed no position of support for the Chicano national movement at all.

THE DISRUPTIONS

After the presentations, time was allowed for questions and struggle. Many communists, revolutionary nationalists and other progressive forces raised sharp and difficult questions about the practical implications and application of ATM's position on the Chicano National Question. The WVO, on the other hand, insisted on disrupting. They consistently exceeded their given speaking time allotments, (made so that all forces would have a chance to speak, and so that the forum would not turn into a two-sided debate between ATM and WVO), and they continually interrupted other speakers. They were repeatedly warned to end their wrecking activities and were told twice that one more disruption meant their removal. When they didn't heed the warnings they were thrown out of the forum. On their way out the door, the leading circle kept yelling "Gangsterism, fascist-gangsterism! Is this what ATM calls principled struggle? ATM, take a stand on this!" Which, of course, we did. We bid them a good night.

Interestingly enough, the October League and the Revolutionary Communist Party, who had refused to address the question of the national rights of the Chicano people or to say what the communist stand should be toward their move-

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Iranian Students

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BLACK GOLD

The Persian Gulf holds 2/3's of the world's known oil reserves. Western Europe and Japan depend on this oil for 60-90 percent of their energy needs. Iran lies in the very heart of this Gulf, so control of Iran means control of its "black gold." And control of its oil means having an economic strangle-hold on Western Europe and Japan. It is no wonder then, that the U.S. planned and orchestrated the 1953 coup that overthrew the lawful Mossadegh government and brought the Shah to power.

As a result of this coup all democratic, progressive organizations in Iran were driven underground, with many thousands imprisoned or sent to death. In addition to the SAVAK, the U.S. props up the Shah with billions of dollars worth of weapons, which have made Iran, along with Israel, the most militarized state in the Middle East. Seventy percent of the yearly budget goes for military expenditures, while the Iranian people are victimized by famine, a 70 percent illiteracy rate and a 50% infant mortality rate. And the Shah has put his weapons to "good use" for his U.S. masters -- he shot down 15,000 people in June 1963, people who had the audacity to demonstrate for freedom and independence. The Shah has also sent secret shipments of weapons to the racist Ian Smith regime in Zimbabwe (Rhodesia). The Shah has sent over 30,000 troops in a vain attempt to crush the liberation struggle of the people of Oman. His troops have wantonly used U.S.-supplied napalm and incendiary bombs on the Omani people.

SHAH KNOWS NO PEACE

In spite of his U.S. backing, his SAVAK, and his tremendous military arsenal, the Shah of Iran knows no peace. Whenever there is slavery, there are slaves who rebel, wherever there is oppression, there is resistance. Every people produces revolutionaries who fear neither prison, torture or death in the noble struggle for freedom. The brave Iranian people have produced a number of revolutionary organizations which are waging armed struggle and mobilizing the Iranian people to overthrow the rule of the Shah, to remove the ponderous mountain of U.S. imperialism from their shoulders.

The Iranian working class staged over 70 strikes in the past year, even though they are outlawed and every striker risks torture and death. In May of last year police attacked striking textile workers with clubs and tear gas. The workers refused to sign no-strike statements even in the face of this repression. Meanwhile, the Shah continues to receive billions from U.S. companies, while the Iranian workers must endure a government wage freeze. While the Shah and his cronies live in palaces, poor Iranian workers and farmers must live in shantytowns on the outskirts of the cities. The government has begun a campaign of destruction against these shantytowns which have been met with violent resistance on the part of the Iranian masses.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO US?

The United States is in the middle of its worst economic crisis since the Depression. By the governments' own admission, the economic outlook is bleak, 26 million people, according to the state's own figures, live below the poverty level. Labor bureaucrats are openly calling for wage controls, while prices, unemployment and taxes continue to rise sky high. In the meantime the U.S. is gearing up for a devastating world war with the USSR; a war aimed at the re-division of the world. But of course we have not been silent -- thousands of strikes occurred in 1976, spearheaded by the historic wildcat strike of the mineworkers last fall. Also, the oppressed nationalities are again developing widespread resistance to their oppression.

Everywhere our enemy -- the U.S. capitalist class -- is under increasing attack, not only here at home but throughout the world. But no

OPEC Demands Fair Oil Prices Defies 2 SUPERPOWERS

The recent demand of 11 of the 13 member countries of OPEC (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) for a more equitable price for their oil has led to the two superpowers, the U.S. and USSR, madly attacking these Third world countries -- trying to blame them for inflation and the capitalist economic crisis.

But what is happening? For decades the natural resources of these developing countries have been stolen by the imperialists. The price of industrial goods that they must import from the western countries continues to increase. And the imperialists have then used these economic levers to try and politically control the country. For these reasons the oil producing countries and other Third world countries began to form organizations like OPEC which through their united action wage an anti-imperialist struggle against the two superpowers -- taking the political and economic control of their countries into their own hands.

There has been a temporary split within OPEC between Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates on the one hand who have only raised their prices 5% and the other 11 countries who have stood firm at an 11% price increase. The main cause has been the economic blackmail of the 2 superpowers who went so far as to threaten to cut food aid to countries who refused to take a "moderate" (5% increase) stand on the price hike.

But this is just a temporary setback. Striking a blow at imperialism, all of the countries stated their unified commitment to the building of a new international economic order -- one that would ensure the equality of all nations, big or small, rich or poor.

The struggle of Third world countries to gain control of their natural resources, and of their country, is a struggle aimed at smashing, blow by blow, the main enemies of the world's peoples -- the two super-powers. Our struggle is one! We must actively support and show our solidarity to this just cause.



Even though all forms of protest against the Shah are illegal - punishable by jail or death - the Confederation of Iranian Students continues to organize worldwide.

war is fought without counterattacks by the enemy. On the Iranian front of struggle our enemy is counterattacking. Our revolutionary allies, our brothers and sisters in struggle are being put under the gun. We must come to their aid. It is the duty of every communist and class-conscious worker to rouse the entire working class to the most resolute support of the persecuted Iranian students. We must demand a complete end of all arms shipments to the Shah, all persecution of the CISNU must stop and no SAVAK operative must be allowed on U.S. soil. The Immigration and Naturalization Service must end its harassment of Iranian students. We must demand that all torture of political prisoners end immediately and that the Shah release all political prisoners. U.S. workers, we must close ranks with our Iranian compatriots -- we must act now, their struggle is our struggle and it is a life and death battle.

Comrades,

According to the latest news from Iran the fascist regime of Iran has once again murdered 8 Iranian patriots and arrested 11 others who are now under torture along with the other 100,000 Iranian political prisoners.

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PANAMA DEMANDS POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE

Over 100 Panamanian students invaded the Panama Canal Zone and tore down and burned a U.S. flag last week on the 13th anniversary of a 1964 uprising in which 500 people were killed or wounded. The action is part of the deepening conflict between the U.S. and Panama over control of the Panama Canal Zone.

A 1903 Treaty signed between the U.S. and Panama gave U.S. imperialism control of the Canal Zone. Since that time, the U.S. has set up 14 military bases occupying over 70% of the land. Every year, the U.S. makes more than \$140 million in transit fees from other countries. Yet it pays the government of Panama only \$1.9 million.

Speaking on the anniversary of the 1964 uprising, the Panamanian Foreign Minister set as the top priority national objective the ousting of U.S. foreign administration which would then permit Panama to exercise and benefit directly from the right to self-determination over the Canal Zone. "We want not only to achieve effective sovereignty and restore national dignity, but...since our geographic position is our principle natural resource, to be able to participate in a new international economic order requires us to be free politically first," he said.

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U.S. BUSINESS IN IRAN

The Iranian peoples' movement is fighting a U.S. installed Shah using U.S. arms with U.S. "advisors", but behind this is a further enemy -- U.S. multinational corporations. The oil companies are the oldest and biggest investors, rapidly draining off Iran's major natural resources, leaving nothing for Iran's future.

But powerful as the oil companies are, they are only one part of the exploitation of Iran by the multi-national corporations. The biggest banks are at the head of this plunder: CHASE MANHATTAN, FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK, BANK OF AMERICA, FIRST BOSTON CORPORATION, and others are equipped to siphon the country's oil revenues back to Wall Street.

Millions of peasants are being thrown off the land by U.S. agri-business, including JOHN DEERE, DOW CHEMICAL, TRANS-WORLD AGRO-DEVELOPMENT, HAWAIIAN AGRONOMICAL, DIAMOND A CATTLE COMPANY and DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH COMPANY. These firms are producing cash crops for export, taking land away from food production for home consumption and creating wide-spread hunger.

U.S. manufacturing corporations have found the Shah to be a willing supplier of cheap labor. All strikes are outlawed and the official unions are controlled by the SAVAK secret police. These conditions have attracted GM, ALLIED CHEMICAL, GOODYEAR, UNIROYAL, NCR, GE, IBEC, WESTINGHOUSE and many others. The American businessman coming in search of expanding profits can avoid even seeing the Iranian people as they stay in the HILTON and HYATT hotel chains.

These giant corporations strip away Iran's natural resources, reduce food production, raise prices, force peasants into the cities, create vast unemployment and keep workers at starvation wages. This is not progress, this is greater and greater underdevelopment.

U.S. Arm Sales to Iran

As of January 31, 1976, Iranian arms purchases included

261 F-4 Phantom fighter bombers	\$1.3 billion
141 F-4 Tiger-11 fighters	\$285 million
80 F-14 Tomcat swing-wing fighters	\$1.85 billion
50 C-130 Hercules transport jets	\$203 million
2,616 Sparrow air-to-air missiles	\$522 million

In addition to the above, the Shah has acquired the most sophisticated reconnaissance planes, tanks, helicopters, gun ships, destroyers, air-to-ground missiles, laser-guided munitions or "smart bombs", anti-tank and anti-ship missiles. The Shah is prepared for conflicts ranging from counter-guerrilla warfare to full-scale conventional warfare. (Information from Nation Magazine, January 31, 1976)



SOCIALIST ECONOMY SURGES FORWARD

In his report to the Congress, Comrade Enver Hoxha spoke of the incredible economic development accomplished by the Albanian people in the last 5 years.

From 1970-75 production was increased by 52% and the national income by 38%. On the basis of the increases in industrial and agricultural production, the material and cultural life of the people has been pushed forward. The real income of the people increased by 14.5%. At the same time, there have been no increases in the price of food or other goods. Some articles have even dropped in price! In the last 5 years 62,000 new apartments and houses have been built in the towns and villages. The educational and cultural life of the people continues to expand. Today everyone in Albania has the right to a free education. Health services continue to expand and improve resulting in a large increase in the population and a longer life time.

The aims of the sixth 5 year plan (1976-80) are to narrow the differences between town and country, to further improve the socialist relations of production, to strengthen the dictatorship of the proletariat and to improve the defense capabilities of Albania.

The policy of self-reliance is what guides the Albanian people and leads to their achieving such tremendous results. Self-reliance means that no aid is accepted from the capitalist and revisionist countries. Because as Enver Hoxha pointed out, this so-called aid of the imperialist and social-imperialist countries to the developing countries and nations is the way in which they try to "enslave these countries and nations and fatten on their blood and sweat." This revolutionary position has built a strong independent industrial and economic base in Albania so that it could withstand any enemy economic blockade.

Self-reliance does not mean isolation from the rest of the world. The Albanian people have always learned from the revolutionary experience of the people worldwide. This means that aid and exchanges between revolutionary countries and forces is necessary to liberate all of the world. An example of this is the Elbasan Metallurgical Combine which smelts Albanian ore and turns out pig-iron and high quality steel. The Albanians asked for aid from The People's Republic of China. With this internationalist aid of the Chinese comrades, the Albanian people have successfully built this project and are completing others.

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A distinguished woman worker in a Saranda machine shop grinding crankshafts

It is women's entry back into social production that is the first step to liberation. Women in socialist Albania now are guaranteed full equality with men in the workplace and in the home.

7th P.L.A. CONGRESS HELD

Links With The Masses Make The Party Strong

On November 8, 1941, only 35 years ago, 15 communists led by Enver Hoxha met secretly to form the Albanian Communist Party (now called the Party of Labor of Albania - PLA). World War II was raging and Albania's one million people were struggling against the Italian and German fascists.

Relying on no outside help, the people of Albania under the leadership of the Albanian Communist Party waged a fierce struggle against the foreign invaders. National liberation was won on November 29, 1944.

Today, this small country is the stronghold of proletarian revolution in Europe. The huge accomplishments of the people reflect their determination to build a socialist Albania which fights for and defends the interests of the working class.

At the beginning of November 1976, the 7th Congress of the PLA was held to sum up the achievements of the last five years and to map out an even brighter future.

The dictatorship of the proletariat in Albania ensures the fullest democracy for the working people. Enver Hoxha said, "Freedom and democracy are not and cannot be for the enemies of the working class and the people, for those who seek to undermine the proletarian state power and the socialist order as the bourgeois and revisionist traitors would like. Our socialist democracy is true democracy for the people, for the masses of the working people and them alone."

The new constitution guarantees the right to work, to education and free medical care. It ensures equality before the law. Women are guaranteed complete equality with men in work, pay and in the home. In a country where the working class is in power, these are not just words.

The Congress also stressed that the Party must play the leading role in carrying forward the socialist revolution in Albania. Only under its leadership can the proletarian state power be consolidated and the country remain strong.

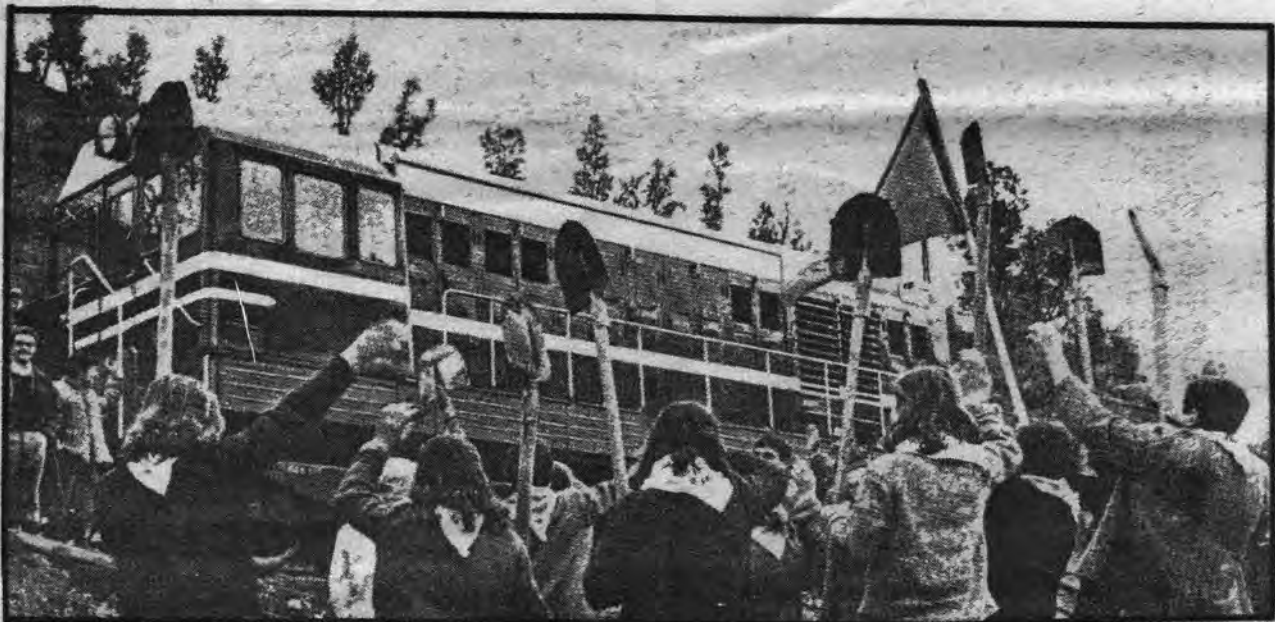
against all enemies of the people. Enver Hoxha said, "As Marxism-Leninism teaches us, no class or social stratum other than the working class can play the leading role in the struggle to establish the dictatorship of the proletariat." In practice, this means that constant care is given to recruiting working people into the Party, with special attention given to women. The cadre work in production among the masses and are constantly accountable to the people.

Essential to the building of socialism in a country, and to make sure that the Party does play the leading role because of its correct line, is the Party's contact with the masses of the people. "The strength of our Marxist-Leninist Party lies in its steel-like links with the people. Without these links the Party would be lifeless. The line of the Party has never remained the line of the Party alone, it has become the line of the masses." Serving the people is the line guiding the PLA. Because of this it will continue to lead the people and daily become stronger, marching forward on the road to communism. ★

LONG LIVE THE PARTY OF LABOR OF ALBANIA!!!



Comrade Enver Hoxha has led the Party of Albania since its founding. Here he talks with peasants learning from them.



ALBANIAN WOMEN FIGHT for SOCIALISM

(From the Report to the 7th Congress by Enver Hoxha)

"The Albanian woman has come into the arena of the struggle for socialism full of dignity, and is outstanding for her high revolutionary spirit, her self-determination and patriotism, and distinguishes herself at work and in life. Today, she is found everywhere, in the fields and factories, in schools and laboratories. Highly responsible positions in the Party and state have been entrusted to her.

Our reality refutes all the bourgeois and revisionist 'theories' on the roads to the emancipation of the woman. The attempts of the bourgeoisie in the capitalist countries to turn the struggle of the emancipation of the working woman against her husband, children and family are aimed at diverting her from the revolutionary struggle and disrupting the common front of the working class and the working people against the real oppressors and exploiters. The demagoguery of the modern revisionists, too, relating the solution of this major social problem to the policy of 'peace and disarmament' is intended to make the woman give up the revolution.

"THE COMPLETE EMANCIPATION OF THE WOMAN IS A PROTRACTED AND COMPLICATED PROCESS. IT PRESUPPOSES NOT ONLY A LIBERATED WOMAN, BUT ALSO AN ENTIRE SOCIETY COMPLETELY LIBERATED FROM POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL OPPRESSION AS WELL AS FROM ALIEN CONCEPTS AND PREJUDICES ABOUT WOMEN." ★



CHILILI

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be generated to pay delinquent taxes to the state. As soon as the loan was repaid the Association was to dissolve and the management of the grant and the common lands was to come under the people of Chilili, represented by its Land Grant Council.

The FHA had refused to approve the loan unless the villagers deeded the land grant to the private corporation. The Association was quickly infiltrated by Anglo-American capitalist landowners, corrupt politicians and Chicano "leaders" at the service of the oppressors. They proceeded to exclude the "small people" of Chilili from decision-making power and eventually from membership in the Association itself. The Association then violated its own by-laws and began selling the common lands and giving land titles to outside interests. The current president of the Association is Leo Dow, who has presided over the sale or transfer of 25,000 acres of Association lands. He was also responsible for the sale of land to the La Jara Estates, a land development company which has taken the area of the grant most abundant in natural resources, (water, pasture, lumber, etc.).

La Jara Estates is exploiting the lifeblood of Chilili, its natural resources, but is still not satisfied. It is collaborating with Dow for the sale of the last 5000 acres left in the grant. In the face of the determined resistance of the villagers, the state has begun bringing trumped-up criminal charges against their leaders. For example, one villager was held on \$30,000 bond for the alleged theft of a car stereo.

RESISTANCE INTENSIFIES

Neither fraud, deceit or physical threats have been able to deter the people of Chilili from fighting for their land and national rights. In 1973 they formed the Committee to Reform and Preserve the Lands of the Chilili Land Grant, which has won the leadership of the broad masses in its fight for the grant. Almost a year before the actual confrontation the villagers, under the leadership of El Comite, had called for the blockage of the road leading to La Jara Estates. The villagers had posted signs warning the state and the land developers that the road was land grant property and not a public (for La Jara) road. Dow and La Jara Estates turned to the puppet courts for a restraining order against the villagers. Naturally the court complied with their "request".

The villagers could only turn to their guns. The villagers have continually kicked out the state and county surveyors, as well as their police escorts, who have come to survey their land for the development corporations. Right now the Land Grant case is tied up in district court, where the capitalists hope it will die. They hope to stall action on the case to the point where the steam will run out of the villagers' struggle. But the people refuse to give up. As one villager said "It will take the killing of every man, woman and child in Chilili to stop us from fighting for what is rightfully ours."

THE CHICANO NATION

The capitalists continue to harbor the dream in taking over the entire grant. On November, 1976 the Central New Mexico Electric Cooperative (a capitalist utility company) began setting up utility poles on the Chilili grant. Not more than 6 poles went up before the villagers confronted the Electric Co-op telling them to remove the poles from the land, or else the villagers would do it for them. The issue remains to be settled, one way or another.

The Chicano people have fought for decades for their national rights. They have seen their lands stolen from them and the vast mineral resources of their nation exploited for the benefit of the small Anglo-American imperialist class. They have seen generation after generation of Chicano workers labor in the factories, mines, fields and railroads of the Southwest--all for the profit of the capitalists. Their nation is controlled by that same handful of leeches who rob the fruits of lifelong labor from the entire working class. That same capitalist class which regularly sends us off to fight their wars, which makes us pay for its crisis with unemployment and misery is also oppressing an entire nation of people in the Southwest--the Chicano people.

While the Chicano people produce untold wealth for our enemy, they are made to suffer discrimination, double-digit unemployment, a high infant mortality rate, the destruction of their language and culture, police repression and every other national abomination which an oppressor can visit upon his victim. The Chicano people have the absolute right to control their nation. They have the right to determine the political destiny of that nation, including the right to secede from the U.S. state if they so desire. Only a committed fight for this right by the entire U.S. working class makes that class worthy of the title of "leading class" of society. The struggle in Chilili is more than a fight for a few thousand acres of land, it is a fight of a PEOPLE for their national destiny--for complete national freedom and equality. ★



Free Hurricane Carter & John Artis

A racist frame-up in 1966 put Rubin 'Hurricane' Carter and John Artis in prison for the last 9 years. Finally, last March, a retrial was won. The state's tactic in this trial was to ignore the facts and concentrate on whipping up racist sentiments, trying to prove a motive of racial revenge" in the killings. Part of the intensified attacks by the capitalists on the rising struggles of the oppressed nationalities, the state again succeeded in railroading the case through the court, getting a reconviction for both men.

Back in 1966, Rubin Carter was a leading contender for the middleweight boxing championship. He was also a strong fighter for the rights of Black people in this country. He fully supported the rebellions that were sweeping the country at that time. "Self-defense is the absolute right of every living being on earth. The Black public ought to protect its own against this type of tyrannical invasion by white cops into Black neighborhoods."

The ruling class feared this militancy which exposed the system as the problem, so it had to be stopped. They succeeded in putting Carter and Artis in jail for 9 years for a slaying they didn't commit. But 8 years later, the state's only witness came forward and swore that they had been forced by the police to lie in exchange for light sentences on the robbery charge they were facing, plus a \$10,000 reward. At the same time militant demonstrations and mass support began nationwide. The pressure of the masses forced the court to grant a new trial. So what happened? Once they had won a new trial, the defense relied on the courts and not the people for "justice", stopping all mass support activities for the struggle.

What we must learn from this struggle is that it will only be through the mass revolutionary action of the people that prisoners like Carter and Artis will be freed, and that the struggle for self-determination for the Afro-American nation can become a reality.

These jailings and those of so many other heroic brothers and sisters who have stood up to this system are bringing on a renewed outrage of the people. We demand the freedom of Hurricane Carter and John Artis!! ★

DEMANDS OF LA FEDERACION

La Federacion, a united front of many organizations in the oppressed Chicano nation in the Southwest which struggles for the complete liberation of the Chicano and native American people from imperialism, calls on our brothers and sisters of the Anglo-American working class, on the Afro-American nation and the Chicano and Indian people, to rally to the support of the struggle of the heroic people of Chilili.

1. IMMEDIATE REMOVAL OF THE CENTRAL NEW MEXICO ELECTRIC CO-OP FROM THE CHILILI LAND GRANT BY WHATEVER MEANS NECESSARY!!
2. THE DISBANDING OF THE CORRUPT CHILILI COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION WHICH DOES NOT SERVE THE PEOPLE!!
3. THE IMMEDIATE RETURN OF THE ORIGINAL 41,486 ACRES, TO THE HEIRS AND THE VILLAGERS OF THE CHILILI LAND GRANT!!
4. FULL RECOGNITION TO EL COMITE AS THE LAND GRANT COUNCIL, WITH FULL AUTHORITY TO MANAGE

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cialist state -- a state where justice and the equality of all people will reign as a matter of course.

This article was submitted to the Revolutionary Cause by the Chicano Legal Workers group of Colorado.

DAN'S FIRST TRIAL ENDED WITH A HUNG JURY, AND HE NEEDS SUPPORT FOR HIS RE-TRIAL. SEND DONATIONS TO DAN ULIBARRI LEGAL DEFENSE FUND, P.O. BOX 914, DENVER, COLORADO. ★

Greely Attacks NOT Isolated Incidents

Police attacks are not isolated incidents occurring only in Greeley but are part of the rising number of police attacks which are taking place all over the country.

IN DENVER, COLORADO on April 13, 1976, CARL NEWLAND, a Black man and Air Force retiree, was picked up by police as a suspect in a robbery. Newland was immediately taken to the scene where the victim told police he was not the robber. The police arrested Newland anyway and took him in only because he protested his innocence too loudly. Within a few hours Carl Newland lay dead in his cell due to a blow received from the jailers, none of whom were ever discharged.

IN NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WE FIND GARY TYLER, a Black youth sentenced to life in prison as the result of a framed-up murder charge. The charge stems from the death of a White youth who was part of a racist gang attacking a busload of Black students. Even though the state's star witness in this case had admitted she was forced to lie on the stand, the court has refused to release Gary Tyler.

IN CASTROVILLE, TEXAS, RICARDO MORALES was picked up and taken for a ride by Police Chief Frank Hayes, a self-admitted Chicano-killer who gunned down Morales in cold blood. Hayes was convicted of aggravated assault instead of murder and will be eligible for parole in 20 months.

IN PINE RIDGE, SOUTH DAKOTA, the federal authorities including the FBI and the local Bureau of Indian Affairs goon squads have combined forces to keep the Native American population on the reservation in a state of terror. The U.S. governments' use of SWAT teams, helicopters, and armored vehicles on the reservation clearly shows their true role -- that of an occupation army keeping an oppressed people under military control.

Throughout the country Mexicanos, Latinos and Asians and Chicanos are daily being subjected to detention, harassment and gestapo-like searches at the hands of the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the local police authorities. Through sensationalized media accounts of the growing "illegal alien problem" the undocumented worker has become the scapegoat for an economic and political system in crisis. By placing the blame on the undocumented worker as the cause of the high unemployment rate, the rich have once more distorted the real cause of the economic crisis and have also caused further division among the working class and among the various nationalities. The real cause of the economic crisis is not the undocumented worker but the brutal system of capitalism, which lives only for the profit of a few.

STATEHOOD OFFER WILL NOT STOP PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT

"The Yankees have no right to govern the people of Puerto Rico. And a people filled with courage and dignity cannot be suppressed by imperialism. Whoever is not prepared to risk his life, let him hide. If you want liberty, you must fight for it!"

Pedro Albizu Campos, 1891-1965



The rise of Pedro Albizu Campos to the presidency of the Nationalist Party in Puerto Rico in the 30's, helped to turn that independence movement into one that was revolutionary and anti-imperialist.

Former President Ford's last-minute effort to make U.S. history by recommending statehood for Puerto Rico in order to shore up U.S. control over the island caused such an angry uproar among Puerto Rican communities across the U.S. and in Puerto Rico that the recommendation was shelved until 1980. Puerto Rican politicians scrambled to cool things down by voicing their support for continuing the commonwealth status of the island. And even President Jimmy Carter was forced to say the island's residents should decide for themselves if they want statehood, presumably by referendum. But Carter's pose is one of sheer hypocrisy. A referendum in Puerto Rico will be meaningless as long as the United States controls the island's economy and government, and maintains military forces on its soil. The people of Puerto Rico will be "free to choose their status" only when they have removed all U.S. economic and political control of their nation.

As puppets of the bourgeoisie, what Ford and Carter are really worried about is the growing independence movement in Puerto Rico, as well as the Soviet Union's increasing efforts to penetrate it in order to bring the island under its social-imperialist control.

BRUTAL OPPRESSION LAYS BASIS FOR RESISTANCE

Ever since the U.S. seized control of Puerto

Rico from Spain in 1898, the Puerto Rican economy has been tailored to meet the profit-making needs of U.S. industry.

Today, the American plunder of Puerto Rico has grown more intense than ever. The hundreds of multinational corporations operating in Puerto Rico control more than 80% of the island's industry and reap annual profits of 30% compared to the 13% or 18% that can be gotten inside the U.S. Each year the U.S. corporations suck more than \$1.2 billion in tax-free profits out of the sweat and blood of the Puerto Rican people.

Politically, the "commonwealth" government of Puerto Rico governs practically nothing. More

than 85% of the basic areas of government that constitute national sovereignty (such as judicial appeals, communications, transportation, citizenship, labor matters, military use of the island, etc.) remain under the direct control of the U.S. Congress. Furthermore, the economic and political oppression of Puerto Rico is backed up by a string of U.S. military bases that take up 13% of the island's best land.

As an oppressed nation, Puerto Rico is forced to shoulder the burden of the deepening economic crisis of U.S. imperialism. Unemployment runs at 40 to 50%. More than 1/3 of the population has been forced to immigrate to the United States. Puerto Ricans must work for 1/3 of the wages received by Americans on the mainland, while the cost of living on the island is 25% higher. At the same time, the imperialists have sterilized 40% of the Puerto Rican women on the island as their "solution" to the unemployment problem and to quell the growing resistance to their rule.

THE FIGHT FOR INDEPENDENCE

Historically, the Puerto Rican people have fought for their independence, first against Spain and now against the United States. For example, during the depression of the 1930's the Puerto Rican Nationalist Party arose under the leadership of Pedro Albizu Campos. Despite bans of public demonstrations, police raids and massacres at the hands of the authorities, the Nationalist Party carried on a 20-year mass struggle for independence that culminated with an armed uprising at Jayuya in 1950. The U.S. crushed the revolt and the newly-proclaimed Republic of Puerto Rico with military force and unleashed a wave of police terror throughout the island.

And to quell the anger of the Puerto Rican masses, Puerto Rico was declared a "commonwealth" of the United States and proclaimed a "showcase of democracy". Yet, not even statehood could ever quell the desire of the Puerto Rican people for independence. In recent years there have been many general strikes and massive student demonstrations demanding independence from U.S. imperialism. At the same time, peoples around the world are recognizing Puerto Rico's right to independence. Both at the United Nations and at the 1976 Conference of Non-Aligned Nations in Sri Lanka resolutions have been passed declaring Puerto Rico a colony which should be independent of U.S. imperialism.

The realization is growing in Puerto Rico that Albizu Campos and the Nationalists of the 1950's were right -- only through an armed struggle will the Puerto Rican people win their independence. At the same time, Puerto Ricans must be vigilant in order to thwart Soviet social-imperialist's attempts to steal their independence the way U.S. imperialism did when they were fighting to free themselves from Spanish colonialism. And it is the task of all workers and Communists to expose the fraud of "commonwealth" and "Statehood" and to give material and moral support to the Puerto Rican independence movement. We must especially be vigilant to the maneuvers of the Carter government which will undoubtedly advance the deception of a "referendum" in order to sanctify U.S. colonial domination of Puerto Rico.

INDEPENDENCE FOR PUERTO RICO!!

SMASH U.S. IMPERIALISM!!

KEEP OUT SOVIET SOCIAL-IMPERIALISM!!



C.I.A. EXPERIMENTS: Drugs on People

Only a few months ago, the Senate Intelligence Committee and other investigators found that:

- Intelligence officials secretly tested LSD on perhaps hundreds of persons over a decade.
- At least two Americans died as a result and an untold number of others might have been affected.
- The drug subjects - some consenting but others unsuspecting - included scientists, soldiers, prison inmates and even random Americans found drinking in bars.
- CIA agents continued with LSD experiments after being warned by their superiors that LSD was "dynamite."
- After the suicide of one unwitting subject top CIA officials approved a plan to cover up the agency's part in the experiment.
- The agents involved in the experiment were not reprimanded because a drug research director warned that a reprimand could affect "the initiative and enthusiasm so necessary in our work."

GERM WAR TESTS ON PEOPLE EXPOSED OVERTHROW MURDEROUS CAPITALIST SYSTEM!

ARMY CONDUCTS GERM WAR TESTS ON U.S. POPULATION

The U.S. army has admitted staging germ warfare tests in eight populated areas between 1950 and 1966. The targets of the army's simulated attacks with biological substance were San Francisco, California in 1950; Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania in 1951; Key West, Florida and Fort McClellan, Alabama in 1952; Panama City, Florida in 1953; Point Mugu and Port Hueneme, California in 1954; and on New York City's subway system in 1966.

The army used a substance called Serratia Marcescens, which they claim does not cause disease. But newspaper reports stated that one man died in San Francisco after the 1950 test. His death was caused by Serratia in his bloodstream. The December 21 issue of Newsday newspaper reported that following the 1952 test at Fort McClellan, the number of pneumonia cases more than doubled in the surrounding county. The same thing occurred in Key West after the testing there. Serratia has been identified as one cause of pneumonia.

WAGE SLAVES AND GUINEA PIGS

The capitalists have been stealing the fruits of labor produced by the working class for generation upon generation. Mindless of the health and safety of the working class in their unquenchable thirst for profit, they annually condemn thousands of workers to death from occupational hazards, and hundreds more to disease and injury from job-related causes. But it seems that this is not enough to satisfy our capitalist masters. Now we must also serve as the guinea pigs for their war preparations.

It is not enough that millions of workers must fight and die in their wars, now we must sacrifice our health and our lives in "peacetime" so that they can perfect new weapons of death! But this is no surprise. It is a logical outcome of a system which is ruled by a class of parasites. All of their fine talk about "morality" and "decency" disappears in the rush for more profit. It is a simple transition from wage slave to guinea pig as far as the capitalists are concerned. We can be sure that there will be no germ war tests conducted in the areas where THEY live.

WE MUST OVERTHROW CAPITALISM

Capitalism gives us political corruption, unemployment, national oppression, the oppression of women, and the constant brooding sense of insecurity. Women are the subjects of the capitalists' birth control tests and oppressed nationality women are the victims of their sterilization programs. Now large sectors of the population are sprayed with "biological substances" so that the capitalist army can expand its arsenal. The time has more than arrived when we must overthrow this evil system if we are to survive. We cannot waste even one precious minute more in building the leadership required for our struggle. Every class-conscious worker has long recognized the necessity for this leadership, and they are demanding communist unity and that the revolutionary party of the working class be built so that we can finally end this murderous system of capitalism, and build on its ashes the socialist system which will inscribe on its banner the call: End the exploitation of man by man! ★

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ment, wanted us to let the WVO continue their disruptions. These chauvinists, who refuse to speak on a burning question of democratic rights -- called for "democracy" for the WVO. ATM has participated in forums sponsored by the WVO. We have never disrupted a single one of their forums, or the forum of any other group for that matter. It is our view that forums are places where all revolutionaries can come to wage common and principled struggle over the burning questions of our movement. We make a conscious effort to see that class-conscious workers and other revolutionaries come to these forums for theoretical and practical guidance and to struggle for the correct line. We refuse to allow any set of clowns or opportunists to smear mud on the name of communism, or to drive the workers away from these forums through any type of infantile antics. We hope that this position is clear to the WVO and to any other group which may have ideas about disrupting our political events.

WORKERS AND OPPRESSED PEOPLES OF THE WORLD
UNITE!

BUILD THE NEW MARXIST-LENINIST PARTY OF THE
WORKING CLASS!

STUDENTS UNITE To Defeat BAKKE!

Over 400 students met at the University of California in Berkeley January 15 to plan future statewide actions against the Bakke Decision of September 16 in which the California Supreme Court ruled that special admissions programs to the University of California at Davis Medical School were unconstitutional. The Davis Medical School program allowed only 16 minority students to compete separately for admission to medical school out of a total entering class of 100. The Supreme Court ruled even this token program illegal because of "reverse discrimination" -- national minorities were admitted before "better qualified" whites.

MASS ACTIONS PLANNED

Students of different nationalities have already held mass demonstrations and rallies at UC Berkeley, UC Los Angeles, Cal State Northridge and other campuses across the state. The actions have been spearheaded by Chicano students, who are organized through their MEChA (Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Atzlan or "Chicano Student Movement of Atzlan") organizations. At the Berke-

MEXICO BUS STRIKE SHAKES UP U.S. IMPERIALISTS

Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. At about 3:00 a.m., January 5, a force from the Chihuahua State Police armed with American-made M-1 carbines and shotguns raided the premises of Transportes del Valle, S.A. and arrested twenty-two strikers who had taken over the bus depot.

The bus drivers for the company had gone on strike five months ago demanding recognition of their union which they are entitled under Mexican law. After going through state and federal courts and being denied their rights, the workers decided to forget bourgeois legality and took over the depot of Transportes del Valle.

The bus company is located in the twin-plant area of Juarez and thus its major service is taking workers to the U.S. owned plants. U.S. capitalists feared that if the militant bus drivers union succeeded, the 23,000 workers in the twin plants would be stirred toward militant action. Thus, even though the strike was within Mexican law, their union was not recognized. The leadership of the unions at the twin-plants are sold out to U.S. imperialism and do not protect the interests of the workers who are used as cheap labor by the U.S. companies like General Electric, RCA and Zenith.

On January 6, over 500 protesters gathered at Juarez' Plaza de Armas to protest the fascist action of the state and demand the release of the

22 arrested workers in El Paso have also supported this struggle since the strikers had often publicized their struggle in El Paso through such organizations as Chicanos Unidos and Unidad Para Siempre, a Farah workers rank-and-file organization.

(We thank our comrades from El Paso, Texas for sending us this article and others in this edition of REVOLUTIONARY CAUSE--ATM)

What Are Twin Plants?

The "twin-plant" operations in Juarez are a result of Mexico's Border Industrialization Program (BIP), which allows entirely foreign-owned corporations (i.e. American) to set up labor-intensive assembly shops within a 12 1/2 mile strip of land south of the international border, pay Mexican workers a fraction of the U.S. wage rate, and contribute almost nothing in taxes or import duties to the Mexican government.

Thus, U.S. corporations vastly increase their profits by housing the labor-intensive portions of their assembly operations in the "maquiladoras" (plants on the Mexican side of the border), while the more automated portions, or portions for which special tariff advantages are not available, are located in a smaller "twin-plant" on the U.S. side.

ley Conference the following demands were submitted by the Committee to Defeat the Bakke Decision and were approved unanimously for future statewide actions:

1. Overturn the Bakke Decision, we demand proportional representation in admissions and hiring of minorities.

2. The University of California must plead guilty to past and present discrimination as documented by the coalition.

3. UC must accept the coalition's co-counsel to represent minorities.

4. No more cutbacks in minority programs -- increase funds to and control by minorities in all educational institutions.

5. Expand hiring and admissions of women -- more funds for women's programs without cutbacks in minority hiring and admissions programs.

During the conference opportunist organizations like CASA and the Socialist Workers Party attempted to lead the students down the path of legislative and judicial reform. But most students united that mass actions directed at the college and university campuses would be the main method of overturning the Bakke Decision and expanding minority admissions and hiring.

at minorities, not only in education, but also at the workplace. In response to Bakke, the California State government has eliminated an affirmative action plan for the Department of Corrections (prison system). And according to the Los Angeles Times, September 17, even "law and medical school deans interviewed said that without preferential admissions policies there will be almost no minority students in their schools, no matter how aggressively they recruit."

The Bakke Decision and similar moves by the bourgeoisie across the country comes at a time when the state is cutting back funds for education, health and day care facilities. The bourgeoisie hopes to mislead white students into fighting national minorities for the few admissions available, rather than fighting the imperialist system which denies everyone a decent education. By recognizing and fighting against the special oppression of minority students, all students can unite to build a revolutionary student movement aimed at the real enemy: imperialism.

(There will be more on the UC Berkeley Conference and the struggle against Bakke in a future edition of REVOLUTIONARY CAUSE -- ATM) ★



"Turn the imperialist war into a civil war!" This was the policy of the Bolsheviks during W.W.I. If we are unable to prevent them from waging a world war with the Soviet Union, it is our task as part of one superpower to intensify our struggle and overthrow "our" capitalists one and all! In this way we help build the worldwide front against the two superpowers.

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vent them from waging a world war with the Soviet Union we are duty bound to turn such a war into a civil war aimed at smashing the capitalist state and putting into power the workers' dictatorship. In this way we contribute to the worldwide united front against both superpowers. This front is our surest guarantee for the prevention of war, for the advancement of the forces of liberation, independence and revolution. ★



Bloodsuckers

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in Leningrad doesn't "grease the manager's palm" with rubles, he won't get anywhere with his car repairs. In Armenia, a clerk in industrial medical department took bribes from a number of pensioners to the tune of 22,500 rubles.

He continued: In another big-time operation, officials of a vegetable cannery in Azerbaijan swindled 11 million U.S. dollars by leasing land.

The correspondent said: The Soviet "economy and state are an ideal breeding ground for this kind of crime".

UNRESTRAINED SQUANDERING

The Soviet bourgeoisie is freely squandering the huge wealth squeezed out of the working people. The Western press reported that bigwigs above the rank of vice-minister and a handful of intellectual aristocrats not only possess plush residences but also luxurious dachas and villas on the outskirts of Moscow, on the Crimea or the Black Sea. A high-ranking Ukrainian official built himself a four-story palatial dacha on the Yalta beach. Building materials including sand for covering the beach front and indoor furnishings and decorations were transported from remote places. Even the manager of a building trust spent more than 400,000 rubles building a "paradise-like resort" where he employed 17 servants and maids. A bourgeois element may spend "hundreds of rubles on a meal" at a smart restaurant. Revisionist chieftains and intellectual aristocrats have "special ration cards" with which to buy imported luxuries and delicacies at special shops.

Inexorable facts have given the lie to the Brezhnev clique's assertion that "there are no exploiting classes in the Soviet Union." This handful of new bourgeois elements are greedy bloodsuckers and sworn enemies of the masses of the Soviet working people. ★