

While Carter looks the other way

Profit-mad steel barons wreck lives of thousands

Remember this?



In 1972, the city government of St. Louis dynamited this brand new section of the Pruett-Igoe low income public housing project. Why? Because the low rents that working class families could pay would not bring in a profit. Under the capitalist system profit is king and human need is dust. Now, when poor and oppressed people throughout the country are crying out for adequate housing, when thousands of cities are woefully in need of public transportation, the steel barons, motivated only by their own deminishing profits, have cut back production of this essential product.

By BILL DEL VECCHIO

NEW YORK, Sept. 27—All throughout the steel belt a disaster has struck, a disaster which is the equal of any flood, tornado or earthquake. Thousands are being left without a means of livelihood, schools may close, whole cities may become virtual ghost towns.

But unlike crises produced by nature, this disaster was produced by the decisions of the barons of the steel monopolies to lay off thousands of workers in places such as Lackawanna, N.Y. and Youngstown, Ohio.

Seeing that the deepening economic slump would sooner or later force them to cut back production to protect their profits, the steel bosses have evidently decided to make the cutbacks on their own terms.

The sudden and drastic layoffs by Bethlehem, U.S. Steel and Armco are a challenge to the growing militancy of the steel workers and pressure the Carter administration to back the steel interests' special demands at the expense of other industries.

For the workers, the layoffs will mean that those affected won't qualify for the new job security provisions of the union contract when it goes into effect Jan. 1.

For the companies, the layoffs mean reduced labor costs, cutting loose antiquated plants, and a tax writeoff to boot. (Bethlehem alone will save \$200 million on taxes this year from the closings, according to last Sunday's New York Times.)

Together with the announcement of the layoffs came the steel bosses' jingoist propaganda campaign which blames "unfair competition" from Japanese imports for the U.S. steel industry's problems.

When U.S. imperialism threatens an impoverished country with military invasions, financial ruin, and political havoc in order to economically strangle it, that's "fair competition." But when Japanese imperialists succeed in winning a small portion of the U.S. domestic steel market by selling superior steel at a lower price, and by using modern production techniques, the arch-reactionary U.S. steel barons cry "foul."

While the competition between the U.S. and Japanese steel trusts is real, it has nothing to do with causing the layoffs. Japanese imports to the U.S. will amount to about 8 million tons this year, while U.S. steel production has dropped by 33 million tons since 1973.

PRODUCTION DROP DUE TO RECESSION

The massive production drop was the result of the economic recession, not just here, but in Japan, West Germany, Britain, and France—in short, the whole capitalist world. Steel production in all the imperialist powers has fallen off, and the Japanese and West German steel industries are faced with the same kind of surpluses from weak market demand as the U.S. situation which prompted the layoffs.

The dwindling world market has sharpened the struggle between the imperialist rivals. Rather than modernize their plants and increase production to undercut and undersell the Japanese, the trustified, stagnated U.S. steel companies are arrogantly trying to push the Carter administration to politically block the imports through quotas or tariffs. If they can't get that, they'll settle for subsidies, tax breaks,

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A steel town doesn't have to die! Community control of the plant will keep it alive.

By VINCE COPELAND

If you live in Lackawanna, New York or Johnstown, Pennsylvania or Campbell, Struthers, or Youngstown, Ohio—you must be asking the question: "Why does this town have to die?"

The answer is that it doesn't!

Your community built the steel plants and repaired them and produced iron and steel in them for generations. The plants have paid for themselves ten and twenty times over as far as the owners are concerned. And now these banker-owners want to close them down because they're not turning out enough profit for them any more.

That's like shooting your mother because she can't work any longer. In fact, it's worse, because the owners are condemning thousands to a living death when they can work longer and the steel plants can still produce steel.

When a steel plant is closed in a steel town, first the workers lose their jobs, then the town loses tax money from the company as well as from the workers and closes down hospitals, cuts back on schools and other essential services. The old die younger and, if they can, the young leave town.

But why should a steel-owning bank hundreds of miles away have

the right to do this to your town—or any town?

As a matter of simple self-preservation, the community must take control of the plants. Community control means life; bank-control means death—for the town and everything in it.

If the owners close down a big plant, and stop paying taxes on it, they are really giving up the responsibility of ownership and in effect giving up the ownership itself. On the one hand, they are telling the town to drop dead; on the other hand, they are also throwing the steel plant back in the lap of the community that built it.

The logical thing for that community to do is to assume responsibility for the abandoned plant and declare it community property to be operated under community control. And that goes for abandoned parts of the plant, as well, in those cases where the owners only partially abandon it.

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

There is no law on earth, no provision of the U.S. Constitution that compels any community to commit suicide. And if the community does not operate the shut-

down plant, it will have to do exactly that.

In order not to commit suicide, in order to remain alive and well, these communities will have to make a Declaration of Independence from Bethlehem Steel, Youngstown Sheet and Tube, U.S. Steel, or any other steel corporation that tries to condemn their towns to death.

When in the course of human events a vast majority of people are condemned to death by a tiny minority of Wall Street-bankers, they, the majority, must take appropriate action in order to insure their lives, liberty and pursuit of

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THE STRUGGLE IN BRIEF

Striking teachers remain firm in face of arrests, jail in Franklin, Mass.

By LEE BRADFORD

BOSTON, Sept. 21—Eight teachers, all leaders of the Franklin Education Association (FEA), remain in jail today after being found in contempt of a court order to end their teachers' strike yesterday.

Last Friday, 112 of the striking teachers were arrested by police in Franklin, a small community near Boston. The arrested strikers were charged with trespassing for allegedly picketing on school property, although many teachers claim that they were arrested on city property.

The strike of 262 teachers began last Friday, Sept. 16, following a rejection by the teachers of a final offer by the Franklin School Committee. The schools had remained open with some substitutes and parents scabbing on the strike, but yesterday schools were closed for a "curriculum day." About two-thirds of the community's 5,000 students have stayed away from classes.

WAGES, SENIORITY, AND CLASS SIZE

Franklin teachers and the School Committee are far apart on issues including wages, seniority, and class size. Teachers want a maximum class size of 25 pupils and 30 minutes of preparation time for elementary school teachers. In addition, the FEA is demanding that all layoffs be effected on the basis of seniority.

The teachers are seeking a 6% wage increase in the first year of the contract. The Franklin School Committee, meanwhile, is standing fast on a 3.5% offer.

BROAD SUPPORT FOR TEACHERS

Last Sunday night, over 500 teachers from 46 locals throughout Massachusetts attended a rally at the Franklin Country Club to support the Franklin Education Association. The Massachusetts Teachers Association (MTA) has pledged its full support to the striking teachers. Patricia Dunn, president of the MTA said, "The

teachers of Franklin do not stand alone. They are an integral part of the teaching profession and have our full backing."

Franklin teachers remain firm in the face of strong pressure by the state for their surrender. Judge John Greaney has issued a preliminary injunction against the strike and commanded FEA leaders to order the membership back to work.

Besides the jailing of the eight teacher leaders, the court has also imposed a \$15,000-a-day fine on the union. Also, 50 more teachers are slated to appear in court today to face contempt charges and jail.

Latest developments indicate that the Franklin teachers have submitted a proposal to the School Committee for binding arbitration, on the condition that there be no reprisals for the strike action and that any wage settlement be retroactive to Sept. 1 of this year.

But the situation may be escalating to a showdown which pits the small teachers' union against a tremendous state and local governmental assault. Strong determination and an outpouring of labor support will be necessary to insure that the Franklin teachers will be able to hold their own.

WWP leader Vince Copeland to speak on USSR at Chicago meeting

By JEFF SOREL

CHICAGO, Sept. 23—Vince Copeland, a founding member of Workers World Party and a long-time labor activist, will address a public meeting here on Saturday, Oct. 8, concerning the class character of the Soviet Union.

His talk, entitled *The False Theory of Soviet Social Imperialism: Why Workers Should Support All the Socialist Countries*, will seek to combat those who claim to be Marxists but mistakenly equate U.S. imperialism and the Soviet Union, calling the USSR imperialist and expansionist.

At a time when the U.S. ruling class is promoting anti-Soviet

feeling from all quarters, the progressive people here must take up the defense of the Soviet Union and all the workers' states. The weaknesses and errors of the socialist countries can only be put into proper perspective when one recognizes the overall progressive character of these countries.

Copeland's talk will explain the roots of the false theory of two superpowers, which has led to so much confusion on the left, by tracing its background in Sino-Soviet relations.

The meeting will be held here at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Balbo and Michigan, on Saturday, October 8 at 7:30 p.m.



Workers of Detroit UAW Local 372 have rallied to support seven co-workers who face trial for participating in a strike. Here, an auto worker in Detroit.

UAW workers fired by Chrysler face jail for militant summer wildcat

By a Chrysler worker

DETROIT, Sept. 20—With 125 UAW members packing the courtroom and 30 more picketing outside, the workers of UAW Local 372 came to the defense of their seven fired co-workers who now have to face a trial here for participating in a week-long wildcat strike.

The seven have already lost their jobs, but Chrysler lost a week's production. The bosses want to see that their power extends way beyond the limits of the plant's property.

Federal Judge Feikens has refused the seven defendants a trial by jury because Chrysler is "only" demanding six months prison sentence as punishment!

The wildcatters are charged with criminal contempt for allegedly failing to obey a court order prohibiting picketing at the Trenton Engine Plant here.

The plant was shut down for the week of August 8 to 15 when angry workers stormed off their jobs to protest the disciplining of union officers and workers who were accused of leading an earlier wildcat on one of the summer's hottest days.

LOCAL RAISES DEFENSE FUND

There has been a defense fund of about \$2,000 raised for the seven members of Local 372. Thirty-one local officials donated a month's expense money each, accounting for \$1,700 of the \$2,000, according to the Detroit Free Press.

The workers and union officials originally disciplined for the heat walkout have been reinstated, but the seven on trial were fired a week after the week-long strike was over.

On the second day of the strike, Chrysler ordered the federal court to bar the strike and prohibit picketing. This order was dutifully carried out by a U.S. district judge.

The defense attorneys for the wildcatters state that the language in the court order did not apply to the seven.

DECLINE AND FALL

More brass during peace

Parade, June 19:

"Sam Nunn, the junior Senator from Jimmy Carter's home state of Georgia, ...[and] chairman of the Senate Armed Services Manpower and Personnel Subcommittee, says the Defense Department plans to have 1165 generals and admirals this year—one flag officer for every 1800 active duty members. During the Vietnam War we had one flag officer for every 2600 active duty members.

"I find it hard to believe," Nunn declares, 'that it takes more general officers to wage peace than war.'"

No racism in Georgia?

New York Times, Aug. 8:

"DAWSON, Ga.—Police Chief Bill Law testified today that he knew of no racial discrimination in Georgia and that a former police officer who testified as a defense witness about alleged police brutality against Blacks here had been dismissed only because of misconduct.

"At a pretrial hearing in the Dawson Five case, Chief Law testified that he had received few police brutality complaints in his three years as chief. . .

"Trying to support an argument of racist

attitudes in Dawson, Millard Farmer, the defense attorney, asked Chief Law, 'As far as you know, you don't know of any discrimination against black people in your life in this state?'

"No, sir," Chief Law replied."

Crime rate up in Newark

New York Times, Aug. 7:

"Newark—Six Newark police officers who were acquitted last week on charges of taking payoffs to shield heroin operations in the city will return to active duty Monday, said the Newark Police Director, Hubert Williams.

He added that the six men still faced departmental hearings on charges of misconduct in office."

A total of nine officers had been charged with conspiring to accept bribes to protect the drug operation. In the U.S. "criminal" is only a relative term: relative to what class you belong to or whose interests you are protecting.

Oldest U.S. citizen

New York Times, June 20:

"Bartow, Fla. (AP)—Chester Smith, 70, would have liked to buy his 134-year-old father a shirt or some socks for Fathers Day, but he says he cannot afford such luxuries on Social Security.

"He had planned to walk the mile from his home for his regular Sunday visit to the Bartow Convalescent Center, where his father, Charlie Smith, lives, but the weather interfered. Certified by the Social Security Administration as the country's oldest citizen, Charlie Smith, a former slave, will celebrate his 135th birthday on July 4. He does not know his birth date. He is reported in good health, smokes five cigarettes a day and talks for hours."

U.S. politicians 'entertained'

Daily News, Aug. 4:

"President Park Chung Hee of South Korea personally picked out prostitutes who entertained numerous U.S. congressmen visiting the Asian nation in the last seven years, The News learned yesterday from a highly reliable source.

"... The source said that one influential legislator who made frequent trips to South Korea was so insistent on being provided prostitutes that Tongsun Park [Washington-based south Korean millionaire] put one young woman on a permanent monthly retainer so that she would be available for service when the congressman arrived in Seoul.

"... The apparent purpose of the operation was to provide yet another incentive for House members to vote for continuing a high level of economic and military aid to South Korea and against any U.S. troop withdrawal."

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Socialist Republic delegates demand U.S. pay war reparations

2,000 at NYC meeting hail Vietnam's admission to UN

By NAOMI COHEN

NEW YORK, Sept. 25—The Beacon Theater resounded with shouts of joy and thunderous applause here today as over 2,000 antiwar activists celebrated the long-overdue admission of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to the United Nations.

The event took on the atmosphere of a victory celebration as the Permanent Mission of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam marched down the aisles amid a standing ovation. Representatives of 46 different countries were also present to show solidarity. (Earlier in the week, on Sept. 21, at 10:10 a.m., the flag of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam was raised at the UN.)

Today's celebration was organized by Friendship, a national coalition of over 40 political and religious organizations dedicated to providing people-to-people aid to Vietnam as well as to building a campaign to pressure the U.S. government to grant the reconstruction aid it promised Vietnam in the Paris Peace Accords of 1973. The event also came as the culmination of a two-day conference called by Friendship to launch a new campaign to build nationwide support for U.S. aid to Vietnam.

(In its two years of activity, Friendship has raised over \$5 million in aid and is presently building a district hospital at the site of the My Lai massacre, where U.S. troops slaughtered over 500 people, including children.)

Long-time antiwar activist Dave Dellinger opened the event and was followed by Cora Weiss, representing Friendship, who announced the organization's determination to launch a campaign to force the government to take responsibility for the war and contribute to the reconstruction of Vietnam. She then introduced four representatives of the Vietnamese delegation—Ambassador Nguyen Van Luu, Ambassador Dinh Ba Thi, Mme. Nguyen Ngoc Dung, and Deputy Foreign Minister for Press and Information, Ngo Dien.

Ngo Dien, in a statement from the delegation, called the U.S. imperialist war against Vietnam "the



Members of the Vietnamese delegation receiving a thunderous ovation at their reception in New York. [From left to right, Ambassador Nguyen Van Luu, Ambassador Dinh Ba Thi, Mme. Nguyen Ngoc Dung and Deputy Foreign Minister for Press and Information, Ngo Dien.] WW photo: Gregory Dunkel

bloodiest neo-colonialist war in history. Yet," he said, "there is no enmity between the Vietnamese and American people. Rather, there is deep solidarity."

Dien strongly attacked the Carter administration's statement at the UN that the United States "looks to the future" in its relations with

Vietnam. Warning the American people to beware of such statements, Dien listed some of the devastating effects of the war on his country and asked, "How can we accept that those responsible for pouring 50 million tons of bombs in Vietnam now wash their hands and contribute nothing to the healing of the

wounds of war?"

In ending, Dien recalled that President Ho Chi Minh had wanted very much to travel after the war to personally thank all those who had supported the Vietnamese people, but that their delegation would have to do this in his place.

The presentation by the Viet-

namese was followed by a cultural program including songs sung by members of the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in the United States, Roy Brown, who brought greetings from the Puerto Rican independence movement, Pete Seeger, and the Ken McIntyre Quintet.

Vietnam Deputy Prime Minister addresses UN

'A victory of the world's peoples against imperialism'

By JAQUI O'SHAUGHNESSY

NEW YORK, Sept. 26—On Sept. 20, 1977, the Socialist Republic of Vietnam was seated at the United Nations. Deputy Prime Minister Nguyen Duy Trinh in his remarks to the UN General Assembly reaffirmed that Vietnam's victory

against U.S. imperialism stands as "a victory of the common struggle of the world's people against imperialism, for independence and freedom."

Pointing out the world trend toward socialism "that began with the great October Revolution" Mr.

Trinh stated that the overall picture of the world has undergone deep changes, and cited the increasing number of liberation struggles gaining victories against imperialism the world over, strengthening the socialist countries.

He also explained that because of the growth of world revolutionary developments, the forces of reaction are driven to ever more desperate attempts to subvert and crush the struggles for national liberation and socialism.

REAFFIRMS SUPPORT FOR WORLD'S OPPRESSED

Trinh went on to reaffirm Vietnam's revolutionary support for the just struggle of the Arab people and particularly of the Palestinian people to regain their homeland. He expressed support for the fight of the Zimbabwean, Namibian, and South African peoples to "do away with the barbarous colonialist and racist regimes." Mr. Trinh focused his remarks against U.S. imperialist aggression. He said, "We unreservedly support the liberation of Taiwan by the People's Republic of China." In addition, he called for independence for Puerto Rico, East Timor, and the West Sahara and demanded that the U.S. get out of south Korea, Guantanamo, and Diego Garcia. Trinh also expressed Vietnam's condemnation of fascist repression in Chile.

Seldom has the UN been used so successfully as a forum to expose and denounce the role of U.S. imperialism in its efforts to undermine the world proletarian struggle for socialism. Vietnam knows, as do the world's toiling and oppressed masses, who are embroiled in the fight against imperialist domination, that the heroic victory in Vietnam was a tremendous step forward for the world socialist revolution.



Vietnamese delegates exchange joyous greetings with their American friends and supporters at a reception marking the entry of the unified Republic of Vietnam into the United Nations. WW photo: Gregory Dunkel

Project MK Ultra

Unsuspecting victims slipped drugs by CIA

By HILLEL BAILIN
NEW YORK, Sept. 22—A Central Intelligence Agency "dirty tricks" specialist has given more evidence of widespread use of illegal drugs by the CIA. Appearing before the Senate Subcommittee on Health and Scientific Research yesterday, Dr. Sidney Gottlieb confirmed reports that the CIA secretly tested

LSD and other illegal drugs on unsuspecting victims.

Dr. Gottlieb worked for the CIA for 22 years, and retired in 1973. For many years Gottlieb headed the spy agency's technical services division known as the "gadget shop." The shop prepared "gadgets" like poison darts, exploding tie-clips and other devices to assassinate

progressive leaders and to break up anti-imperialist meetings around the world.

This eminent scientist of the "Free World" (which is what the CIA calls the capitalist countries), also coordinated the secret drug program known by the code name MK Ultra.

In some of the so-called ex-

periments in this program, CIA agents would hang out in bars and invite people they met there to a private party. At the party they would slip LSD or some other drug in the drinks or spray it in the air. Some of the methods resembled the tricks that youngsters play at Halloween parties. However, the more deadly effects were covered up when Gottlieb destroyed all records he could find when he retired. At least one death as a result of the program has been documented.

OTHER OFFICIALS ALSO GUILTY

There may be some attempts to put all the blame on Gottlieb alone. Other CIA agents, however, have leaked to the press that Gottlieb needed the approval of the top CIA directors, including Allen Dulles, John McCone and Richard Helms. Previous exposures have revealed

that every president since Dwight Eisenhower had been briefed about the details of CIA dirty tricks. David Rhodes, another CIA technical services agent, testified that the Federal Bureau of Narcotics worked with the CIA in project MK Ultra.

The Federal Bureau of Narcotics is now known as the Drug Enforcement Administration, and is supposed to be responsible for enforcing the drug laws. But in project MK Ultra and who knows how many other undisclosed projects, this agency paid for and organized the distribution of illegal drugs.

EQUAL TREATMENT UNDER LAW?

So far, Dr. Gottlieb has been given immunity from prosecution for his illegal activities. And there have been no serious attempts to

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Pentagon's new 'Satellite Killer' a war threat to Soviet Union

By ROBERT DOBROW
NEW YORK, Sept. 28—The latest Pentagon horror weapon sounds like something out of "Star Wars." The new "satellite killer" is being designed with the aim of fighting a war in space and destroying "enemy" satellites.

The device is a heat-sensitive vehicle that could ram a satellite and destroy it as both vehicles fly thousands of miles per hour. Without any consultation with Congress, let alone with the American people, the Air Force has quietly awarded the Vought Corp. of Dallas a \$58.7 million contract to build the device.

A primitive version of the weapon has already been constructed. According to the Sept. 25 International Herald Tribune, Vought is expected to have a "battle version" ready to test in space in about two years.

Satellites, in general, are important for communications and are used to navigate ships, submarines, and planes. In addition, according to the Tribune, "the U.S. spies from space on the USSR and other nations with picture-taking satellites."

This latest brainchild of the Pentagon Dr. Strangeloves is only the most recent in a long line of bizarre and highly sophisticated

armaments, the most infamous of which is the neutron bomb—capable of destroying life while keeping property intact.

The appearance in the press of news about the "satellite killer" coincides with the virtual end of the



Leaving the White House.

Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty (SALT) between the U.S. and the USSR. On Oct. 3, the five-year treaty limiting some strategic nuclear arms will expire.

Carter has publicly stated that he

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Ruling class dynasties force Lance out

By SHARON SHELTON
NEW YORK, Sept. 27—Now that Bert Lance has been forced to step down as Carter's Budget Director, the question remains: What is behind the Lance affair?

Lance's resignation was announced last Wednesday at a press conference by an obviously shaken President Carter who called his long-term associate "irreplaceable." The announcement came after four months of exposures of illegal activities on Lance's part in the pages of the capitalist press.

CORRUPTION BEHIND LANCE AFFAIR?

Certainly corruption is not the real issue in the Lance resignation, although Lance is indeed corrupt. The Georgia banker wrote overdrafts in the hundreds of thousands of dollars, sought personal loans from banks where his bank placed sizeable interest-free accounts, used the same collateral for two loans, used depositors' assets as collateral for personal loans, used the National Bank of Georgia's airplane for private trips, and was even implicated for allegedly taking part in embezzling funds from the Calhoun First National Bank.

Had Lance been a poor person, one overdraft alone could have meant a jail term. But for bankers, crimes such as Lance's are all in a day's work. Since corruption is built into the very nature of the capitalist system, which is based on robbery and exploitation, opposition to corrupt business practices can't really explain the pressure that mounted against Lance.

Although Lance tried hard to ingratiate himself with the major ruling class powers, Carter's former Budget Director was distrusted and disliked by them. No less than David Rockefeller, chief executive of the Chase Manhattan Bank, in a speech in San Francisco had called for Lance's resignation. And representatives of the powerful duPont family also had publicly demanded Lance give up his position.

These ruling families should have been pleased with Lance's efforts on their behalf. As Budget Director, Lance was a right-winger through and through, being personally responsible for the decision not to give hard-hit poor and working people the \$50 tax rebate that

Carter had promised during the election. Under the codeword of "balancing" the budget, Lance pursued reactionary, anti-labor policies, using the Office of Budget Manager to even hold back congressionally appropriated funds.

RULING DYNASTIES WANTED LANCE OUT

Despite these efforts to carry out the affairs of the ruling class in its best interests, the most powerful of the rulers still wanted Lance out. The reasons for their distrust of the Georgian did not lie in Lance's actions on the job. What was at the heart of their feelings toward Lance was that he wasn't one of them, he wasn't someone from the center of imperialist finance, but from its edges. The billionaire dynasties wanted one of their own men in as Budget Director. Lance's shaky financial situation showed he wasn't one of them!

Why is the job of manager of the budget so important anyway? What power actually lies in a position which should concern only the simple administering of the budget after Congress makes the decisions?

What the budget manager does is so hidden from public view that CBS's Washington correspondent Fred Graham has said even he doesn't know what the job is. It's a job without a job classification.

In reality, the position of Budget Director is a powerful one, controlling the expenditure of hundreds of billions of dollars. The job's very lack of definition leaves a lot of room to maneuver—and in the case of Lance, he was too close to Carter himself and too far from the top capitalist inner circles to be trusted in a position with so much leeway.

This is underscored by the fact that among the many other leading ruling class figures being mentioned as Lance's successor is duPont's chief executive, Irving Shapiro.

A NORTH-SOUTH CONFLICT?

Although the struggle over Lance has had some elements of a conflict among capitalists centered in different geographical regions with some Southern Congressmen denouncing the ouster as the result of "vigilante justice," others including Sen. Robert Byrd of West Virginia were in the forefront demanding Lance quit. Many, like Sen. Lawton Chiles of Florida, who

defended Lance, didn't put up a protest when the Georgian was forced out.

Even members of Carter's own Cabinet did not come forward for Lance. It's no accident, since 16 top Carter aides, including Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski, Vice President Walter Mondale, Secretary of Treasury W. Michael Blumenthal, and Secretary of Defense Harold Brown are all members of the Trilateral Commission, a policy-planning group established by the Rockefeller family and headed by David Rockefeller.

PART OF A DEEPER STRUGGLE?

Though Lance resigned, the investigations of his activities are not over. According to the Sept. 23 New York Daily News, the chief of the criminal section of the Justice Department's tax division said the day after the resignation that Lance may have to appear before a grand jury concerning his business transactions. Also, both the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Federal Election Commission are continuing investigations of Lance's personal use of corporate aircraft.

Whether this is part of a deeper struggle remains to be seen. Perhaps providing a clue is an editorial which appeared today in the Wall Street Journal, the leading organ of imperialist finance. Warning that other crises are likely to face the Carter administration before the next elections, the Journal editorial complained that "strong people with their own constituencies were excluded from the Cabinet" and said Carter should be reflecting about "the kind of men" he would want "if other important Cabinet posts become vacant in the future."

Regardless of whether the struggle over Lance broadens, the real issue behind the Lance affair is the insoluble economic crisis which is currently shaking the capitalist system. This crisis has accentuated the cutthroat competition for markets, which is having its effects in further embittering the political struggle among the capitalists over who will exercise the dominant role in deciding domestic and foreign policy. That is what the Lance affair, like the Watergate struggle which preceded it, is all about.

Ex-CIA agent confirms rightist plot in JFK murder

By P. MEISNER
NEW YORK, Sept. 26—A former CIA agent has testified before the chief lawyer of the House Committee on Assassinations that she accompanied an assassination squad to Dallas just days before John Kennedy was murdered on Nov. 22, 1963.

Maritza Lorenz said that the squad included CIA contract agent Frank Sturgis, Cuban counter-revolutionary leaders Orlando Bosch and Pedro Diaz Lanz, and Lee Harvey Oswald. Bosch is now in prison in Venezuela facing murder charges, in connection with the bombing of a Cuban jetliner that killed 73 persons last year.

The assassination squad was code named "Operation 40," a paramilitary CIA unit set up for the Bay of Pigs invasion of 1961. Lorenz also stated that the squad consisted of 30 anti-Castro Cubans and U.S. advisers who conspired to assassinate both President Kennedy and Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro.

Lorenz attended a meeting at the Miami home of Orlando Bosch just a few days prior to the assassination. Sturgis, Oswald, Bosch, and Diaz Lanz were all at that meeting studying street maps of Dallas. After the meeting, they all left for Dallas in two cars containing several rifles and scopes.

Lorenz was sent back to Miami, and two days later, Kennedy was assassinated. The ex-CIA agent, however, was apparently part of one of the earlier plots to assassinate Fidel Castro.

EVIDENCE ALREADY AMASSED

The House Committee claims it will investigate Lorenz' testimony, but the U.S. capitalist rulers have seen to it that the whole truth behind the JFK assassination conspiracy not be revealed. Lorenz' statements once more confirm the overwhelming evidence already amassed which shows beyond a shadow of a doubt that the conspiracy was an ultra-rightist plot which failed to materialize as a fascist putsch.

The full disclosure of the conspiracy, however, would show that in 1963 the U.S. imperialist ruling class was torn into warring factions over how to stem the tide of revolution sweeping the entire globe, from Cuba to Southeast Asia, as well as the Black liberation movement at home. But the unmasking of that infamous assassination plot is in the interest of the workers and the oppressed in the U.S.—to expose the congenital violence inherent in the entire capitalist system and why it must be abolished.

At NYC demonstration

Pickets demand freedom for Camp Pendleton 14

By RAY RAMOS

NEW YORK, Sept. 24—Chanting "Stop the racist frameups, Free the Black Marines!" more than 200 people demonstrated here today in the pouring rain in front of the U.S. Marine Recruiting Office. The demonstration is part of a national drive to support the Pendleton 14.

The Pendleton 14 are 14 Black Marines who are now facing court-martial at Camp Pendleton, Calif. They are on trial for defending themselves against the Ku Klux Klan.

On Nov. 13, 1976, there was a Ku Klux Klan meeting at Camp Pendleton. The 14 Black Marines, outraged at the Klan's open organizing efforts on base, decided to stop this racist organization themselves. They entered a room with a Klan recruiting sticker on the door and from which they overheard racist remarks. A fight broke out and six Marines were injured. As it turned out, the Klan recruiting meeting was being held in the next room. However, at least one person in the room the Black Marines did enter was active in the Klan, and others had expressed support for Klan activities.

Now the Black Marines face charges of conspiracy, assault, and attempted murder, carrying a total of 72 years in prison. None of the Klan were arrested or charged with anything; instead they were transferred to other military bases to spread their filth against people of color and other minorities.

SPIRITED RALLY

After today's demonstration, a rally took place, chaired by Claudette Furlonge, a leading member of Youth Against War & Fascism (YAWF).

Isabelle Clarke, a Black sister and a member of YAWF, explained how segregation exists inside Camp Pendleton and inside the barracks. She said the whole base is segregated as soon as you walk in. She described other KKK attacks outside the military, like the Ku Klux Klan attempts to organize in Rockaway, Queens here in New York, in Chicago, in Ohio, and in Tallahassee.

Every time that the Klan has surfaced, she said, it has been beaten back by the people. She ended by saying, "No mercy, no leeway can be given in the political and physical fight against the Klan."

Another brother by the name of Akil Al-Jundi, one that survived the Attica massacre in September of 1971, and a member of the Committee to Free Dacajewiah, explained that the attack against the Black Marines was not an isolated incident. He compared it to the attack on the Attica Brothers in 1971. He said, "This same racism was responsible for the death of Steven Biko in South Africa."

Apartheid and U.S. institutionalized racism are the same thing. "Let us create a tangible and feasible mechanism in our time to end institutionalized racism," he said.

M'zulu, another Black Brother from Inside-Outside Prison Coalition in New Paltz, N.Y. and a plaintiff in a prisoners' suit against the KKK in that prison said the Ku Klux Klan is deeply entrenched in the prisons. The KKK that the prison guards belong to is an extension of the racist elements in the rest of society, like ROAR and the John Birch society, he ended.

In 1974, the KKK attacked prisoners at 'Napánoch. The brothers who struggled against this had their cells firebombed. M'zulu (Continued on p. 14)



New York demonstration in support of the Camp Pendleton 14. At right, Isabelle Clarke of Youth Against War & Fascism, addresses the protesters.

At right, Isabelle Clarke of Youth Against War & Fascism, addresses the protesters. WW photo: Dick Wheaton

Senate votes to ban military unions

Andy Stapp was the founder and Chairman of the ASU. He was court-martialed three times for anti-war activity in 1967-68. Stapp is the author of Up Against the Brass (Simon & Schuster, 1970).

By ANDY STAPP

NEW YORK, Sept. 27—By a vote of 72 to 3, the Senate passed a bill last week prohibiting anyone serving in the United States military from joining a labor union.

According to an Associated Press dispatch (Sept. 16) the new law "would impose criminal penalties, a maximum of five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine on any member of the armed forces or reserves, including the National Guard, who joined a union seeking to negotiate with the Government on terms and conditions of military status."

Sponsored by Senators John Stennis and Strom Thurmond, the legislation is ostensibly aimed at the American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE), a conservative union which had earlier indicated some interest in opening its ranks to members of the military.

However, since AFGE "recently voted four to one against an effort to organize the military" (New York Times, Sept. 17) the Stennis-Thurmond bill is clearly not aimed at them. Admitting as much, Stennis stated that the anti-union law was necessary anyway as a "preventative" measure.

What then did the Senators have in mind when they passed this legislation?

20,000 JOINED ASU

There has only been one union organizing drive in the history of the

U.S. Armed Forces and that was carried out by the American Servicemen's Union (ASU) during the 1968-72 era when the GIs were engaged in growing mass resistance to the war in Southeast Asia.

Almost 20,000 active duty men and women in the Army, Navy, Marines, and Air Force joined the ASU during this period. They demanded—among other things—the right to elect their own officers, to refuse duty in Vietnam, an end to saluting, self-determination for Black, Latin and other super-oppressed segments of the military, the right to collective bargaining, rank-and-file control of court-martial boards, a prohibition of the use of troops against anti-war demonstrators and strikers, and a halt to the systematic attempt of officers and non-commissioned officers to create prejudice against women.

At its height in 1970, the ASU had chapters on more than 100 bases in the U.S. and on approximately 60 warships at sea. ASU branches, with anywhere from 15 to 300 members, carried out struggles at Pentagon bases in Thailand, the Philippines, Japan, south Korea, Midway, Hawaii, Panama, Iceland, Cuba (Guantanamo), Puerto Rico, Spain, West Germany, Malta, and Libya.

At forts and camps in the U.S., the ASU organized mess hall boycotts, strikes against the war, and petition drives. ASU cadre refused orders to Viet Nam and led stockade and brig rebellions.

ACTIVITY MOST INTENSE IN VIET NAM

But it was in Viet Nam, naturally,

that ASU activity was raised to its most intense pitch. There, the forms of resistance ranged from sitdown strikes, to armed struggle against fascist officers, to fraternization with the soldiers of the National Liberation Front. On one occasion, 60 members of an ASU unit in the 173rd Airborne Brigade forced the resignation of their commanding officer!

On July 24, 1971, General Creighton Abrams issued an order from his Saigon headquarters to all field commanders instructing them to crush "the ASU chapters within this command."

The ASU "goal" stated Abrams, was "to unionize the Army and inform soldiers of the inequities of military life." "The real purpose," he asserted, "is to foster unrest, encourage active or passive dissent, polarize and create distrust between the careerist and the young enlisted man."

Thus incited by the top command, the army brass in Vietnam brutally attacked union members and organizers, charging them with mutiny, dereliction in the performance of duty, murder, disrespect toward officers, insubordinate conduct, conduct prejudicial to good order and discipline and so forth.

They filled the Long Binh Stockade and the Danang Brig with union members, but the brass could not break the ASU which continued to grow, fed by the enlisted ranks' hatred of the war and the racist officers.

Under the hammer blows of the Vietnamese freedom fighters, and wracked with rebellion from within, the U.S. military command faced the choice of withdrawing from

Vietnam or seeing its army, particularly the combat line units, disintegrate.

By the time the Vietnamese liberated Saigon in May, 1975, the Pentagon had cut the size of the army by one million, while the ASU had for several years previously shifted its focus to campaigning for the rights of jobless veterans.

BRASS HAUNTED BY GI UNION

The Pentagon bosses remain haunted, however, by what the ASU did during the Viet Nam war years, when so many soldiers refused to fight and die like dutiful robots and instead turned on their vicious officers. It dries the throat of the brass to think that this could well happen again in a future war, and next time on an even larger scale.

That is why the Senate has passed this fascist-like bill forbidding anyone in the armed services from joining a union.

Urging passage of the measure, Senator Stennis stated, "The military is built on discipline and immediate response to orders, and any development which would damage the chain of command weakens that discipline and response."

Stennis and the other Senators are deluding themselves if they think that repressive legislation alone can stop GIs from fighting for their rights. The courageous struggle of the Camp Pendleton 14 proves that. In the final analysis, of course, it is the class struggle that will determine the course of events, both inside the army and outside as well.

600 trade union women meet in Washington

By a delegate to the CLUW convention

WASHINGTON, D.C., Sept. 18—On September 14 to 18, 600 women trade unionists attended a legislative conference and national convention called by the Coalition of Labor Union Women (CLUW) in Washington, D.C.

They represented 28 unions, including the United Steelworkers, United Auto Workers, Communications Workers of America, ILGWU, Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers, and AFSCME, among others. One-third of the participants were Black.

The five-day conference was split between a legislative conference and the national convention. This third CLUW convention was, unlike the previous ones, a delegated conference, with women elected by their unions and by local CLUW chapters. Only half the women attending were official delegates. A number of women were rank-and-file workers or elected officials, but a great many were on the staff of their unions.

Women now make up 40% of the work force, but their economic position is losing ground. They make only 57% of an average man's income, and minority women are even further behind. While 47% of working women are mothers, there are only one million child-care slots for six million children.

Discrimination in the work force is rampant, and affirmative action is under attack. In the current economic crises, women workers, especially Black, Latin and young women have been, among the hardest hit.

Many of the trade union women found the legislative conference

more relevant because it gave a forum to discuss issues of import to working women.

Issues like pregnancy disability, equal pay, the Equal Rights Amendment, abortion rights, minimum wage, and child care were raised. Many of these issues are too often rejected at the bargaining table and in Congress.

The legislative conference was organized by union staff women who spend their time lobbying. They tried to gear women in a totally legislative direction.

One day was spent with hundreds of participants going to Capitol Hill to talk to their Senators and Congressmen (who are never there). While they had a spirit not often seen on the "Hill," their impassioned pleas fell on deaf ears.

That afternoon, a compromise minimum wage bill, backed by the AFL-CIO (that would have possibly given a small raise next year) was defeated in Congress, as has most other major legislation put forth by the labor movement. For millions of workers, especially Black, Latin and young women, it meant continued crushing poverty.

When the CLUW legislative conference reconvened, a Black woman from Alabama appealed for more direct action and for mobilizing union members in fighting for pro-labor laws and against anti-worker legislation, like the right-to-work laws. In sharp contrast to conference organizers, several women spoke of fighting the companies in the plants and at the bargaining table for gains.

The CLUW national convention opened Saturday morning with a standing ovation to a Black woman trade unionist from South Africa.



Union women speak at an open microphone during the legislative conference at the CLUW convention.

While the convention offered little forum for discussion, a great deal of feeling was generated on several issues. Resolutions were passed unanimously for the ERA, and federally-funded child-care. A resolution calling for the right of all women to safe abortions, restoring medicaid funds and an end to sterilization abuse, was passed nearly unanimously with no vocal opposition.

The most heated controversy arose on the issue of having an open or delegated convention in the future. Many delegates, including the whole New York City CLUW chapter and others had decided to push for an open convention, while more conservative elements were against this and even threatened that unions would pull out of CLUW if the convention was open.

By accusing unnamed people of having hidden agendas and wanting to disrupt, the conservatives' attack was clearly aimed at more militant women and the

rank-and-file who had called for more action and discussion on issues important to working women. The conservative forces even called the founding convention in Chicago, 1973, a mistake because of the overwhelming participation there.

This shocked many participants who remember Chicago as an outpouring of 3,000 rank-and-file, Black and white trade union women, who came by hook or by crook, to struggle for their needs. As one woman from the Newspaper Guild expressed, it was at that convention that she spoke for the first time at any union meeting.

Bigots oppose gay resort, claim 'land values' will suffer

NEW YORK, Sept. 26—Carrying sign which read, "Gays Go Home," "God Destroyed Sodom because the people were gay," and threatening to seek aid from Anita Bryant, on Thurs., Sept. 22, bigots of Millburn, NY and nearby towns challenged the right of gay people to gather where they wish.

The target of their protest was the Motel-on-the-Mountain, a former family resort which last week reopened as a gay resort.

The gay people at the resort expressed pleasure at having such a place. As one gay man said, "Otherwise, there's no place to go."

The local reactionaries, undaunted by a counter-demonstration by the Gay Activists Alliance which defended the right of lesbians and gay men to go where they

Unions with tens of thousands of members must hold delegated conventions, but CLUW is young and small, and needs growth. For those who wanted an open convention, it was a way to build CLUW, encourage participation, and make it an active organization.

By a close vote the delegated convention won, and it will be held every two years. A resolution supporting affirmative action with an amendment against all attempts to curtail it, was also passed. Several delegates raised opposition to the Bakke decision (see related articles on page 7). While no formal resolution was allowed on the floor, there was an obvious strong feeling among many of the delegates to call for an overturn of the Bakke decision.

Many left the convention frustrated that no action was proposed on issues like organizing the unorganized, and unemployment, or even the ERA. Yet many women brought back the knowledge to their shops that around the country—in every industry, and in every union—women trade unionists are waging struggles on the job, the picket line and the streets and local CLUW chapters. Hundreds of trade union women returned home eager to do more.

'Anita and Klan work hand in hand'

By CONNIE HARRIS

NEW YORK, Sept. 26—KKK bookstores in Pasadena, Calif., and Houston, Texas, have tape-recorded telephone messages which urge the execution of all gay people.

The vile message states, in part, "The Ku Klux Klan is not embarrassed to admit that we endorse and seek the execution of all homosexuals."

"While many church people are duped by their brain-washed pink panty preachers into believing that we must pray for the homosexuals, we find that we must endorse and support the law of God, which calls for the death penalty for homosexuals."

"... It is not our intention to put this matter up to discussion or debate the matter, or start a dialogue with a committee of q---s as to their rights to sexual freedom. The law of God states the death penalty for homosexuals, and when God's laws are again enforced, the death penalty is what it will be."

KLAN SUPPORTS ANTI-GAY FORCES

The Ku Klux Klan, long a vicious enemy of Black people, recently adopted an active role of support for the right-wing anti-gay campaign in Dade County, Fla., led by Anita Bryant and "Save Our Children."

This past July 20, Anita Bryant spoke at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia, where she was greeted by gay protesters who threw cherry bombs at her. After this incident, ten hooded Klansmen appeared to "protect" Bryant. They have offered to protect her on other occasions.

It is not surprising that the Klan has taken this position. Rabidly reactionary groups such as the Klan and the Nazis are characterized by hatred of all oppressed people. Such organizations are used by the ruling class to stir up prejudice and to trigger attacks against the oppressed, with the goal of not only defeating the just struggles of oppressed people but of dividing the working class through hatred, fear, and prejudice.

The Klan has never been pro-gay, but before the gay liberation movement, when gay people were individually at the mercy of reactionaries and were not seen as a unified progressive force, they presented less of a political target for the KKK and other bigots. It is the increasing militance and pride of lesbians and gay men which has aroused the ire of fascists everywhere; and as the current right-wing upsurge receives both subtle and open encouragement from the ruling class, reactionary forces have been emboldened to intensify their vicious attacks against oppressed people generally.

The Klan itself has recently been organizing in Far Rockaway, NY, Chicago, Ill., Columbus, Oh., Tallahassee, Fla., in prisons, and on military bases. The support that the ruling class gives these racists is illustrated by the case of the Camp Pendleton 14, 14 Black Marines who broke up a meeting on base held in a room with a Klan recruiting sticker on the door and from which the Black marines heard racist epithets spoken. Now the Black Marines face charges for that act which was a defense of all Black people against racist attacks. The Klansmen in-

volved in the incident went free.

"Anita and the Klan work hand in hand" was a popular chant at gay demonstrations across the country this year. As this reactionary scum increases its attacks against Black people and openly calls for the execution of gay people, it is clear that Black, gay, and other working and oppressed people must work together to smash the Klan.

Images of women at work

By PADDY COLLIGAN

NEW YORK, Sept. 23—Two hundred years of working women's history is the subject of an exhibition at the headquarters of the New York local of 1199 (Union of Hospital and Health Care Employees), 310 West 43rd St., New York City.

With photographs covering the period back to 1870, and woodcuts and lithographs for glimpses of earlier life, it is really overwhelming to see the breadth of work, and the amount of it, that working women have routinely done. The double day of wage workers (up to 14, even 18 hours, especially in the 19th century) and domestic workers recurs throughout the exhibit.

Accompanying the many excellent pictures, however, is a disappointing narrative which does not take a working-class point of view. The stress is on individual women's strength in bearing up under the double burden of work and home.

Little attention is given to

working women's role in their own organizations and as part of the great working class movements to get the eight-hour day, to abolish child labor, to get higher wages and better working and living conditions for all. And in general, women are described as objects of the events of history, not as part of the forces determining those events through their struggle.

SCHOMBURG PHOTOS

The role of Black, Asian, and Latin women in New York's historically multinational workforce is not adequately covered. However, some excellent and rarely-seen photos from the Schomburg Collection should be noted. There is also a moving photo from the hard-fought 1959 New York City hospital strike led by Local 1199.

Perhaps the most astonishing theme erroneously developed in the exhibit, however, is that it was the Industrial Revolution which divided women along class lines. Before this time, it implies, all women had the same interests and destiny. They all

worked in the home (even though poorer women sold goods produced at home).

After the Industrial Revolution, according to the organizers of this exhibit, poor women worked outside the home and bourgeois and petit-bourgeois women remained at home (though some of them, a small fraction, had professional jobs), part of a household which was responsible for less and less of the goods it consumed. By this false logic, under chattel slavery before the Industrial Revolution, the interests of the women slaves must be the same as their mistress who owned and exploited them!

Despite being selected and arranged with such erroneous themes in mind, it is the images which save the exhibit. The spirit and beauty of the working women of New York City over the last two centuries comes across. Just grit your teeth as you pass the 8th Avenue porno peddlers in the area because, despite its serious flaws, it is worthwhile going to see the pictures.



Alice Jennings, Midwest Regional Coordinator of the National Day of Protest Against Bakke, speaking on July 23rd at a Night of Solidarity with Black America Rally in Detroit about the Bakke case. WW photo

WW interview

Michigan anti-Bakke coalition forms

The following Workers World interview is with Alice Jennings, the midwest regional coordinator from the Black American Law Students Association of the National Day of Protest Against Bakke, a coordinator of the Michigan Coalition to Overturn the Bakke Decision, and the former community coordinator for the Black Legal Alliance of Wayne State University. Jennings has been a major force in drawing together the broad-based coalition which is building for the Oct. 3 demonstration in Detroit, one of the many demonstrations which will take place against the Bakke Decision across the country when the Supreme Court opens for the fall.

WW: What is the Bakke case?

AJ: The Bakke Case is probably the most important civil rights decision since the Supreme Court declared "separate but equal" unconstitutional in 1954.

Bakke was a white, 34-year-old engineer who applied to over a dozen medical schools and was not accepted at any one of them. An assistant dean at the University of California at Davis told Bakke that

he would have been accepted if it weren't for the fact that 16 out of 100 seats were reserved each year for minority and disadvantaged students. Bakke decided to sue the U of C for "reverse discrimination" and the California Supreme Court upheld his claim.

Q: What is the effect of this decision on affirmative action programs?

A: If the U.S. Supreme Court upholds the California decision against affirmative action, then all such programs could be knocked down in housing, education, employment, etc. The few small gains that have been made could be entirely wiped out and the fight against racism set back years.

Q: What can people do to help build this action?

A: There are leaflets, buttons, and posters available at the Black Legal Alliance office at 468 W. Ferry in Detroit. We already have people helping in Ann Arbor, Toledo, and Oberlin, but we can always use more help. Mostly, we need people to come Monday, Oct. 3 at 12 noon to Kennedy Square for the rally.

Q: How is the Michigan demon-

stration proceeding?

A: After our initial call, which went out to 400 organizations and individuals, 15 organizations attended the first planning meeting. Endorsements for the march have been pouring in since our Sept. 12 press conference, and activity is escalating rapidly with the Black Legal Alliance, Coalition of Trade Union Women (CLUW), NOW, PUSH, La Ley, Westside Mothers, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), the Oakland NAACP, and Workers World Party, among the many endorsers so far.

Q: How can people get more information or leaflets for Oct. 3?

A: They can contact the Coalition through Alice Jennings or Gail Anderson at (313) 577-3971 or Carl Edwards at (313) 496-1330.

We must get out to the streets to give the Supreme Court a clear message. They must not make a decision in Bakke's favor or they will be met with ongoing mass resistance of the people. We do not intend to drop the issue and will continue with community education programs, a speakers bureau, and plans for a one-day conference on the Bakke case in November.

willing to cut hours in half at the same pay, thus employing twice as many men and women. And when have they ever been willing to do that?)

The only way to create jobs for all is to scrap the system and create an economy for use instead of profit.

A rational, planned world economy would use all the labor it could get. It would decrease the working day as it hired more people. It would abolish frontiers; "documents" would be only an ugly memory.

Even now, this irrational, unplanned economy can't do without foreign-born workers at the same time it harangues against them.

The Labor Department informed the New England apple growers only last week that they could hire 1,600 Jamaicans to pick the crop. And the \$12 million onion crop in Texas will be harvested by about a thousand newly-imported Mexican workers. (These are only the publicized contracts. Many more are entered into quietly.)

Yet, all the while the ballyhoo goes on to turn North American-born workers against their brothers and sisters from across the borders and across the seas.

International Union (HRIE), the American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE); the Office and Professional Employees International Union; the Communications Workers of America (CWA); the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME); the American Federation of Teachers (AFT); and the American Postal Workers Union (APWU), the motion called for mailgrams to be sent to each of the Supreme Court justices who will decide the Bakke case.

Additionally, the delegates called for the text of the mailgrams, together with an article on the meaning of the Bakke case, to be printed in the Trade Unionist, the newspaper put out by the Labor Council which reaches thousands of workers all over the Washington metropolitan area.

The text of the mailgram states: "In recent months we have seen gains in human welfare fought for in the social movements of the 1960s by people struggling to make a better way of life wiped away by decisions of the Supreme Court. Most recently, the question of not only abortion, but its broader-reaching

issues of women's rights came before the courts, and the Court struck them down.

"In October, an equally important issue will come before the Court—the Bakke decision. Using the code word "reverse discrimination," the upholding of this lower court decision would completely institutionalize and further legalize outright racism. The implications of the Supreme Court's decision will have far-reaching effects on not only the right to education, but will set back the gains won by Black people, women, Spanish-speaking people and others, in areas ranging from open housing to job training programs, to employment opportunities.

"We urge that you vote to overturn the Bakke Decision. Affirmative action and other similar programs are rights that have been paid for literally in blood. They must not be wiped away, and the people who fight for these rights will not give them up or forget about them, whatever the Court's decision."

The motion affirms the importance of organized labor in fighting racism in all its forms.



Anti-deportation demonstration in Houston outside a "secret" meeting between Immigration head Leonel Castillo and local business and union officials. WW photo

Stop the deportations!

Immigration head picketed

HOUSTON, Sept. 15—"Free Jose Medina, stop deportations", and, "Stop the deportations of Iranian Students", delayed and disrupted a "secret" meeting this evening of Leonel Castillo, national head of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) with business leaders from Pan American Airways and Teamsters Union officials.

Inside, the meeting which was supposed to gather financial and political support for Castillo's brother-in-law, John Castillo in his bid for a local office, turned out to be a meeting on the issue of deportations.

As demonstrators loudly chanted "Castillo, Castillo, stop deportations," Castillo himself walked over to the window of the hotel meeting room to observe the demonstration. It was told to this

newspaper that Castillo explained to his associates "That's Workers World Party and probably La Raza Unida Party. They don't want any deportations," clearly indicating that he understood the demonstrators' message.

Meanwhile, despite the manager's insistence that the picket line was at the wrong hotel, the demonstration continued. While only 8 people attended Castillo's meeting, 35 picketers from the Iranian Students Association, the Texas Farmworkers Support Committee, La Raza Unida Party and Workers World Party effectively put a stop to the scheduled meeting for over an hour-and-a-half. The picket line also served to inform the many passing motorists of the racist and vicious use of deportations to intimidate oppressed communities and to keep the wages of oppressed workers low.

Undocumented workers made scapegoats for capitalist crisis

By ELIZABETH ROSS

NEW YORK, Sept. 25—While tens of thousands of steelworkers have just been laid off for good; while cities like Lackawanna and Youngstown are becoming ghost towns; while the states of New York and Pennsylvania are facing bankruptcy and firing more government workers every month; while the whole economy, not only of the U.S. but of the entire capitalist world is shrinking, the stooges of big business are desperately looking for scapegoats.

They can't admit that the system of "private enterprise" is at fault. They wince when they hear the words "recession," "depression" or "crisis." And they get green in the face when they are reminded that in most of the socialist countries there is a shortage of labor, no unemployment and an expanding economy.

The politicians fronting for the auto industry don't want the news to get around that the industry itself is responsible for unemployed auto workers; or that it reaps greater profits when it makes some workers break their backs on the production line 10 and 12 hours a day, six days a week, while it lays off thousands

more.

Agribusiness doesn't want it advertised that since it grows food for profit and not for human need, every big new mechanical contraption it invests in not only puts more thousands of small farmers out of business, but throws more farm workers on the scrap heap.

CAPITALISM RESPONSIBLE FOR UNEMPLOYMENT

And above all, the political and industrial leaders and the bankers don't want it mentioned that the only time there is anything like full employment is when they've got a war on.

They want to create a diversion—to get American workers to look somewhere else for the cause of hard times instead of at the capitalist system itself.

So they have come up with the bugaboo of "the undocumented workers." It is those foreigners willing to undercut the wages of honest Americans who are causing unemployment, they say. Send them back home and there will be plenty of jobs again.

Baloney! Even in "good times" there aren't enough jobs to go around (unless the bosses would be

Bethlehem Steel seeks to halt funds to Lackawanna schools

By J. MARQUARDT
BUFFALO. Sept. 21—Bethlehem Steel Corporation, which is laying off 3,500 employees, depriving hundreds of Lackawanna parents of their jobs, was temporarily blocked today from forcing all the Lackawanna children out of their schools.

Until today it was feared the Lackawanna schools would have to close immediately for lack of funds. This would affect some 4,300 students and 256 teachers. However, today the Appellate Division of the State Supreme Court in Rochester lifted a court order banning the Lackawanna Board of Education from collecting and spending the tax money anticipated for its \$11-million budget. Now the schools will remain open indefinitely.

BETHELEHEM STEALS JOBS AND EDUCATIONS

It was the Bethlehem Steel Corporation which obtained the court order to halt the collection of Lackawanna's school taxes. The giant steel corporation, which is the

largest property-owner in Lackawanna, (and therefore the single biggest taxpayer) owes \$5 million in school taxes.

The steel corporation argues that some technical aspect of the state legislation regarding city school district taxation is unconstitutional. Specifically, they charge that the district's \$11-million budget is more than \$2.1 million above the district's constitutional limit. But the obvious motive behind the corporation's efforts is to avoid paying the taxes, and keep the money in the pockets of the rich stockholders.

SCHOOLS REMAIN OPEN, BUT...

Lackawanna's schools remain open, but further court proceedings could still shut them down abruptly. The Appellate Division's decision forces the payment of school taxes now, but Bethlehem Steel Corporation and others will pay "under protest." This means that when the court proceedings resume again in late October or early November, if the lawsuit favors the company, the

taxpayers who paid "under protest" would be entitled to a tax refund.

Not only would the Lackawanna School District have trouble paying back money already spent, but would find it virtually impossible to continue operating with no incoming money. In fact, today's court decision determined whether or not the Lackawanna teachers would get their next paycheck. That's how tight the school money situation is.

BETHELEHEM'S ACTIONS MUST BE HALTED

Hundreds of Lackawanna workers are being faced with joblessness now, and the addition of 256 unemployed teachers would further hurt the community. But Bethlehem Steel, which doesn't even care if it deprives children of their right to an education, cares nothing for the community.

The Bethlehem workers, ex-workers, and their working sisters and brothers in western New York must demand an end to the steel corporation's greed for profits at the expense of the people's very livelihoods and futures.

Iron ore strikers remain united against giant steel monopolies

By JESSE LEE
NEW YORK. Sept. 26—The nation's iron ore miners are entering the third month of their strike. The 19,000 miners went on strike last July 31 when the giant steel monopolies refused to negotiate the 1,250 local grievances against the companies and refused to grant a pay program that would make miners' wages equal with workers in basic steel.

The workers on the iron range face daily hazardous working conditions. The grievances cover such basic rights as having proper medical care available at the job site, and reduction of the level of dust in the air, an issue of great concern because of the lung diseases which are common among iron ore miners.

The steel corporations have refused to negotiate with the union,

United Steel Workers of America (USW), claiming that the strike is illegal under the Experimental Negotiating Agreement (EN

Under the ENA, the union leadership sold away the workers' legal right to strike by guaranteeing the companies that there would be no national strike in steel. The ENA does permit strikes over local issues such as the present iron range strike, as a federal judge ruled at the beginning of this strike.

DRIVE FOR PROFITS

The iron ore miners are facing such steel giants as Inland, U.S. Steel, Republic, and Armco. These transnational corporations have been carrying out a concerted war on all steel workers as demonstrated by the recent layoffs of thousands of workers in basic steel. This is a part

of these monopolies' never-ending drive to get ever-greater profits.

Such an all-out attack by the companies demands a united response by the workers. Already some USW locals have pledged aid to the strikers.

The union's executive board this month voted a 50% increase in weekly strike benefits. The miners, however, still face economic hardship since benefits still total only \$30 a week.

As the strike continues the unity forged among the miners, their families, and the community has brought real strength to the strike. As these forces meet the hardships together, helping each other out in so many different ways, their bonds have grown, creating a power potentially greater than that of all the steel barons.



Worried workers leave Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company's Campbell down this plant, throwing 5,000 workers off the job, virtually condemning economic death, because the company's profits were not high enough.

—Profit-mad steel barons

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reversal of environmental laws, or anything else they can extort.

But Carter's job is to serve the interests of the ruling class overall, not just the special immediate interests of the dynasties such as the Mellons that dominate steel. Blocking Japanese steel would be a major escalation of the growing trade war between the imperialist rivals. It would force the Japanese to retaliate against other U.S. industries, and would most likely push the Japanese into a closer alliance with the West European imperialists against the U.S.

CARTER RUNS AWAY

And if the steel bosses thought they could move Carter by ruining the lives of thousands of workers, they made a big mistake. For all the flips and flops of his administration,

he has certainly been consistent in disregarding the needs of poor and working people.

Instead of going to Youngstown, Johnstown, or Lackawanna, to give the appearance of dealing with this crisis for the thousands of steelworkers, Carter is on his way preparing to go on a headline-grabbing world tour. After the Lance affair, and now these layoffs, which signal a major downturn in the economy, "Jimmy" has decided the best place to be is somewhere else.

McBride back on import

The steel corporations have convinced that would-be leader of labor, Lloyd McBride, president of the United Steel Workers, to start a "rank and file" campaign to stop steel imports.

McBride didn't take much convincing.

Regardless of the merits of the question itself this is a slick dodge to get out of a fight—too slick for McBride to think of himself.

So the bosses thought it up for him.

It's a boss's argument—really an argument between the bosses.

And it is meant to hog-tie the steel workers of this country and line them up in an endless debate between one section of American

—Steel town

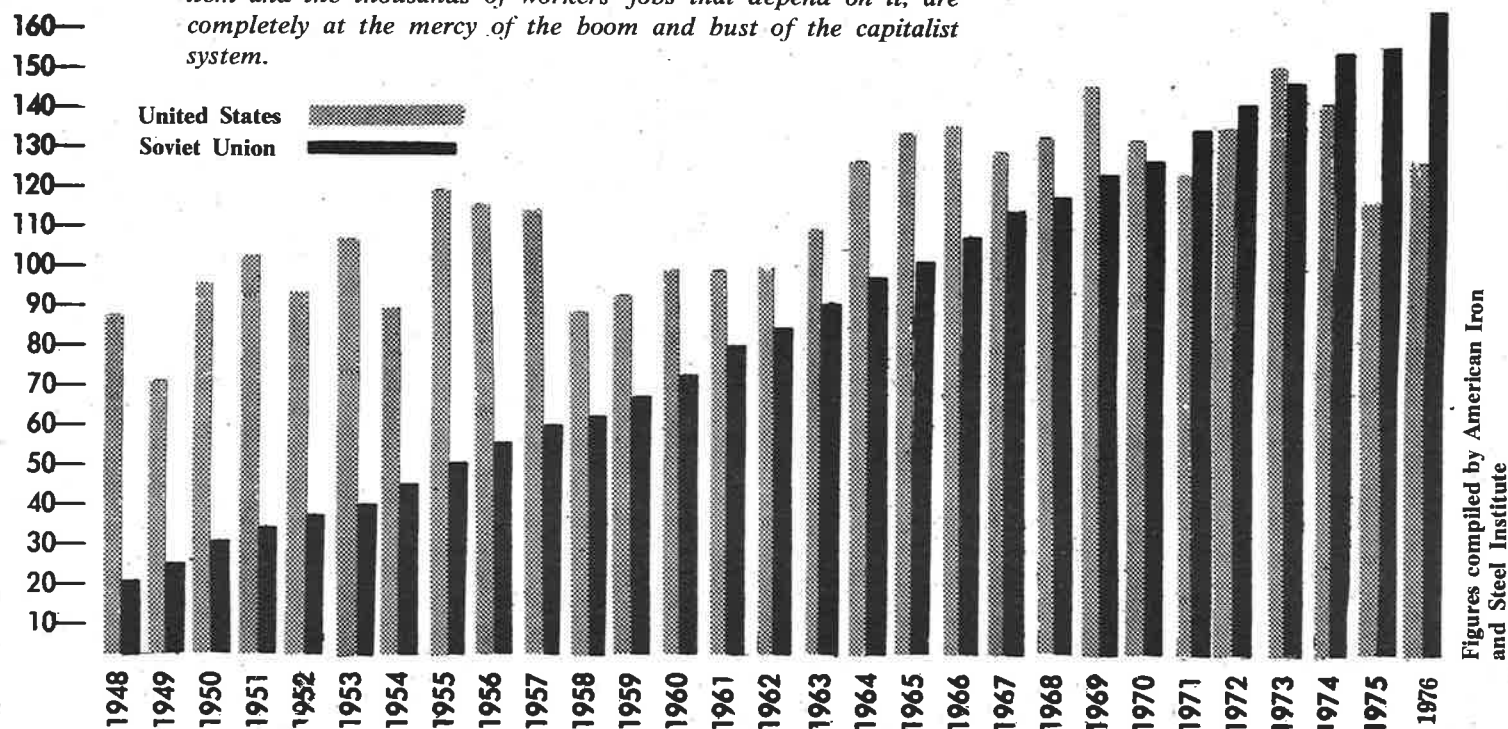
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happiness.

And the truth is self-evident that the only reasonable action to take is to preserve the jobs of the community by operating the shut-down plants under community control.

Furthermore, in the belief that there is a great need for steel in the field of hospital and school construction, in addition to a hundred-billion-dollar low-cost housing

U.S. and Soviet steel production compared over the last three decades. In the USSR, under a planned economy, steel production has steadily risen. However in the U.S., production of this essential item and the thousands of workers' jobs that depend on it, are completely at the mercy of the boom and bust of the capitalist system.



Youngstown steel layoffs

'Everything you've worked for and you're out'

By AL NORMAN

CAMPBELL, Ohio, Sept. 22—It came as a shock. Youngstown Sheet and Tube (YS&T) announced it will close almost all of its Campbell works, putting over 5,000 workers out of a job.

The South gate to the blast furnaces and open hearths, always busy three times a day during shift change, will be quiet. The reddish-colored air that hung above the steel plant will disappear. But tremendous hardship for so many people in the Mahoning Valley who gave gallons and gallons of sweat to YS&T is only beginning.

Lykes Corporation, parent company for YS&T, which bought the steel company in 1968, claimed that the plant had been "unprofitable," and pointed the finger of guilt at imported steel, government price restrictions, and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations. Lykes will now concentrate production of rolled steel at its newer Indiana Harbor plant near Chicago.

Today was the last day for many workers to walk through the gates, put in their eight hours, clean out their lockers, go home, and then wonder about the future.

The future is bleak. And the workers are angry.

"Everything you've worked for and you're out," declared a woman steelworker with five years. "We don't have any insurance, we don't have anything going for us now. I have two sick children to take care of," she told *Workers World*. As she spoke, she gathered names on a petition to Save the Mahoning Valley.

"EVERYTHING GOES"

Men and women, Black, Latin and white, who worked from 6 months to 41 years at YS&T told this reporter how the shutdown would affect them. A 34-year worker pointed out, "It looks bad. It'll be rough paying our utility bills in the winter."

Carrying all his belongings from his locker, another exclaimed, "Everything goes. I'll have to sell my house now."

Steelworkers at other plants are also angry. Their plants are antiquated. Some, such as the Ohio Works of U.S. Steel, are running at low capacity. That plant had already shut down for a period of time several years ago. "Once they're (YS&T) gone, it's only a matter of time for the rest of us," explained Ed Ballas, an officer of USW Local 1375 at Republic Steel in Warren.

FALSE CRY ABOUT IMPORTS

The steel barons have cried about imports for years, while they raked in their profits. Unfortunately, much of the Steelworkers leadership has picked up the cry. District 26 director Frank Lesaganich even went so far as to refer to the "Japanese empire."

Not all workers are joining in the chorus. A recent report showed that YS&T had purchased 350,000 tons of steel rolls from Japan for its Indiana Harbor works. One young worker reacted, "When you take YS&T crying about imports and

they turn right around and buy their steel rolls from Japan, what the hell do you think?"

The impact of the shutdown will go well beyond the 5,000 workers and their families. It will have a devastating effect on Youngstown, Campbell, Struthers, and other small towns in the Mahoning Valley.

It takes two-and-a-half workers to support one steelworker's job. That means 18,000 workers could be unemployed—truckers, railroaders, scrapyard workers, dockworkers, etc., from the most recent steel layoffs.

This jump in unemployment will reverberate in the cities, as less goods are purchased. A \$50 million drop in buying power is estimated for next year. Retail workers, bank employees, teachers, professionals, and public employees may lose their jobs, too.

Youngstown will lose nearly \$1 million in revenue next year. "Youngstown won't be anything when the people don't have any money. It will be hard on everybody," said Frances Peeples, a Black woman who worked eighteen months in the sintering mill.

Struthers Mayor Anthony Centofanti warned his residents "not to panic," even though Struthers will suffer a 40% drop in revenue.

Campbell will be hurt the most. "It's like being hit with a sledgehammer," declared Mayor Michael Katula. Campbell derived 80% of its income from YS&T. Losing \$1.7 million, the schools will close. City services will be severely cut back. This old steel town could easily turn into a ghost town.

Ironically, with so many more people unemployed, social service agencies will be hard-pressed to provide assistance. But the United Appeal, from which much funding

comes, expects a huge fall-off in donations. Those who help others may be in need of help themselves.

WORKERS EAGER TO FIGHT BACK

All steelworkers in the area seem to be eager to join together to fight back and save their jobs. Over 110,000 people have signed the "Save the Mahoning Valley" petitions. Although the petitions call for the bosses' program against imports, the EPA, and price restrictions, the huge number of signers shows the depth of the anger and the need to do something.

Arnold Barzak of USW Local 1375 worries that other plants could threaten shutdowns. "It could make things rough at the bargaining table," he said.

For decades, these thousands of now laid-off workers produced the steel that was the backbone of the U.S. economy. They took home their wages and bought homes, cars, clothing, medical care, and insurance. They financed their

children's education. They even took a yearly vacation. And at times, they risked their lives on the job in order to have these things.

These men and women, and those who came before them, won every benefit they could from the steel companies. They fought pitched battles and died on the soil of the Mahoning Valley in 1937, during the famous Little Steel Strike to try to win recognition for their union.

Now they are dumped out like pieces of scrap, looking back into the plant that was milked dry of profits.

Unemployment in the Mahoning Valley is already the highest in the state. There is no place to go. But the Campbell Works still stands. It is still capable of producing steel. The 5,000 workers out of work know how to produce that steel.

Unlike forty years ago, the steelworkers are well-organized all over the country. To win back their jobs, they will have to be bold and use the power that they hold. That power will determine their destiny.

More layoffs, more profits

CLEVELAND, Sept. 24—On the heels of the huge layoffs in the Youngstown area, two other steel firms followed suit with layoffs of their own. U.S. Steel announced it will lay off 200 workers at its McDonald works, just outside of Youngstown.

In southwestern Ohio, Armco Steel will terminate the jobs of 600 workers. Armco's pipe mill in Houston has already been shut down, and now Armco vice-president Gordon Hughes has ordered each plant manager to

find more ways to cut costs.

Last month, 7,300 other steelworkers were dumped in Buffalo and Johnstown, Pa.

A recent issue of American Metal Market newspaper reveals the cause of the trend. It quotes Richard Bari, a steel analyst at Argus Research Corporation, who wrote that "cutting out inefficient steelmaking facilities will maximize the industries' chances for realizing the huge profit potentials that have so long eluded it."



Campbell plant. The company has shut down almost all of its Campbell works, putting over 5,000 workers out of a job.

But even if Carter wanted to, he couldn't reverse the deep economic crisis which is at the root of the layoffs. This is because the crisis has grown out of the built-in nature of the capitalist system, in which production is based on profit instead of human need. The steel is needed, to rebuild the decaying cities, towns, schools, railroads, to help develop the countries ravaged by imperialism, and that steel will be used when it's taken from the capitalist class and put under the control of the working class.

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capitalism and another over the question of a phony capitalist "free trade" versus an equally phony and just as disastrous protectionism.

The steel workers can only get out of this straightjacket by turning their guns away from foreign imports and pointing them straight at the whites of the eyes of their native bosses.

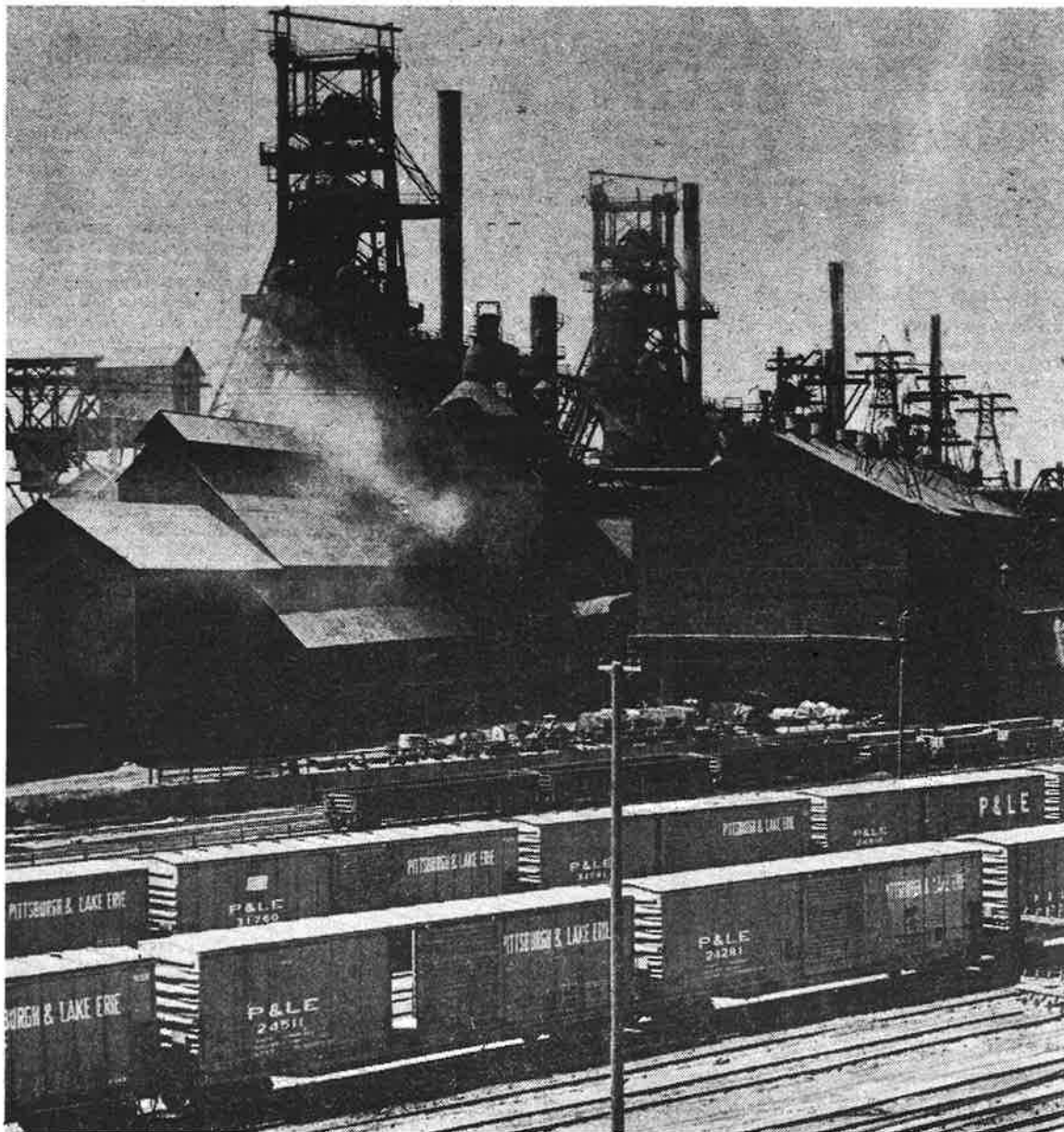
The steel workers can only keep their job by demanding that the plants stay open, by keeping them open, and by producing steel for all the people who need it without regard for the profit-hungry steel-owning parasites who never saw the inside of a steel plant and don't know how to keep one working.

program which could pay for itself if the government made the initial investment, the communities could add to their Declaration the well-known fact that the whole world is as hungry for steel as it is for food.

A simple thing like a garbage can for each of a billion families, including many right here in the United States, would take over five million tons of steel, for example. But such a Declaration would

have meaning only if the community—particularly the workers whose jobs are at stake—were to fight for it and implement it by the simple but decisive action of going to work and doing the jobs they have always done. The rest will follow naturally.

A steel town doesn't have to die. It has the same right to live as any steel-owning bank in Wall Street—and a lot more.



All but one of Youngstown's five blast furnaces will be shut down for good, and the men and women who sweated at those furnaces for years may lose everything they ever worked for.

Despite S. African gov't attempts to prevent mass gathering**20,000 attend funeral of Steven Biko**

By ANDY STAPP

NEW YORK, Sept. 28—As 20,000 African mourners raised clenched fists in a farewell salute to their fallen comrade, the body of Steven Biko was buried Sunday, Sept. 25, in King William's Town, South Africa. The massive outpouring protesting the murder of Mr. Biko, the 30-year-old founder of the South African Student Movement who was tortured to death earlier in the month by South Africa's fascist security police, took place despite frantic efforts of the fascist government to prevent a large crowd from assembling.

In Soweto the cops attacked a big group of people planning to travel the 450 miles to the funeral. According to the Christian Science Monitor (Sept. 26) while people were waiting for buses "the police threw a tear-gas canister, fired bullets, and then came chasing the people, hitting them with truncheons."

In another attack described by an AP dispatch (Sept. 21), "two white policemen whipped mourners in the Rockville district of Soweto during a memorial service for Mr. Biko. The police used sjamboks, which are large leather whips usually made of rhinoceros hide."

The New York Times (Sept. 26) reported that "policemen hauled mourners off buses in Soweto and assaulted them with truncheons. Several hundred blacks were arrested during the incidents," the Times added.

At the Biko funeral itself, the Times continued, "mourners identified two men in the crowd as members of the security police, the unit that was holding Mr. Biko during the 26-day stretch of detention that preceded his death Sept. 12." Within seconds after the two secret policemen were spotted, the angry people moved in and killed them.

BLACK YOUTH MURDERED

In the week leading up to the

funeral, South African cops shot six Black people protesting Mr. Biko's murder, killing at least one, William Mdladlamba, a 15-year-old.

The English news agency Reuters reported on Sept. 26 that African freedom fighters in "a guerrilla hideout in Soweto" clashed with security police in a "prolonged exchange of gunfire." One of the guerrillas, who were armed with automatic weapons, shot two cops before he was cut down.

RACIST HYPOCRISY

The U.S. Ambassador to South Africa, William G. Bowdler, had attended Biko's funeral in a publicity stunt aimed at cleaning up the image of the U.S. government in South Africa by giving the impression that the Carter administration is hostile to the fascist apartheid regime.

But this is only imperialism's public face. The truth is something else again. Last July 24, the Johannesburg Sunday Times carried a page one story based on an interview with Alexander van Wyk, the deputy head of the Bureau of State Security (BOSS), the country's dreaded Gestapo. In this interview, van Wyk stated of his torture cops, "they are highly trained—in America and West Germany."

Now that's U.S. imperialism in the raw. First they train the cops who kill the African prisoners, then they come to the funeral shedding crocodile tears.

Steven Biko was the twentieth Black political prisoner to die in recent months while in the custody of the South African police. His death, one of many, has, contrary to the intentions of his executors, only forged a stronger link in the growing chain of resistance to the rule of the colonialists.

In the end the fascists will be expelled from Africa as the oppressed people increasingly take the only road open to them, the armed struggle.



Steven Biko's widow and friends before his funeral. Biko's funeral, attracting 20,000 mourners, was a demonstration of the deep and wide-spread anger over the murder of this highly respected Black leader.

Religious group exposes Rhodesian strategic hamlets

By CONNIE HARRIS

NEW YORK, Sept. 28—Last week, the Catholic Commission for Peace and Justice in Rhodesia charged that the Rhodesian government has put 580,000 Black people in 203 so-called protected villages.

The report said that the villages were crowded, and lacked sanitation facilities, clean water, and sufficient food, and that the people who were forced to move into them were not even compensated for the property they had to abandon.

Conditions in these villages are, in fact, so bad that volunteer agencies must provide food, clothing, blankets, shelter, education, and health services to the people in them.

LEARNED FROM AMERICANS IN VIETNAM

The Rhodesian government does not deny the existence of these concentration camps (although they claim that only 250,000 people live in them). In a July 11, 1976, interview, Ian Thom, a district military commander of the racist Rhodesian army, boasted about

them, saying, "We learned the technique from the Americans in Vietnam, the French in Algeria, and from the Portuguese in Angola and Mozambique."

In each of these countries, this "technique" was used in an attempt to defeat the liberation struggle of its people.

In Vietnam, for example, these villages, called "strategic hamlets," were used to isolate the liberation army from its bases in the countryside. Attempting to prevent the soldiers of the National Liberation Front from receiving shelter and food from the peasants who supported them, the U.S. and its Saigon puppets set up the "strategic hamlets", and forced the people to move into them.

PROTECTION AGAINST WHOM?

Although the Rhodesian government claims that many Black people living in rural areas plead to be put in the fenced villages for safety from the Zimbabwean liberation fighters, this ridiculous statement was refuted by the Catholic investigators, who stated that the Rhodesian army had burned down Black settlements in order to force the people to move.

The report added that, like in every other country where this barbaric method had been used, it was a failure.

"In many areas the guerrillas move in and out of the villages freely," the report said. "They [the villages] are popular targets for the guerrillas, who cut down the fences, liberate the people inside, and burn down the huts."

The report also charged that government security forces shot and tortured civilian Black people. This charge was documented with

photographs of injured Black people.

INVESTIGATORS JAILED

The Rhodesian government responded to this report by arresting the four members of the Commission who compiled it on Aug. 30. Three of them were freed on bail, but Sister Janice McLaughlin, a nun from Pittsburgh, Pa., was held without bail.

After being imprisoned for three weeks, she was deported to the U.S. on Sept. 22.

Charged by the Rhodesian government with publishing documents likely to spread alarm and despondency among the Rhodesian population, Sister McLaughlin was described at her bail hearing by the prosecution as a "grave security risk" and "a dedicated supporter of the terrorist cause."

Sister McLaughlin did not deny this, and said, "I support the side of the freedom fighters in the war... I think it's come to the point where it's impossible to bring about change without the war, and I support change."

The jailing of the investigators and the deportation of Sister McLaughlin exposes the desperation of the racist regime in Rhodesia. But its efforts both to defeat the just struggle of the liberation fighters of Zimbabwe, and to suppress evidence of the government's brutal racist tactics will not succeed.

The Rhodesian government has every reason to feel both alarmed and despondent; for the day is coming when the people of Zimbabwe—like their sisters and brothers in Vietnam, Mozambique, and Angola—will kick out their oppressors for good.



In the week leading up to Steven Biko's funeral South Africa police shot six Blacks protesting Mr. Biko's murder. Here, William Mdladlamba, 15-years-old, lies dead.

After student pressures at UMass**School dumps S. African stocks**

AMHERST, Sept. 14—University of Massachusetts trustees voted today to sell all stocks owned by the University in corporations with investments in South Africa. They also voted to permanently eliminate all such stocks from the U. Mass. portfolio.

The decision culminates a two-year campaign against the university's support to apartheid, organized by the Committee for the

Liberation of Southern Africa and supported by other student and community organizations including the undergraduate and graduate student senates.

Committee activist and graduate student body president Sally Rees, commenting on today's victory stated, "This campaign of educating and mobilizing masses of people shows how students in this country

can actively support oppressed people of South Africa.

"This significant decision by the Trustees came about only because of student pressure. The decision contributes to the growing national movement against U.S. support to apartheid. We intend to carry this campaign to the towns and colleges of this state and to the rest of the country until the U.S. is out of South Africa."

Saudi petro-dollars fuel aggression against Ethiopia

Saudi Arabia—where Exxon is king

By ANDY STAPP

NEW YORK, Sept. 26—A little over a month ago, the Christian Science Monitor (Aug. 15) reported that a "Saudi-led" and "Western-backed Arab coalition is coordinating the present Somali guerrilla and Eritrean offensive against Ethiopia." Seven days later, Newsweek (Aug. 29) disclosed that "a vast covert traffic in Saudi munitions" was being delivered to Somalia, and Time magazine of the same week revealed that "the Saudis are using their oil money to help Somalia, Sudan, Chad, and the Eritrean secessionists" fighting the Ethiopians. The Aug. 29 Newsweek confirmed that Saudi Arabia is providing "military and economic assistance" to both Somalia and the Eritrean armed bands.

As far back as last April, Middle East magazine reported Saudi collaboration with the Eritreans, while the journal New Africa (June 1977) stated that Saudi Arabia is one of "the principal backers" of both the Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF) and also of the Ethiopian Democratic Union, which New Africa characterized as "an anti-Marxist front founded in 1975" by the old feudal elements that had been overthrown by the Ethiopian revolution.

Mengistu Haile Mariam, the Ethiopian head of state, has also stressed the role of "reactionary Arab countries," particularly Saudi Arabia in "supporting the Eritrean armies." (Granma, Aug. 7.)

WHAT IS SAUDI ARABIA?

What is Saudi Arabia, that it should play such a pivotal role in bankrolling and arming the foes of revolutionary Ethiopia?

The only country in the world that is named after its ruling family, Saudi Arabia is the very model of a police state. Chattel slavery still exists on a very wide-spread scale there, illiteracy stands at 85%, and the life expectancy of the average person is only 30-40 years.

Members of the royal family in exempt from all laws. The country has no constitution, no opposition political parties, and there is absolute censorship of books and newspapers. According to Saudi law, "a woman is like a shoe a man may take off or put on as he wishes." All women must wear veils in public.

5,000 POLITICAL PRISONERS

Since the Saudi royal family consolidated its political authority, 70,000 people have had their limbs amputated for various offenses, including political resistance. According to the 1975 report of Amnesty International, 5,000 political prisoners are being held, often without either charges or trial, in medieval-type dungeons in Riyadh, Mecca, Jidda and Dammam. These prisoners are subjected to years of solitary confinement, beatings, crushing of the head, wrist clamps that cut off blood circulation to the hands, and torture by poisonous insects.

Executions, usually beheadings, are carried out in public and on one occasion 17 suspected members of the Arabian Peninsula Peoples Party were shot publicly en masse. Public flogging is also common.

Some oil workers arrested for their role in the great 1953 and 1956 strikes against ARAMCO (the Arabian American Oil Company) are still held in prison to this day.

Such brutality to the petroleum workers is not surprising, since ARAMCO (jointly owned by Exxon,

Standard Oil of California, Mobil and Texaco) is the real power in Saudi Arabia. Saudi Arabia has the biggest known oil reserves of any nation on earth, and ARAMCO has de facto control of most of it, including the largest oil field in the

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Saudi slavery

On September 10, 1953, the Manchester Guardian reported that there were then as many as 750,000 slaves in Saudi Arabia. During the 1950s United States UN representatives prevented that organization from passing any anti-slavery pact that would have embarrassed the Saudis.

George Wadsworth, a U.S. ambassador to Saudi Arabia, told a Senate hearing on the Eisenhower Doctrine that King Ibn Saud, then ruler of Saudi Arabia, was "a good king who has the welfare of his people primarily in mind."



Saudi Arabia, 1977: "Since the Saudi Royal family consolidated its political authority, 70,000 people have had their limbs amputated for various offenses, including political resistance." Here, a man writhes in pain as his hand is cut off.

'Break your alliance with reaction and imperialism'

Progressive Egyptians appeal to Eritreans

By DEIRDRE GRISWOLD

NEW YORK, Sept. 27—An organization of progressive Egyptians in exile has called on the Eritreans fighting for independence from Ethiopia to break their "alliance with reactionary Saudi Arabia, the Egyptian and Sudanese right and U.S. imperialism."

The Egyptian National Democratic Movement, which has been banned in Egypt and puts out the magazine Al Tadamun from Paris, explained its position in its September issue in an article entitled "A Sincere and Frank Statement to the Eritrean Fighters."

The struggle in Eritrea began 16 years ago. For many years, progressives everywhere supported the Eritreans, including, as the Egyptian statement points out, "the Egyptian and Arab progressive forces."

This struggle was not only to liberate the Eritrean people from the brutality, exploitation and suppression practiced by the feudal regime of Haile Selassie, the article explains, "but it was a struggle against a regime that gave the American imperialists the most dangerous bases on the Red Sea in Asmara and transformed Ethiopia into a base for the stooges of American imperialism in East Africa. Also that regime gave the Zionist enemy important facilities which strengthened his positions on the Red Sea."

"MENGISTU LIQUIDATED U.S. MILITARY INFLUENCE"

The statement does not characterize the present Ethiopian government or the revolution going on there, saying flatly that "We don't know a lot about the Mengistu regime." But under the heading, "Practical Actions Are Our Most Important Standard of Judgment," the writers add:

"All we know about the attitude of the Mengistu regime is that it liquidated the American military influence in Ethiopia, closed the American base in Asmara, kicked out the Israeli advisors, opposed the plans of Saudi reactionaries and the Egyptian right in transforming the Red Sea into an American lake. That in itself is an important thing to the nationalist-progressive forces that struggle against the imperialist-Zionist-rightist attack, which aims

to surround the Arab oil fields and the Arab area with an American strategic belt in order to secure American political and economical influence in the area."

The statement supports the right of the Eritreans to self-determination, saying "We know how the Eritrean people suffered at the hands of the autocratic regimes of Ethiopia. But," it adds, "the thing that we don't understand is the growing relationship and this mutual and surprising enthusiasm between you (at least some of your groups) and reactionary Saudi Arabia and the rightist regimes of Cairo and Khartoum."

"Alas, how painful the shock was when we heard some of your leaders

publicly declaring and demanding aid from American imperialism and its head, Carter. Didn't you ask yourselves, Comrades, where these new allies were during the last ten years of your struggle and the struggle of your people against the harassment and exploitation and suppression of the former reactionary regimes of Ethiopia? More than that, why didn't they even recognize the existence of the Eritrean people?"

"Do you know, Comrades, that if these new allies succeed in overthrowing the Mengistu regime and replacing him with a regime similar to theirs, they will demand from you to throw down your arms and capitulate to the new regime? ...

Don't imagine, Comrades, these new allies are going to help you obtain your right to self-determination which secures the Eritrean people's ambitions in democracy and a progressive social-economic system."

ALLIES OR ENEMIES?

"These new allies are the worst enemies of democracy. We don't need to tell you about the bloody massacres they practiced against their own people in Egypt, Sudan and the Arabian Peninsula. We don't need to tell you about their animosity towards socialism and any economic policy that meets the needs of the masses. They are not

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Polisario's strength grows

'Our struggle relies on the masses'

By G. DUNKEL

NEW YORK, Sept. 25—Behind the struggle of the Polisario liberation forces to gain and consolidate international recognition and support, behind all the machinations of Morocco, France, and the U.S. to isolate the Arab Saharan Democratic Republic (ASDR) lies a series of Polisario victories over the Morocco-Mauritanian invaders. Polisario is fighting for the liberation of the ASDR which is located in the Western Sahara.

At a recent press conference held at Hassi-Hafid-Boudjema in southern Algeria, according to the French press, the Minister of Defense of the ASDR, Brahim Gali, presented 190 prisoners taken in the last month, as well as impressive quantities of 105mm. howitzers vans and trucks, land rovers, heavy machine guns, light arms, ammunition and the fuselage of an F-5 fighter, all carrying either Moroccan or Mauritanian markings.

This was the fruit of five victories gained by Polisario in August and September in battles that occurred throughout southern Morocco, the Western Sahara and Mauritania. This past March Polisario held a little more than 400 prisoners. It now holds over 900 prisoners.

The special summit of the Organization of African Unity

(OAU), which was to be held in Lusaka, Zambia this month, was postponed because of "uncertain conditions resulting from Rhodesian army and air force attacks."

Polisario has pointed out, however, that this postponement was announced around the time the Moroccan Foreign Minister visited Omar Bongo, this year's president of the OAU and president of Gabon.

Furthermore, Polisario feels that Rhodesia would not have attacked Zambia without the approval of its non-African imperialist backers. Nevertheless, the fact that Morocco and its backers, the U.S. and France, felt that they had to have the OAU meeting postponed means that they knew that they would lose, that the ASDR would be formally recognized.

The imperialist powers, and those who represent them are looking for time in order to defeat Polisario and present the OAU with an accomplished fact. This is going to be hard to do, since Polisario is in the process of defeating them.

INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT

The Spanish Communist Party has recently taken the public position that the treaty signed by Spain—the former colonial power in the Western Sahara—Morocco, and

Mauritania must be renounced. This treaty is the legal basis for the Moroccan invasion.

President Leopold Senghor of Senegal has called for a referendum in the Western Sahara under the supervision of the OAU, the Arab League, and the United Nations.

Senegal's northern border is with Mauritania, and Morocco has territorial claims on it.

Furthermore, even though the OAU special conference has been called off, many members of the OAU have taken positive steps to have it re-scheduled.

The ASDR is a small country and its main supporters, Algeria and Libya, are not very powerful. In fact, Libya was just attacked by Egypt because of the progressive role that Libya plays in the Arab world. And Morocco is a large country backed by powerful countries like the U.S. and France. Libya's support for Polisario does not seem to have faltered.

Mohammed Lamine Ould Ahmed, the prime minister of the ASDR, explains the basic reason for his country's victories in these words: "We are defending a cause, the cause of our people. Its right to exist, its right to self-determination, its right to independence. . . . Our armed struggle relies on the masses."

EDITORIAL

China's workers and the 'elite'

The tremendous efforts to thwart the growth of privilege and bureaucracy in China, which received their greatest impulse in the days of the Cultural Revolution, have been defeated. Certainly this is why imperialist opinion is so unanimously friendly to the new leadership in China.

But as **Workers World** has been pointing out ever since the internal shift to the right began way back in 1971 with the downfall of Lin Piao, the political victory of the right-wing within the party, bolstered by a privileged, conservative layer throughout Chinese society, does not mean that the basic **class character** of China has been reversed. No, China remains a workers' state, with a planned, socially owned economic structure that is vastly superior to capitalism. And under this system great strides have been taken by the Chinese masses. Moreover, the Chinese workers are not about to let this be taken away from them, even though the new incentives and "discipline" being pushed in the factories may go a long way toward breaking down the solidarity and political initiative of the workers.

This point was brought home in a recent anecdote from Peking that appeared in the Washington Post of Sept. 11. In an article that praised the "order" and "lack of dogmatism" under Hua Kuo-feng, the writer made these interesting observations:

"Past periods of political relaxation like this one have eased the usual restrictions on special privileges for high officials. . . . (But) if privileges increase, demonstrations against bureaucrats might resume, even without Mao to back them.

"Chinese workers view themselves as the true elite of their Marxist state. They seem perfectly willing to defy superior authority when they see fit.

"Just last month an American reporter tried to get a taxi from his Peking hotel to a nearby restaurant. Foreigners in China have the same effective rank as high officials. They can usually get good food, private rooms and cars on demand. But the lone driver manning the taxi stand just stared at the hotel guest.

" 'Sorry,' he said. 'I haven't had my lunch yet.' And that was that."

Any seasoned imperialist reporter knows that in the dog-eat-dog world of "free," "human rights" (capitalist) New York City or Washington, cab drivers just don't do this. It only happens where the masses not only **think** of themselves as equal to any "superior authority," but have made a revolution to prove it.

Israel and U.S. in another maneuver

The latest U.S. proposal for a single unified Arab delegation at the Geneva peace talks is just another attempt by U.S. imperialism and its Israeli client state to keep the Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO) out of the talks.

The Israeli cabinet went the U.S. one step further in arrogance but not in strategy when they demanded that those Palestinians taking part in the unified Arab delegation not be known members of the PLO. They described the Palestinian Arabs as "Arabs of Eretz Israel," the ancient Jewish homeland which included the area between the Suez Canal and the Euphrates River, in other words, parts of Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, and Syria.

In practicing their duplicitous diplomacy in the Middle East, U.S. imperialism and Israel have been using the old "soft cop-hard cop" routine. Israel makes an outrageous demand, or a military advance, and the U.S. diplomats propose a compromise.

Israel establishes settlements on the West Bank, taken from Jordan in the 1967 war. President Carter deplores it publicly, but Israeli Foreign Minister Moïse Dayan says that Carter gave them the go-ahead. Israel sends tanks and troops into Lebanon. The Lebanese call on the U.S. to win a ceasefire. The U.S. gets credit for the ceasefire, but the Israelis still keep some tanks in Lebanon.

Before the Israeli cabinet accepted the present "compromise," there were talks between Carter and Dayan and Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and Dayan. The U.S. imperialists had to let their clients know how far they could push.

Since the 1973 war, when Israel lost its aura of invincibility, the U.S. has managed to maneuver with some of the Arab states, lining up the outright reactionary kings in Saudi Arabia and Jordan as tools of imperialist interests, and breaking bourgeois nationalists like Sadat in Egypt from their alliance with the Soviet Union. In the meantime, the U.S. has not let up one bit in its military support for Israel, keeping it the best-armed state in the area.

Although U.S. imperialism is willing to maneuver with some of the Arab regimes, using their own fear of the Palestinian liberation movement and of their own workers and peasants as a weapon to line them up, the imperialists still see the Israeli state as their most effective tool against the Arab masses.



—Saudi Arabia

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world, the Ghawar Field, covering over two million acres (twice the size of the famous King Ranch).

ARAMCO has seen to it that all trade unions are banned in Saudi Arabia, as are all meetings of workers for any purpose whatsoever. The severed hands of rebellious oil workers have been hung in nets at the gates of ARAMCO refineries to intimidate the labor force.

POLICE TRAINED IN U.S.

Saudi Arabia is one of the Pentagon's biggest arms clients, having received over \$1 billion in military equipment during the 1960s alone. More than 1,000 high ranking Saudi police officials have been trained in the U.S. in the "Public Safety and Advisory Programs" run by the Agency for International Development (AID). In Saudi Arabia itself, the U.S. maintains a large Military Assistance Advisory Group (MAAG).

A booklet (Political Prisoners in the Oil States) published by the Organization of Arab Students in the U.S. and Canada charges that for over 10 years political prisoners have been tortured at the U.S. police advisory mission building on Mutaba Street in Riyadh.

Saudi Arabia's monarchy has always acted as a tool of U.S. imperialism, even to the extent that during the height of the October 1973 Mideast war, when the Arab people were locked in bloody combat with the U.S. client state Israel, Saudi Foreign Minister Saqqaf stood beside President Nixon on the White House lawn lauding him as a "man of peace."

PROMOTE ANTI-PALESTINIAN FORCES

The Saudi reactionaries have promoted all the rightist, anti-Palestinian forces in Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan, and Syria, and their money finances the Sultan of Oman's genocidal war against the Dhofar guerrilla freedom fighters.

In recognition to such loyal service to imperialism, the U.S. government stepped up its support for the monarchy to new heights in the 1970s. In 1974 CIA director William Colby visited Saudi Arabia, and a year later the Department of Defense awarded a \$77 million

grant to the Vinnell Corporation of Los Angeles to train Saudi troops to guard the ARAMCO facilities there. The Vinnell corporation is using "ex" Green Berets for this task.

Today the Saudis are fighting a proxy war (for the Pentagon and Wall Street) against the Ethiopian revolution. They are pouring in hundreds of millions in petrodollars behind the Eritrean secessionist movements and the Somalis while talking about "liberation."

What kind of "liberation" are the Saudis and their U.S. masters trying to bring to the Eritrean people and to the Somalis? One has only to see the utterly wretched condition of the oppressed masses already under Saudi rule to answer that question.

—Appeal to Eritreans

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going to allow you what they deprive their own people of.

"Did you ask yourselves, Comrades, why they participated together in the plots and maneuvers to liquidate the revolution in Oman, and why they are helping you?"

"They'll help you only as much as you will be helping them in spreading their control (imperialist-reactionary) on the Red Sea. . . ."

"Allow us, Comrades, to say it frankly and sincerely: if you raise the banner of self-determination in one hand and the banner of alliance with reactionary Saudi Arabia and the Egyptian and Sudanese right and American imperialism in the other hand, you will be passing through a very dangerous adventure. . . ."

This appeal by a progressive Egyptian movement, and an earlier statement issued several weeks ago by a delegation of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine which visited Addis Ababa (reported in **Workers World** of Aug. 26) show the alarm with which many progressive and revolutionary Arabs view the events on the Horn of Africa.

(It is interesting that both statements take issue with the story being circulated in the imperialist press that Israel is assisting the Ethiopian army. Ethiopia has categorically denied this, pointing

SWP slander

The latest issue of the Militant (dated Sept. 30), newspaper of the Socialist Workers Party, reports that there has been a "recent split" in Workers World Party.

This is news to us.

Had the Militant been interested in knowing the truth, a simple call to us could have quickly informed them that there has been no "split" of any kind in WWP.

The Militant owes its readers a retraction, especially since the article was merely relating what had been told to its party conference in a report from the SWP Political Committee.

out that such a fabrication is convenient for the purposes of the Arab regimes which, no matter how reactionary and pro-imperialist they may be, have to make a show of being opposed to Israel. When the Palestinian delegation was in Addis Ababa, head of state Mengistu made a point of offering the former Israeli embassy building to the Palestine Liberation Organization for its Ethiopian office.)

Workers World has explained in previous issues that we believe U.S. imperialism and the reactionary regimes in the Middle East under its thumb are using the Eritrean struggle and Somali expansionism in order to consolidate their own counter-revolutionary influence in the area. While the Eritrean movement's origins in national oppression cannot be denied, the overriding question now is how to keep imperialism from dismembering and crushing revolutionary Ethiopia, which is undergoing a profound internal upheaval of the most oppressed masses. A victory for the Ethiopian Revolution will have the profoundest significance not only in the Horn but throughout Africa; its defeat would set back all the progressive struggles and strengthen the most exploitive, repressive regimes.

[Our thanks to the Arab friends in Detroit who translated the statement from Al Tadamun.]

U.S. a friendly "neutral"

Israeli tanks invade Lebanon

By JOHN CATALINOTTO
NEW YORK, Sept. 27—As Israeli Foreign Minister Moïse Dayan conferred with U.S. President Jimmy Carter last Wednesday, Israeli tanks rolled into southern Lebanon, backing the Lebanese right-wing offensive against Palestinian-held towns. At the same time, Israeli gunboats pulled into Lebanese territorial waters near the port city of Tyre.

The New York Times reported today that a truce was finally reached yesterday after a week of intensive fighting in southern Lebanon, and that Israeli tanks and armored personnel carriers crossed back from Lebanon. The Israelis were still reported to hold artillery positions on hills on the Lebanese side.

U.S. imperialism is continuing to pose as a neutral "peace-broker" in the Middle East, but the meeting between Dayan and Carter as the Israeli invasion began can only be seen as U.S. connivance with its Israeli dependents.

According to the Sept. 24-25 Le Monde, last Wednesday the U.S. passed along a warning from Israel to Syria that it would not tolerate any Syrian troop movements toward the border in Lebanon. This meant that the Syrian forces inside Lebanon could only move to stop the Israeli attack at the risk of general war; the Lebanese Army, which collapsed during the recent civil war, is incapable of facing the Israelis.

ISRAEL AIDS LEBANESE FASCISTS

During and since the end of the Lebanese civil war, Israel has given military aid to the Phalange and other right-wing forces which were pitted against the Palestinians and the Lebanese left. (The fascist

Phalange had opened the civil war with a murderous ambush of a bus full of Palestinian men, women and children in April, 1975.)

Fighting has continued in southern Lebanon, with the Israelis supporting the Lebanese right wing, shelling Palestinian- and leftist-held towns and positions. Much of the local population has fled from the fighting.

Last week, the Israelis stepped up their involvement, raising the possibility of a general invasion. UN observers noted that shelling of the towns of Khiam and Nabatiye had increased from 51 rounds on Sept. 17 to 987 rounds on Sept. 18. Three days later, the tanks and armored personnel carriers crossed the border, seizing Taliet Cheriike, a key hilltop overlooking Khiam.

Heavy censorship of foreign reporters couldn't stop news of Israeli truck and troop movements toward the Lebanese border from

leaking out.

PLO STATEMENT

In a message to Arab kings and heads of state, Yassir Arafat, president of the PLO, said that "the Zionist enemy as well as its allies, in pushing forward its invasion of certain regions of southern Lebanon, is trying to create a new reality capable of torpedoing peace efforts in the Middle East."

An Israeli seizure of territory would bring them to the talks in a new position of strength—another chip to bargain with.

Palestinian guerrillas, in defense of their positions, launched rocket attacks with Soviet-supplied Katusha rockets at settlements on the Israeli side of the border (on territory which was seized from the Palestinians in 1948). The PLO stated on Sept. 26 that "We won't pull out and leave a vacuum for the Israelis and fascists to take over."

Six demonstrations in U.S. demand,

End martial law in the Philippines!

By SHARON AYLING

NEW YORK, Sept. 22—Today, on the fifth anniversary of martial law in the Philippines, a demonstration was held in front of the Philippine Consulate Center here, demanding an end to the brutally repressive Marcos regime.

This was part of a nationwide protest by the Anti-Martial Law Coalition (AMLC), with simultaneous demonstrations in Chicago, Seattle, Honolulu, Los Angeles, and San Francisco.

Chants of "Stop U.S. aid to the Marcos dictatorship," were alternated with speakers who ex-

plained to the rush-hour crowd that it is U.S. big business which profits from the ongoing kidnapping, rape, torture, and murder of political prisoners in that country.

MARCOS FOUND GUILTY IN PEOPLE'S TRIALS

Last week, people's trials were held by AMLC across the U.S. against the Marcos dictatorship and the U.S. government as a direct accomplice. Tape recordings of torture accounts of political detainees were played as part of the evidence. The "defendants" were found guilty by the audiences, and the sentence was declared to be the militant demonstrations held today.

An estimated 48% of the 5000 political prisoners in the Philippines have been tortured, according to the Sept. 22 Aug. Katipunan, newspaper of the Union of Democratic Filipinos (KDP). Even the most basic rights have been suspended, such as court trials, the right to organize, freedom of press, and the right to strike.

Martial law was Marcos' answer to a tremendous growth of mass organizations of workers, students and peasants in the early 1970s and mass demonstrations which seriously threatened his pro-imperialist government.

The U.S. rulers seized the Philippines, along with Puerto Rico and Cuba, as colonial booty won in 1898 Spanish-American War, a war waged primarily to crush the



WW photo: Ed Collins

A picket line in front of the Philippine Consulate Center in New York of Sept. 22 marked with protest the fifth anniversary of repressive martial law under the Marcos regime.

successful revolutions in those countries against Spanish colonialism.

This war not only opened the way to the conquest of the whole of Latin America by U.S. big business, it also opened the way to the conquest of Asia through the plunder of the strategically-located Philippines.

Ever since this criminal seizure, U.S. imperialism has maintained its domination of the Philippines through brutal force. The U.S. military complex of 22 bases located there is one of the largest in the world, while Philippine military officers are trained in such places as Ft. Bragg and Ft. Benning.

U.S. STRANGLES PHILIPPINE ECONOMY

Five years of martial law has meant that the American stranglehold over the Philippine economy has grown tighter and tighter. By the end of June, 1977, the foreign debt reached \$6 billion. Before they would grant the much-needed loan adjustments, the International Monetary Fund (IMF)

and the World Bank, both of which are controlled by Wall Street, forced concessions such as a further relaxation on imports and lower taxes for transnational corporations.

And the loans themselves must be used for production and transport of raw materials for export, not for the much needed primary industries which would compete with foreign imports.

The cost to the Filipino people of this IMF-World Bank-dictated policy of dependent development has been devastating. Rampaging inflation has cut real wages between 1970 and 1976 by at least 40%, according to the KDP. Seven million among 43 million population, or one-third of working-age people, are unemployed or underemployed. Hardest hit right now are the sugar industry workers, 400,000 of whom are jobless due to the depression of the international market in sugar.

GROWING RESISTANCE

The people have answered these attacks with dramatic gains this past

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Thai students being arrested during the U.S. financed right-wing coup there a year ago.

New York meeting will protest first anniversary of Thai junta

By MOLLY CHARBONEAU
NEW YORK, Sept. 26—On Oct. 7, here in New York City, the Union of Democratic Thais (UDT) plans a meeting to protest the first anniversary of the Oct. 6, 1976, U.S.-backed, right-wing coup in Thailand.

The event, which will also expose the barbaric prison conditions and kangaroo trials faced by political detainees in Thailand, will begin at 7:30 PM at Washington Square Methodist Church 135 West 4th Street.

Oct. 7 also marks the date that 18

political prisoners arrested on Oct. 6, 1976, the Bangkok 18, will next appear in court. After a year in subhuman dungeons these 16 men and two women, who include leaders of the National Student Center, four labor activists, a former government official and some writers, face charges ranging from "treason, inciting to riot, murder, and attempted murder of government officials and communist activities."

Don Luce a co-director of Clergy and Laity Concerned, recently returned from an investigative trip

to Thailand, will speak at the Oct. 7 meeting on the conditions for Thai political prisoners and on the arraignment of the Bangkok 18, which he attended.

A film "We Will Never Forget", which details a strike and takeover by women workers at Thailand's Hara textile factory will be shown. The evening will close with a Thai singer, discussion and refreshments. All who wish to show solidarity with the struggle of the Thai people against the fascist junta and its U.S. backers are urged to attend the Oct. 7 event.

Two Iranians defeat frameup at MSU

By D. REIS

EAST LANSING, Sept. 22—Two Iranian students at Michigan State University (MSU) who faced frame-up charges following mass protests against MSU's collaboration with the Shah of Iran, had all charges against them dropped on Aug. 21.

Following a peaceful rally to oppose the University's contract to make propaganda films for Iran, the two Iranian students and one North American student were arrested. The North American student was charged with illegal use of a bullhorn, and the Iranians were accused of "attempted resisting arrest" when they asked what was going on.

PUBLIC SUPPORT

A campaign against these frameups were immediately begun with mass petitions circulated and telegrams and letters of support sent to the University and the prosecutor. On July 8, the original charges concerning the use of the bullhorn were dropped, but the prosecutor insisted he would

continue the case against the Iranians.

However, opposition to this blatant political repression continued to mount, with support coming in from all over the country. Finally, on Aug. 21, Prosecutor Houk announced that these charges were also being dropped. He cited the technicality that there was no such thing as "attempted resisting arrest."

However, Houk's real motives were made clear when he rushed to inform the Lansing State Journal that the letters and telegrams "didn't affect my decision."

Members of the committee defending the Iranian students told Workers World that they did not expect the prosecutor to draw up new charges, since over a month has passed. The defeat of this case of heavy-handed repression has fueled the determination to build an even stronger movement to stop the MSU-Iran Film Project and all U.S. support to the hated Shah of Iran.

Haitian exiles denounce Duvalier regime, call for end to all U.S. aid

By G. DUNKEL

NEW YORK, Sept. 22—This week, the Haitian community of New York and New Jersey marked the twentieth anniversary of Francois Duvalier's takeover of Haiti with protests, demonstrations, and meetings, all calling for an end to the Duvalier brand of fascism and an end to its U.S. support and aid.

Tuesday, Sept. 20, a demonstration was held at UN Plaza on the day that the United Nations General Assembly opened. Over 100 people, mostly Haitian and many working people who had just taken a few hours off the job, took part in this protest.

A statement, endorsed by the Parti National, the Committee for Liberation of Haiti and the Association des Journalistes Haitiens, was distributed denouncing Jean Claude Duvalier—who is Francois Duvalier's son and successor as president for life of Haiti—as a corrupt thief.

ARBITRARY ARRESTS AND EXECUTIONS

The statement also denounced the arbitrary arrest and execution of

those who oppose the Duvalier regime, called for the freedom of political prisoners, and for stopping "the exploitation of workers in factories ruled without any guarantees and social benefits."

Banners and chants at the demonstration called for an end to all U.S. aid to Haiti, and for political asylum in the U.S. for all Haitian refugees.

Thursday, Sept. 22, the Committee for the Defense of Human Rights in Haiti, KODDPA, held two demonstrations: one at Rockefeller Center at the Haiti tourism office and the other at the Haitian Consulate. They also sponsored a demonstration the same day in Montreal.

The statement issued by KODDPA pointed out some of the results of the Duvaliers' rule. Haiti has the lowest per capita income in the world: 90% of the population is illiterate; life expectancy is 45; one million, that is, 20% of all Haitians are refugees. Over 40,000 people have been arrested in the last twenty years and many of them were executed. Two thousand Haitian

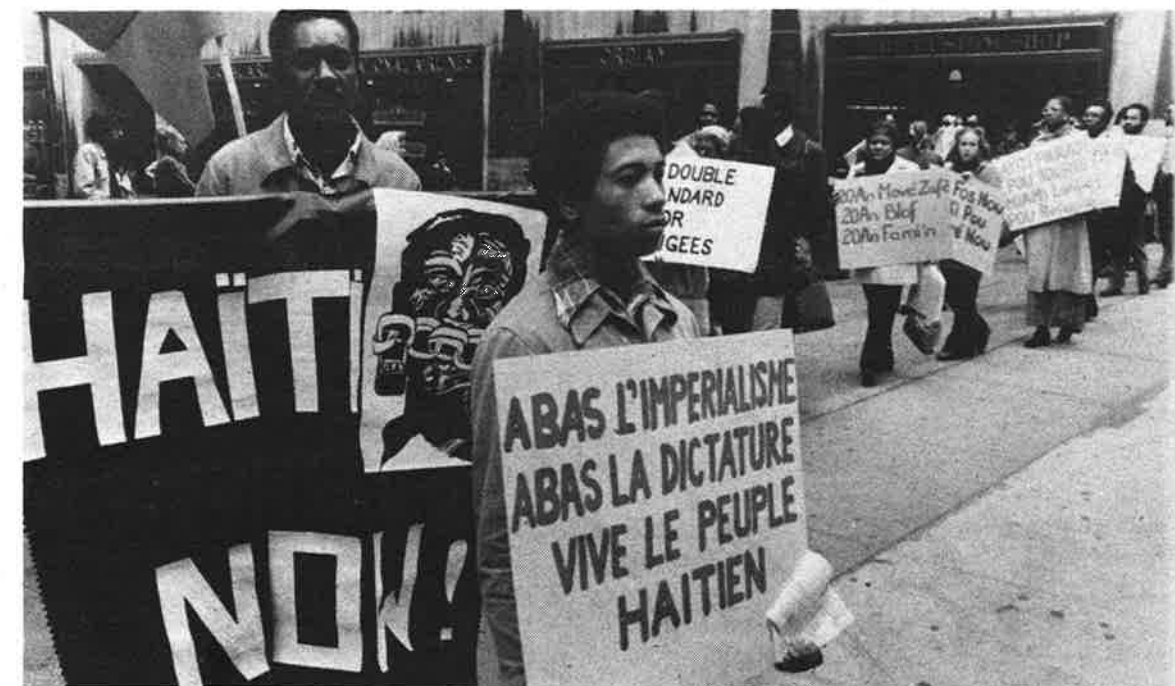
refugees in this country are asking for asylum.

ASYLUM FOR REFUGEES

The lunchtime demonstration at Rockefeller Center was very militant and spirited and drew about 75 people. Some North American groups participated in it, including Youth Against War & Fascism. The main chant was "Haiti: Paradise for tourists, hell for Haitians!" Many signs and chants in English, French and Patois, Haiti's national language, called for asylum for refugees, an end to all U.S. aid, an end to political repression, and to the Duvaliers.

The demonstration at the Haitian consulate started at 3p.m. and lasted for three hours. It drew at least 150 people. The thousands of commuters going into Grand Central Station or traveling along 42nd St. heard the Duvaliers and their U.S. backers denounced and indicted.

As a woman from another Caribbean island told *Workers World*, "Everybody on those lines is risking their lives and the lives of their family. The Duvaliers make a practice of killing their opponents."



Demonstrators in New York's Rockefeller Center on Sept. 22 call for an end to the 20-year-old Duvalier dictatorship in Haiti and an end to U.S. aid to his repressive regime. WW photo: Gregory Dunkel

At Geneva conference

Native peoples denounce U.S. imperialism

By DIANE FEINBERG

NEW YORK, Sept. 23—"We live in the belly of the monster and the monster is the United States of America," said Russell Means, speaking on the opening day of a historic four-day conference held in Geneva, Switzerland that ended today.

Means is one of the 48 delegates from 20 countries in North, Central, and South America who traveled to Geneva to attend the Conference on Discrimination Against Indigenous Populations of the Americas sponsored by the Non-Governmental Organizations Subcommittee on Racism, Decolonization and Apartheid.

While the U.S. press was not eager to give the conference wide coverage, Tass, the official Soviet news agency, gave extensive coverage to the internationally important event, running a lengthy dispatch from Geneva.

Russell Means has indicated that he and a group of Native people will visit East European countries following the close of the Geneva conference to seek support against "foreign occupation."

In Geneva, Native delegates assailed Carter's trumpeting of "human rights," which has resounded hollowly around this hemisphere. Means, one of the main speakers at the conference, denounced Carter as a racist saying "How can he talk about human rights the world over when my people are suffering planned genocide?"

A delegate from Panama, Jose Mendoza-Acosta, said discrimination against Indians in Central America is practiced daily.

A Native delegate from a nation surrounded by the Canadian state said life for Native people in his homeland has been "crippled."

DOCUMENTATION OF U.S. GENOCIDE

U.S. diplomats used the "human rights" violations ploy to attack the Soviet Union at the Belgrade conference this summer. At the same time, Jimmie Durham, the director of the International Treaty Council, took evidence of the brutal treatment of native peoples in the U.S. to the Soviet mission so that the U.S. government's ploy could be exposed.

The decision to provide the Soviet officials with documentation became known when 500 members of the International Treaty Council gathered on the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation in South Dakota in June to prepare for this week's conference in Geneva, Switzerland.

Delegates submitted a thousand pages of proof of U.S. colonial policy at the international gathering. The delegates included Russell Means, Oglala Headmen; Sioux Chief Frank Fools Crow; Chiefs of the Six Nations of the Iroquois; Marie Sanchez, Northern Cheyenne Tribal Judge; Hopi Elders; and Phillip Deere, Creek from Oklahoma.

This evidence documented the extreme conditions of poverty which Indian people are subjected to both on reservations and in urban areas. Indian unemployment has reached a staggering 70%.

Evidence of the exploitation of natural resources on Native lands was highlighted by Mean's exposure of U.S. government plans to strip mine the Black Hills of the Dakotas beginning in 1984.

Native representatives at the

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Workers World Party and Youth Against War & Fascism are organizing and responsible for many of the struggles you read about in the pages of this paper. These groups are made up of women and men, Black, white, Latin, Asian, and Native American, young and old, straight and gay, working, students, and unemployed, who fight on all the issues that face the working class and oppressed peoples in this capitalist society.

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—Camp Pendleton 14

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spoke of Kahli, another Black Brother and a plaintiff in the anti-KKK suit, who is still in prison. Khali has been singled out after the recent Napanoch rebellion and faces charges stemming from it.

The last speaker was Marty Dixon, a Black Marine framed-up on charges stemming from a GI rebellion in south Korea.

He spoke of the KKK in the military. He said that when Black GIs where he was stationed tried to bring the information to the attention of the brass, the brass wouldn't listen.

In every base where Black

Brothers are trying to expose and deal with racism in the military, they were framed-up, he added.

Dixon ended by saying, "If the Camp Pendleton 14 aren't freed today, there'll be a Camp Pendleton 14 to deal with tomorrow. We've got to stop it now, so there won't be more."

Today's demonstration was called by Youth Against War & Fascism and Military & Veterans Action Committee.

Among the more than 20 sponsors of the action were: Committee to Free the Five Puerto Rican Nationalist Prisoners, International Indian Treaty Council, John Brown Anti-Klan Collective, William Kunstler, National Conference of Black Lawyers, Pan African Students Organization in the Americas (PASOA), Prisoners Solidarity Committee, Puerto Rican Socialist Party.

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—Victims of CIA

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prosecute any CIA director, let alone the U.S. presidents like Nixon, Ford, and Carter, who were their immediate superiors. This is in spite of plenty of evidence about the illegal purchase and use of drugs, as well as the known death of Frank Olsen, who committed suicide under the influence of LSD which the CIA put in his drink without his knowledge. Nor has any government official ever been prosecuted for purchasing, transporting and selling thousands of pounds of heroin from Indochina to the U.S. during the Vietnam War.

This is in contrast to the treatment received by people like Lee Otis Johnson. Johnson was a Black civil rights leader who opposed the Viet Nam War in the sixties. In order to silence him, government agents planted two marijuana cigarettes in his home. He was convicted of drug possession and sentenced to 30 years in jail. Lee Otis Johnson is still in jail after a series of frame-up charges that followed the first. Thousands of other progressives and movement activists have been framed and jailed on phony drug charges. And literally millions of people have been jailed in recent years because they have used drugs to escape the desperate conditions of their lives.

The disclosures about the CIA and the Drug Enforcement Administration activities show that this government has as much contempt for its own laws as it has contempt for the poor and working people who are forced to live under them.

—Satellite killer

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is determined to complete a SALT II pact "in the near future." And the U.S. has stated that it intends to observe the current strategic arms agreement after its Oct. 3 deadline. This has been coupled with a unified campaign in the bourgeois press to present the U.S. government's position as "interested in curtailing arms," "peaceful," and "moving in the right direction."

Yet, this latest "satellite killer" is an open violation of the SALT agreement! In the 1972 treaty, the U.S. agreed not to build weapons that would interfere with "national technical means of verification"—meaning satellites. In addition, the 1967 outer space treaty between the U.S. and the USSR prohibits putting in orbit any objects "carrying nuclear weapons or any other kinds of weapons of mass destruction."

OPEN PROVOCATION

The announcement of this new weapon is an open provocation to the Soviet Union. It shows that Carter has absolutely no intention of curbing strategic arms buildup or of coming to any meaningful agreement on restricting weapons systems.

It was the U.S. which was responsible, in the first place, for the inability to arrive at a new SALT II agreement by its belligerent refusal to curb the cruise missile, a nuclear missile designed to be launched from aircraft and fly at subsonic speeds at very low altitudes.

The Sept. 28 New York Times carries an op-editorial by David Linebaugh, a former deputy assistant director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, who points to the Carter administration as responsible for the

POLITICAL PRISONERS



Maryland Pen Five denied damages

By DOUG LAWSON

BALTIMORE, Sept. 24—Today, an all-white jury here denied damages to five Black prisoners in a Federal lawsuit arising from brutal beatings that took place on the evening of July 12, 1973.

On that night, Eddie Conway, Robert Falkes, Robert "Frog" Austin, Clifton Wiggins and Thomas "Taharka" Gaither were nearly beaten to death in an assault planned and directed by Assistant Warden McLindsey Hawkins.

The pretext was the stabbing of guard J.O. Johnson, known for his brutality against prisoners, but the real reason for the beatings was that all five were members of the Maryland Penitentiary Intercommunal Survival Collective (MPISC).

The prisoners, who became known as the Maryland Pen Five suffered extensive injuries. Eddie Conway sustained a compound fracture of the jaw and a broken collarbone that required surgery; Taharka, a broken wrist and finger; Robert Foulkes, a broken hand; Clifton Wiggins, severe head injuries. The guard who beat Robert Austin went berserk and had to be dragged away and given a sedative. All were bleeding profusely from the head and body; all five required hospital treatment.

PRISON SYSTEM ON TRIAL

The Five, and other members of the MPISC, have a long history of resistance to the inhuman and racist prison system. They filed a \$17.5 million lawsuit against Warden Hawkins, former warden Gerald McClellan, and six guards. These

courageous brothers took the offensive and put the prison system on trial.

The facts in the suit were clearly in the brothers' favor—the injuries were well documented, and impartial witnesses established the truth of the prisoners' claims. The prison officials and guards were on the defensive. Every single witness on their side was caught in a web of falsehood—false reports, contradictory testimony, and outright lies were well exposed by

the plaintiffs' (prisoners') lawyers Mardy Walker and Frank Morgan. In fact, the defendants' (prison officials') attorney Henry J. Frankel, began his summation by asking the jury not to award too much in damages! He then launched into a highly charged, thinly concealed appeal to the jurors' racism. After a day-and-a-half of deliberations the all-white jury awarded no damages.

The jury's decision was aided by Judge Edward Northrop's outright contempt for the

prisoners and their attorneys. At one point during the plaintiffs' presentation, this "guardian of the public order" fell asleep in court and began snoring!

Despite the outcome of the suit, the poor and oppressed who followed the case clearly felt that the Five had put the system on trial. The families and friends, prisoners, ex-prisoners, and supporters have their own verdict for Warden Hawkins and his brutal underlings—"guilty as charged!"

Assata Shakur wins right to attend hearing

By MARIE LEO

NEW YORK, Sept. 21—Pre-trial hearings began here today in a sixth attempt by the state to persecute and harass Black activist Assata Shakur.

In the years since her arrest in 1973, following a New Jersey Turnpike shoot-out by state troopers, the state has tried to charge Shakur with every "crime" a woman was involved in. The first four trials resulted in three acquittals and in the fourth the charges were dropped.

This current pre-trial hearing is viewed as an attempt to keep Shakur from working on her appeal of a conviction resulting from her fifth trial in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

An all-white New Brunswick jury found Shakur guilty of murdering a state trooper and her own comrade despite the admission by the only state trooper witness that he had

fabricated a story of her holding a gun. Physicians called as expert witnesses testified that in reality, troopers shot Shakur while her hands were in the air. She was sentenced to life in prison plus four additional sentences.

BACK TO COURT

After four years of confinement—mostly in solitary—without light or exercise; being held illegally in men's prisons without privacy and brought to five trials in chains, the state is bringing her to trial again on charges of murder that stem from a shooting in a Brooklyn social club robbery over five years ago.

Pre-trial hearings on this charge began today with 45 supporters present in the courtroom. Evelyn Williams, representing Shakur made two appeals.

The first appeal demanded that Shakur be allowed a medical examination by a physician of

her choice. She was given an exam by a prison doctor who told her there were complications but was not specific. She requested a second consultation and was denied that right. The appeal will be reviewed this week and the decision will be made on Sept. 28.

The second appeal was that Assata Shakur be allowed to be present in court for the hearings. The racist judge tried to deny the appeal and ordered the courtroom cleared. Evelyn Williams and the supporters were outraged and demanded the right to be present. That right was finally granted contingent upon everyone in the courtroom being subjected to a second frisk shakedown. Following this, the hearings resumed with Shakur present.

Shortly afterward the hearing was postponed and rescheduled for Oct. 3 at the Brooklyn Supreme Court, 9th floor. All out for Assata Shakur October 3!

Letter warns of racist climate at Stateville Prison

I have been a strong supporter of **Workers World** for a couple of years. I have worked with Youth Against War & Fascism (YAWF) in Norfolk, Va. I am a profound Marxist.

The reason for this letter is to inform you of a crisis that has developed here at Stateville torture camp. This is the meanest—or should I say, the center control of racism and brutality for the entire penal system of Illinois. Racism is the order of the day in the Stateville concentration camp.

There is a situation here much like the situation that Comrade George (Jackson) was confronted with before his murder. The Stateville pigs are trying to send four brothers to the chair for a bullshit murder that transpired on Jan. 10.

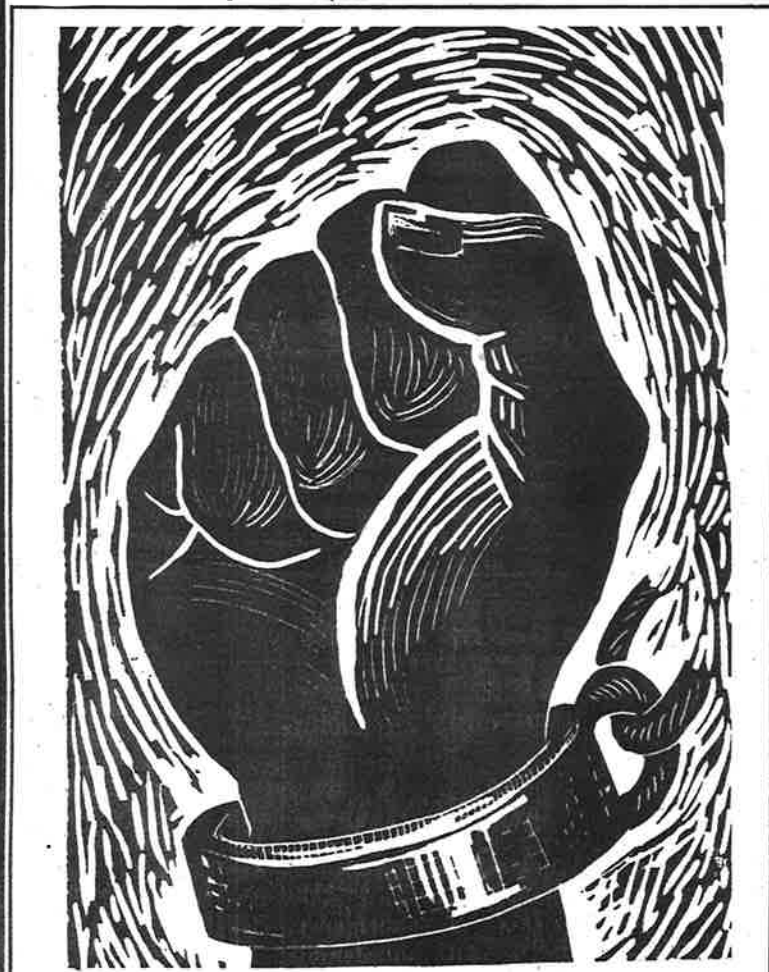
A fascist was killed in one of the cell houses. When the smoke cleared they picked four brothers

out of 2,000 prisoners and gave them the murder. Most of them weren't in the cell house where the murder took place. The Stateville power structure claims that they (four prisoners) ordered the pig dead.

To get a better insight into the circumstances surrounding the bullshit conspiracy, you can contact one of the victims of the conspiracy. His name is Thomas Blair, his number is 01367, his address is the same as mine.

They need support. Without support the system will definitely convict them. I am hoping there is something that you and the others can do for my comrades. I will remain a comrade of the struggle until there is no struggle.

Peace,
Comrade Wanshi
Box 112
Joliet, Ill. 60434



collapse of SALT.

Linebaugh notes that the U.S. position would "permit a vast expansion in American arms through the deployment of cruise missiles." He further adds that "according to statements by Secretary of Defense Harold Brown, 250 B-52 bombers could be armed with up to 5,000 cruise missiles—or more American nuclear weapons of this one type than the total number of the

Russians' nuclear weapons in their entire strategic arsenal."

The U.S. is not stopping production of the cruise missile and it has added to the list the "killer satellite." No worker should be under any illusion concerning Carter's peace demagoguery. As the famous poet Bertolt Brecht once wrote, "When the leaders curse war, the mobilization order is already written out."



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Police protect 20 uniformed fascists in Milwaukee

Anti-racists again drown out Nazi rally

By JEFF KANNEL
MILWAUKEE, Sept. 25—For the second time in less than a month, hundreds of Black, Latin, Native American, and white people turned out to demonstrate their opposition to the presence of the Nazi Party in Milwaukee.

Organized by the Emergency Committee Against Nazis and Racism, today 400 people marched to the site of the Nazis' second "white power anti-busing rally" in Jackson Park on this city's South Side.

A militant picket line was set up outside the ring of 150 riot-equipped cops who were protecting the 20 uniformed Nazis. The Nazis paraded speaker after speaker to the podium but, as was the case at their rally last month in Humboldt Park, the racists had virtually no audience listening to them.

DESEGREGATION PLAN ATTACKED

The Nazis had planned their rallies in hopes of inciting and exploiting a racist reaction against the Milwaukee school desegregation plan. As racist and fascist groups have done in Boston, Louisville, and other cities in past years, the Nazis wanted to use the busing issue to provoke race violence and hatred in the schools, and to build a political base for their vile white supremacist ideology. Their activities are a direct threat to the safety of Black, Latin, and Native American school children.

Their plans did not work out, however, for two reasons. Mass reaction against busing among whites did not materialize, due in large part to the fact that the school board's busing plan places most of the busing burden on Black children. Secondly, the success of the anti-Nazi mobilizations made it clear that any effort by the Nazis or any group to use busing to whip up a

racist hysteria would be strongly opposed right from the start.

The Emergency Committee is one of the broadest coalitions seen here in many years. It is composed of over thirty labor, community, religious, and political groups, including Concerned Jewish Citizens, Vietnam Vets Against the War, Youth Against War & Fascism, the Commandos, People United for Integration and Quality Education, and the Socialist Party. Beginning as a strictly anti-Nazi coalition, its focus was broadened to take a stand against all forms of racism. The ranks of the demonstrators were strengthened by the addition of women's and lesbian contingents.

The Committee was also united on the need for taking militant action against the Nazis. Throughout the two hours, the demonstrators drowned out the Nazi speakers with chants which included, "The people say NO, the Nazis gotta go," and "Nazis and the Klan are scum of the land." The demonstrators carried many banners and signs, and fifty flags saying "Say NO to racism," and "Smash the Nazis."

Two demonstrators were arrested near the end of the afternoon for throwing objects at the Nazi soundtruck.

POLICE PROTECT NAZIS

The police played an aggressive role in protecting the Nazis. Besides the 150 cops who directly protected them, a large contingent of plainclothes cops attempted to join the demonstrators, some even carrying signs and banners. The uniformed cops harassed people with cameras, especially those taking pictures of police.

Several days before the demonstration a man identifying himself as a Nazi physically attacked anti-Nazi leafletters at a food store. After the



A broad coalition of over 30 political, religious, and community groups demonstrated against the Nazis in Milwaukee.
WW photo

attack, he also identified himself as a police officer. At yesterday's demonstration, he was in uniform—a police uniform—defending the Nazis.

Following their two unsuccessful rallies, the Nazis have no further plans for public gatherings this fall, but they pledged to return next fall and try again to provoke a racist reaction to the school desegregation plan.

Following two successful anti-Nazi, anti-racist counter-demonstrations, members of the Emergency Committee pledged to return wherever the Nazis appear to prevent them from building a base and to prevent the spread of their philosophy of racism and genocide.

—Philippines

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with dramatic gains this past year in both the urban and rural resistance.

Many large demonstrations have taken place in Manila for the first time under martial law. Protesters face water hoses, police attack and arrest at these "illegal" gatherings. An extensive underground of organizations like the Association of Filipino Workers are leading the many struggles and strikes.

More than 200,000 university students have organized a boycott against a tuition increase, and are demanding the removal of all troops and spies of the Armed Forces from the campuses, an end to student arrests, and restoration of free student councils.

The New Peoples Army (NPA) in their ninth year of armed struggle, have extended their control to 20

guerrilla zones established in all eight regions of the country. In addition, this past week Marcos broke a ceasefire with the Moro National Liberation Front, representing an oppressed Muslim minority, with heavy fighting and casualties reported.

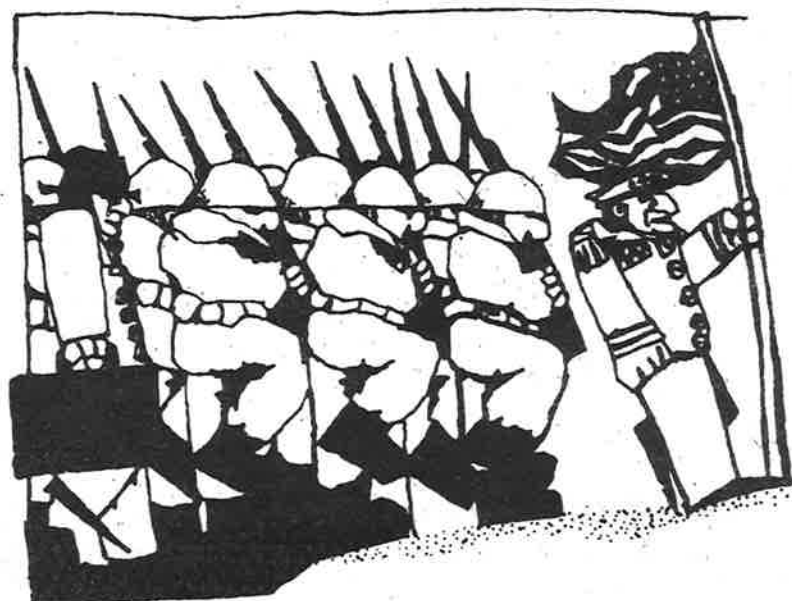
Three million people have been victimized by the Philippine military's operations against the NPA, in their futile attempt to deny the guerrillas a base. Relocation camps have been set up, Vietnam style, with U.S. military assistance.

Contrary to Marcos' declarations, five years of martial law have not meant economic advancement or political stability. Instead, Marcos faces deteriorating economic conditions, political isolation, and worker and peasant resistance.



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For the second time in less than a month hundreds gathered in Milwaukee to denounce the Nazi Party.





Worried workers leave Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company's Campbell plant. The company has shut down this plant, throwing 5,000 workers off the job, virtually condemning the Mahoning Valley to economic death, because the company's profits were not high enough.

—Profit-mad steel barons

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reversal of environmental laws, or anything else they can extort.

But Carter's job is to serve the interests of the ruling class overall, not just the special immediate interests of the dynasties such as the Mellons that dominate steel. Blocking Japanese steel would be a major escalation of the growing trade war between the imperialist rivals. It would force the Japanese to retaliate against other U.S. industries, and would most likely push the Japanese into a closer alliance with the West European imperialists against the U.S.

CARTER RUNS AWAY

And if the steel bosses thought they could move Carter by ruining the lives of thousands of workers, they made a big mistake. For all the flips and flops of his administration,

he has certainly been consistent in disregarding the needs of poor and working people.

Instead of going to Youngstown, Johnstown, or Lackawanna, to give the appearance of dealing with this crisis for the thousands of steelworkers, Carter is on his way preparing to go on a headline-grabbing world tour. After the Lance affair, and now these layoffs, which signal a major downturn in the economy, "Jimmy" has decided the best place to be is somewhere else.

But even if Carter wanted to, he couldn't reverse the deep economic crisis which is at the root of the layoffs. This is because the crisis has grown out of the built-in nature of the capitalist system, in which production is based on profit instead of human need. The steel is needed, to rebuild the decaying cities, towns, schools, railroads, to help develop the countries ravaged by imperialism, and that steel will be used when it's taken from the capitalist class and put under the control of the working class.

McBride backs bosses on imports issue

The steel corporations have convinced that would-be leader of labor, Lloyd McBride, president of the United Steel Workers, to start a "rank and file" campaign to stop steel imports.

McBride didn't take much convincing.

Regardless of the merits of the question itself this is a slick dodge to get out of a fight—too slick for McBride to think of himself.

So the bosses thought it up for him.

It's a boss's argument—really an argument **between** the bosses.

And it is meant to hog-tie the steel workers of this country and line them up in an endless debate between one section of American

capitalism and another over the question of a phony capitalist "free trade" versus an equally phony and just as disastrous protectionism.

The steel workers can only get out of this straightjacket by turning their guns away from foreign imports and pointing them straight at the whites of the eyes of their native bosses.

The steel workers can only keep their job by demanding that the plants stay open, by keeping them open, and by producing steel for all the people who need it without regard for the profit-hungry steel-owning parasites who never saw the inside of a steel plant and don't know how to keep one working.

—Steel town

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happiness.

And the truth is self-evident that the only reasonable action to take is to preserve the jobs of the community by operating the shut-down plants under community control.

Furthermore, in the belief that there is a great need for steel in the field of hospital and school construction, in addition to a hundred-billion-dollar low-cost housing

program which could pay for itself if the government made the initial investment, the communities could add to their Declaration the well-known fact that the whole world is as hungry for steel as it is for food.

A simple thing like a garbage can for each of a billion families, including many right here in the United States, would take over five million tons of steel, for example.

But such a Declaration would

