



# WORKERS' INSTITUTE OF MARXISM-LENINISM- MAO TSETUNG THOUGHT

**'Practise Marxism, and not revisionism.'—Chairman Mao**

## REVOLUTIONARY FILMSHOW

### RED

# DETACHMENT

# OF WOMEN

## IN CELEBRATION OF

# INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

**Date: March 8, 1977 (Tuesday)**

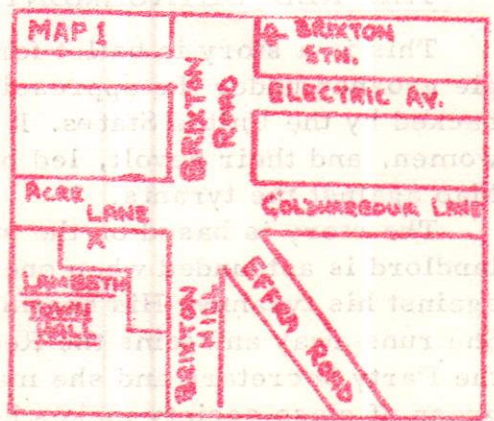
**Place: Lambeth Town Hall,**

**Assembly Hall**

**Brixton Hill, London SW 2**

**Time: 7.00 pm Ticket: 15p**

**Tube: Brixton. Bus: 2, 159, 35 etc.**



**UPHOLD PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONALISM!**

March 8, International Working Women's Day, is the day when women throughout the world renew their pledge to struggle against exploitation and oppression with redoubled efforts together with fellow working men, against their common oppressors, the tiny handful of reactionaries who live off the backs of the people. It is also the day when working women throughout the world forge closer unity and solidarity with fellow women in their common struggle against capitalism, colonialism, imperialism and hegemonism.

International Working Women's Day this year is the 67th anniversary of the Day. It was first celebrated as women's day on March 8, 1910 at the proposal of Clara Zetkin with whom the great Lenin worked closely, at the international socialist women's conference in Copenhagen.

History is replete with the accounts of the glorious resistance of the masses of people against poverty, hunger, aggression, and the struggle for dignity of the labouring people. Women have been active participants in all these rebellions. This militant and revolutionary tradition of women is reflected today in Britain in the mass upsurge of the women workers, students, teachers, and others. However, the bourgeoisie and their agents in the working-class movement are busy diverting women from the path of proletarian revolution and the dictatorship of the proletariat by leading them up the blind alley of "equal pay", "free abortion" and so on. But these attempts to abort proletarian revolution with the so-called "National Abortion Campaign" are in vain because more and more women are today seeing through these cunning tricks.

The most pressing problem facing the people in Britain is the increasing hardships and exploitation imposed upon them by the tiny handful, the fascist bourgeoisie, who are pushing the burden of the final crisis of the imperialist system on to the working people so as to forestall their own complete collapse. However, we are about to witness this year, the dismantling of the common enemy of all mankind, imperialism, in particular the two superpowers, the United States and Soviet Union, who bully the people of the whole world. Revolution in Britain cannot be looked at aside from the dismantling of the military bloc NATO, led by the superpower United States, which commands Britain's armed forces. For this the main force is the People's Liberation Army of China led by our Party, the Communist Party of China and beloved Chairman Hua, leading world people's revolution to victory by rallying the people of the whole world including the people of United States, Soviet Union and Britain in the International United Front to defeat the two superpowers and establish the new political power, the INTERNATIONAL DICTATORSHIP OF THE PROLETARIAT, in place of the international dictatorship of the bourgeoisie, the backbone of which is the NATO and Warsaw Pact forces.

Only with the defeat of the imperialist bourgeoisie can the working and oppressed people of the whole world, including women, lift up their heads and become masters of their own destiny. This is today the genuine rallying point for all working women.

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"THE RED DETACHMENT OF WOMEN" (colour film)

This is a story in ballet form about the dark and bitter days when the Chinese people groaned under the oppressive feudal rule propped up by the Chiang Kai-shek bandits backed by the United States. It highlights in particular the plight of the oppressed women, and their revolt, led by the Communist Party of China and beloved Chairman Mao against the tyrants.

The story is based on the struggles of the people on Hainan Island. The despotic landlord is astounded when one of his slaves, a young girl called Wu Ching-hua rebels against his tyranny. His beatings and tortures fail to break her spirit of resistance. She runs away and joins the Red Army women's detachment where she is educated by the Party Secretary and she matures as a staunch revolutionary fighter. Her limited grasp of class society makes her impulsive, bent on personal revenge against the tyrant. But the Party educates her with the profound truth: "WITHOUT EMANCIPATING ALL OF MANKIND THE PROLETARIAT CANNOT ACHIEVE ITS OWN FINAL EMANCIPATION". She then realises that she should not just seek personal revenge but participate in overthrowing the oppressive class rule of feudalism and imperialism in China, and participate in mankind's fight against all the forces of oppression and exploitation throughout the world until communism is achieved.

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