



## FORWARD

The US bourgeoisie and the Stalinists are trying to crush the working class  
**Build the revolutionary leadership of the UAW!**  
Join the fight for a workers party and a workers government!

Anyone who has read the newspapers or watched the news on television in the last weeks must be wondering what is going on. US capitalism has suddenly appeared with a "new face."

Announcement after announcement is coming out of the White House and Congress dealing with US imperialism's sudden concern for "human rights." Carter writes letters and meets with Soviet dissidents, he talks on the phone with someone holding hostages, he allows the Hanafi Moslems to be released without bail.

The US Congress has just "discovered" that 82 countries that the US supplies military aid to "systematically violate human rights" and announces some small cuts in military assistance to certain countries in Latin America. And at the same time it announces that of course, it will not cut any aid to countries who "have a strategic importance to the US."

In reality, the workers know very well what is going on. This "new face" is nothing but a cynical fraud, an attempt to cover up the real plans of US imperialism. We don't have to list the systematic violation of human rights that goes on today in the US, or that US imperialism engages in around the world to expose this fraud, but it is important to clarify why the US bourgeoisie has engaged in this maneuver.

In face of the international upsurge of the workers, class struggle, the bourgeoisie are attacking this mobilization of the working class-- "austerity plans" in every major capitalist country, unemployment, inflation and the strengthening of the repressive apparatuses of the capitalist state, it must make a last-ditch attempt to give itself a "democratic" face, to make the workers think, if only for a moment of hesitation, that bourgeois democracy is still an alternative for them. This is all they want-- a moment of hesitation in the struggles of the workers to give them time to prepare their bloody counterrevolution.

This plan could never be accomplished without the decisive support of the international Stalinist apparatus of the Kremlin and its "Communist" parties around the world. This is their task-- to hold back the workers struggles, to make them hesitate for a moment with illusions in bourgeois democracy, while the bourgeoisie increases and deepens their attacks.

In Eastern Europe and the USSR the Stalinists totally discredit the name of the dictatorship of the proletariat with their bloody repression. They give Carter his material for "human rights" which is meant to justify the intervention of US capitalism and the overthrow of the socialist conquests.

In Western Europe, the Communist Parties attack the repression in Eastern Europe only as an excuse for them to give up the fight for the socialist revolution and to become the foremost defenders of bourgeois democracy in Europe. In Spain they compliment the fascist dictatorship for "trying to reform itself." In Italy, they denounced workers and students who took to the streets to protest the police assassination of a leftist leader as "an anti-democratic provocation."

And in the US, the American Stalinists have made a new turn in building their "liberal-labor-black coalition," that is, trying to derail the struggles of the US workers into an attempt to reform the Democratic Party and US Congress.

The US working class has a decisive role to play in turning back this plot of the imperialists and the Stalinists. The fight of the US workers to take up a fight against the bourgeoisie and the Stalinists as an INTERNATIONAL task, will be the key to the success of the European revolution which is on the agenda today.

The fight of the workers against the Carter regime has deepened. It is being expressed today in the form of the deep mobilization of the workers in the key trade unions against the trade union bureaucracy. They are the most direct representatives of the Carter regime and the Democratic party that the workers face daily.

## White House gardener supports RWY march in Washington!

BY JON COHEN  
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AS THE DELEGATION OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WORKER YOUTH IN WASHINGTON, D.C. RALLIED IN FRONT OF THE WHITE HOUSE ON MARCH 11TH UNDER THE SLOGANS: STOP THE ATTACK OF CARTER AND THE OIL PROFITERS AGAINST THE WORKING CLASS! BUILD A WORKERS PARTY TO FIGHT FOR THE UNITED SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF THE TWO AMERICAS! A GARDENER WORKING AT THE WHITE HOUSE BEGAN TO CROSS THE LAWN.

WE CALLED TO HIM AND ACROSS A HUGE METAL FENCE WITH LARGE METAL POINTS ON TOP OF IT. ("WELLMENDED FENCES MAKE GOOD NEIGHBORS.") WE EXPLAINED TO HIM THE PURPOSE OF OUR RALLY AND INVITED HIM TO JOIN US IN OUR MARCH TO THE CAPITOL. HE SAID THAT HE COULD NOT JOIN US, BUT TOOK A LARGE BUNDLE OF OUR LEAFLETS TO DISTRIBUTE INSIDE THE WHITE HOUSE AND CONTRIBUTED A DOLLAR TO THE RWY.

## Woodcock & 'Autoworkers United to Fight' say: FRASER! The Trotskyist Organization/USA says: NO!-

# Build the Revolutionary Workers Faction in the UAW!



ROBERT JONES AND FRED VITALE. CANDIDATES OF THE RWY FOR DELEGATES TO THE UAW CONVENTION.

By DAVID HEFFELFINGER

Amid spreading local strikes in auto, elections are being held for delegates to the Constitutional Convention of the United Auto Workers union (UAW). The strikes have now spread to the Jefferson Avenue Chrysler plant in Detroit and to a Fisher Body plant in Ohio. The strikes, at a time when the UAW bureaucracy has mustered all its forces behind Fraser, the hand-picked successor to Woodcock to ensure peace at their convention in May, shows the explosiveness of the situation in auto. In this vice between the workers angry upsurge and the attempts of the UAW bureaucracy to stop it, all the worker's leaderships are being put to the test once again.

Last week, for the first time, a member of the Revolutionary Worker Youth at the Ford River Rouge plant, and a member of the Trotskyist Organization at Ford Torrence in Chicago ran as delegates to the UAW convention. Their platform and candidacy (see platform) continues the struggle led by the Trotskyist Organization and the Revolutionary Worker Youth in the auto strike.

Like the thousands of auto workers who are striking, the TO and RWY do not accept the sellout contract negotiated by Woodcock. They are leading the struggle to mobilize all the auto workers against the attacks of the Carter government and the bureaucrats. Among other things our platform demands to STOP THE ATTACK OF CARTER AND THE OIL PROFITERS, and FULL DEMOCRACY IN THE TRADE UNIONS.

Our strategy to lead the strikes is clearly spelled out in the platforms of our candidates. ELECT FACTORY COMMITTEES to give leadership to the strikes on the basis of the democratic will of all auto workers, and to fight for WORKERS CONTROL OF PRODUCTION to end the speedup, the layoffs, and the harassment. Young workers in the auto plants responded not only with support to our delegates but also the Day of Action built by the RWY in Washington D.C. to fight for a United Socialist Republic of the Americas.

### TIME-TO-UNITE VS. REVOLUTION

At the same time that the young workers with the TO and the RWY are leading the combat against the alliance of the trade union bureaucrats and the capitalists, several so-called "oppositions" have formed which seek to water down the revolutionary character of the workers strikes and actions. One of the most serious obstacles to building a revolutionary leadership in

the UAW is the "Auto Workers United to Fight" coalition. This coalition unites several "rank-and-file" newsletters such as that of Time-to- Unite at Ford River Rouge in Detroit. In the auto strike the RWY fought to expose the deal that was worked out between Jimmy Carter, the Democratic Party and the Woodcock bureaucracy to keep the workers in line during the elections and the auto strike. The Time-to- Unite organization (don't let the name fool you) followed the local bureaucrats around, tearing up any of our election literature they could find. The only thing they proposed was to "Vote No," but not to remove the leadership responsible for the sellout.

Now in the delegate elections Auto Workers United to Fight is trying to run the same old game on the auto workers. Let's take a look at their platform. First of all, though they claim to have campaigns going at more than 20 locals, the AWUF is not putting forward a candidate against Fraser. In fact they say, "Doug Fraser will be made the new UAW president..." and "...the rank and file has no candidates to seriously challenge Fraser's election." Well, now, there's something honest. Rank-and-file don't consider AWUF a "serious challenge" to Fraser's election! They are perfectly satisfied with remaining a "house opposition".

Under point 5 of their platform, "Stop Using our Union to Pin the Tail on the Donkey," AWUF goes on to say, "According to them, the bureaucrats -- TRUTH there's no real

problem that can't be solved by voting Democratic, or spending our union dues LOBBYING Congress."

Now you really have to rub your eyes at that one. Last month, Time-to- Unite devoted its entire issue to support for a demonstration of the Unemployed Workers Organizing Committee (UWOC) in Lansing in order to LOBBY the Michigan legislature. And they used union dues to do it because the Local #600 bureaucracy supported the demonstration and paid for buses to Lansing.

As for the rest of their platform, it is as empty and abstract as the platforms of the left-bureaucrats and offers no strategy to link up the wildcats of the auto workers now going on. And under their demand to "Break the International's pro-company Dictatorship," there is not the slightest word about the right of revolutionary workers to the Stalinist-backed Time-to- Unite organization.

After looking at their platform, it is no wonder that AWUF never explains that it is supported by the Maoist Revolutionary Communist Party. Because just like their Stalinist brothers in the American Communist Party and around the world, there is nothing "revolutionary" about either the AWUF or the Revolutionary Communist Party. Behind their revolutionary rhetoric is their real position -- that the US working class is not ready for revolutionary change, but can only "pressure" Fraser and the UAW bureaucracy and "pressure" the Michigan legislature and the Democratic Party. And this as well explains their use of violence against militants of the Fourth International in the UAW. Not Woodcock or Fraser, but the Fourth International is the greatest threat to them.

This TAILING of the workers in auto, that is, chasing after the struggles of the workers with left-rhetoric, is the trademark, not only of Stalinism, but of centrism as well. Fundamentally, the policy of the Socialist Workers Party and Time-to- Unite are the same -- pressure on the bureaucracy, acceptance of capitalism as inevitable, and left rhetoric in order to look good to the workers.

What all these opportunist tendencies in the trade unions have in common is their worship of the sanctity of the trade union struggle, and a revision to revolution. It is for this reason that they would never consider fighting to build a revolutionary leadership in the UAW and running a candidate against Fraser. IF THE UAW BUREAUCRACY IS STILL INTACT TODAY IT IS NOT BECAUSE THE WORKERS HAVE NOT

PLATFORM
<b>I. Unite against Carter's attack and transform the unions into organs of the oppressed masses! Build One Central Union! Unity with the steelworkers, all workers of the AFL-CIO and IBT against the bureaucrats! Full rights for all young and laid-off workers! Organize the unorganized!</b>
<b>II. Throwout Meany, Woodcock, Fraser, and their contracts! Elect a revolutionary leadership to head the UAW! Reject the ENA and all binding arbitration! Stop all support to the Carter regime, to all Democrats and Republicans!</b>
<b>III. Fight for the immediate recall of all laid-off workers with no cuts in pay; for workers control of linespeed and job combinations!</b>
<b>IV. Organize assemblies in all plants and departments to elect factory committees to defend the workers interests and prepare a general strike to win these demands! Workers defense guards!</b>
<b>V. Build the Revolutionary Workers Faction! Full rights for all workers tendencies in the UAW! Bring the convention back to Detroit.</b>

BEEN READY FOR REVOLUTION, BUT BECAUSE THE STALINISTS, CENTRISTS, AND LEFT-LIBERAL BUREAUCRATS HAVE BETRAYED THE WORKERS.

The TO and the RWY have undertaken to unseat Fraser and to build a revolutionary leadership in the UAW. Our candidate for delegate from Ford Torrence, Fred Vitale, will run against Fraser for president of the UAW.

The RWY is building a large conference of Revolutionary Workers in Auto in Detroit on March 27th in order to bring together all the support we have won in the course of the auto strike and the delegate elections. This Conference must formally constitute the Revolutionary Workers Faction organized by the TO and RWY in the UAW. It must adopt its Platform, elect a steering committee to lead its work and map out a campaign for the UAW convention in May, including our campaign for President against Fraser. This Conference will be based on an actual mobilization that the RWY is leading for the workers to organize themselves independently against the attack being leveled on them by the Carter government in collusion with the trade union bureaucracy.

REVOLUTIONARY WORKERS TAKE THE LEADERSHIP!  
UAW IN THE HANDS OF THE WORKERS!  
BUILD THE CONFERENCE OF REVOLUTIONARY WORKERS IN AUTO ---  
MARCH 27 th!

## DECLARATION OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WORKERS LEAGUE OF POLAND

For several weeks the Stalinist bureaucracy of Gierek has spoken of a so-called "amnesty" for the participants in the June strikes. Already this fact demonstrates how large and decided is the resistance of the working class in the face of the wave of Stalinist repression. The attempt at the police pacification of the workers, has not, up to now obtained the results that were hoped for. Today, the weak Gierek regime seeks compromises.

But the promises of an "amnesty" in no case constitutes a "victory" nor even a "positive step" by the authorities. Although weak and profoundly shaken, the Gierek dictatorship is trying to dictate new conditions to the working class.

It is not for THE UNCONDITIONAL LIBERATION OF ALL THE IMPRISONED WORKERS, but an eventual liberation of certain prisoners, who are, those who "show that they have repented!"

It is not for THE UNCONDITIONAL ANNULMENT OF THE ARBITRARY POLITICAL TRIALS, but an "amnesty", all the while keeping the pronounced sentences and their juridical basis. In other words, strikes continue to be a crime, come under the classification of "vandalism" and fall under the attacks of the anti-working class Penal Code.

It is not for THE UNCONDITIONAL RETURN OF THE RIGHT TO WORK FOR ALL WORKERS ON DISCIPLINARY LAY-

OFF -- in their own factories and their same jobs! -- but a selective and individual return, to other factories and only concerning certain workers!

But the most important fact is that the hypocritical promises try to hide the real ones responsible for the anti-working class repression, of the assassination of demonstrators, of barbarian tortures used viciously against the workers. They are the same who in December 1970 organized the massacre of the workers on the Baltic ports, who are now responsible for the crimes committed in June and for the present persecutions.

Gierek's speech, published on February 3rd in the "Urus" Mechanical Establishment constitutes an open provocation. It is not the Stalinist power of Gierek which flouts the most elementary rights of the workers -- right CONTINUED ON BACK

**ALL OUT FOR THE** **REVOLUTIONARY YOUNG AUTOWORKERS' CONFERENCE**  
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