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I'M FIRED UP...WON'T

TAKE IT NO MORE!! was the militant slogan of some 2000 people, largely Afro-American, who stormed across

Manhattan Bridge to demonstrate their determination to stop the bourgeoisie's Killer Cops.

2,000 Demonstrate & Rally Against KILLER COPS!

...The triumphant rally by the Black United Front in front of Manhattan's City Hall was deeply positive. It saw a diversity of anti-imperialist and progressive forces all focused on the racist Koch regime in protest against the plath out murder of Blacks by New York's Killer Cops, as well as the vigilante tactics of the Hassidic Jews (a backward religious cult in Brooklyn).

...As the thousands of people surged across the Manhattan Bridge coming from Brooklyn chanting, "We're Fired Up! Wont Take It No More!", you could see the rings of policemen surrounding the city hall by the hundreds tighten up and cold fear dance in their eyes. Now they were facing the people, and deep down they realize that when the real shit gets on they stand no chance at all, but will be blown away like a bad odor by a strong invincible wind.

...People in the streets could also sense

this feeling of their own strength as the marchers approached and many balled up their fists and shot them in the air, or fell right in step with the rest of the marchers. The huge line (about 5000) swelled even larger as many spectators and people who were waiting at the city hall joined in.

After ringing the city hall in a gigantic moving perimeter, thundering the militant slogan, "We're Fired Up! Wont Take It No More", the leaders of the march confronted the police in front of City Hall grounds, demanding that the racist liberal pervert Koch admit them and come and speak to the people. Of course RLP Koch would do no such thing, his "dealings" with black people as with all the people comes only through carefully chosen flunky- lackies who tapdance to his anti-people tunes.

...However it is good that the people
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NEWARK CRISIS: typical of capitalism's urban policy

The people of Newark are finding out again that even with a "black" mayor, their problems continue to worsen. In fact, Mayor Kenneth Gibson is the perfect mouthpiece for this degenerating capitalist system, since if he tells the almost 1800 city workers, school employees, cafeteria workers, security guards, teachers aides, crossing guards, art, music, home economics, physical education teachers that they are being laid off then he should not be called a racist, such as New York's Mayor Ed Koch. However, what is so slick is that the bourgeoisie can run the same racist discriminatory lines through the mouth of a good colored "boy".

Principally these layoffs are the results of the defeats capitalism is suffering all over the world. The United

States is in sharp decline, as it has been since its defeat in the Viet Nam war, plus it is in sharp contention with the other superpower, the Soviet Social Imperialists, as to who will control the world. The bourgeoisie must put the weight of its losses onto the backs of the people of the U.S., where formerly some of that weight was less due to the super profits U.S. imperialism could get out of the Third World, i.e., Africa, Asia, Latin America. Now everyday U.S. imperialism takes a backward step, and in order for Rockefeller and Co. to maintain Maximum Profit, which is the by-word of monopoly capitalism, they must more and more severely attack the U.S. working class. And also hit hardest by any onslaught against the working class are the oppressed nationalities. It is not

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CHINA / U.S. Normalize Relations

On December 15, 1978 it was simultaneously announced by Comrade Hua Kuofeng, Chairman of the Communist Party of China and Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China and by Jimmy Carter, the President of the United States, that as of January 1, 1979 the U.S. and the People's Republic of China would formally recognize one another.

This is a positive development which is of great value to the people of all countries.

It opens the way to full, friendly relations between the people of the U.S. and the people of China and puts an end to the abnormal thirty year period of separation between the two peoples. This separation has been due to the aggressive stand of U.S. imperialism towards People's China.

Normalization makes clear that Taiwan must be reunited with the Chinese Mainland under its legitimate government, that of the People's Republic. It is a blow against the U.S. policy of meddling in the internal affairs of other countries to keep them divided, as in Korea and Germany.

The Soviet Union is unhappy with this development. China is the most determined opponent of the social imperialist policy of hegemony. Therefore

the Soviet revisionist rulers try to keep China isolated internationally.

However, 1978 witnessed Premier Hua's visit to Romania, Yugoslavia and Iran and the signing of the China-Japan Treaty of Peace and Friendship, as well as the announcement of U.S.-China normalization. These triumphs of Chinese diplomacy show that neither superpower can deny China its rightful place in the world.

The basis for these advances is the fact that China is a socialist country. The rulers of China are the workers and peasants, the masses of the ordinary people. In every country the masses of the people have the same interests and needs. For this reason China takes stands and puts forth policies which meet the approval of the peoples of all countries. No imperialists or reactionaries of any type can go against the people's will for a long time. China's progress in world affairs is therefore of tremendous importance everywhere to the cause of the working class, revolution and socialism.

On January 1, thousands of people of all nationalities, but predominantly Chinese Americans, marched in New York and San Francisco's Chinatown districts in support of the normalization of relations.

ATM & IWK

ATM & IWK UNITE TO FORM LRS = TAKE IMPORTANT STEP TOWARD PARTY!!!

On September 11 the League for Revolutionary Struggle released a press statement. It began:

"The LRS upholds the necessity for further struggle among Marxist-Leninists to form a communist party in the U.S. upon the basis of a correct Marxist-Leninist line." The statement also says that, "The central task of the League is to form a single, vanguard party."

ATM and IWK, together with the Communist Party Marxist-Leninist (CPML), had previously started efforts to form the Committee to Unite Marxist-Leninists (CUML). [For Rcl's response to the formation of the CUML, see Editorial, U&S, Sept-Oct. 1978 issue! The League will continue in this work. The League is also publishing a monthly newspaper called UNITY.

In the September issue of UNITY, self-criticism by both previous organizations was done. An article headlined "League of Revolutionary Struggle (M-L) Founded" said:

IWK's main error was narrowness in its work. It downplayed the role it should have played in waging an active
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In January, the Shah of Iran was driven into exile by a gigantic and sustained popular upheaval.

IRAN

The United States put him in power in 1954. The U.S. imperialists sold him arms, trained his secret police, and made him their watchdog in the Arab World. They thought this made him strong.

Instead, it made the Shah weak. In the end he represented no one but the U.S. The people of Iran would no longer put up with him and his repressive government. It is the people who are really strong, and today the Shah is on the junk heap of history, along with other reactionaries and enemies of the people. Nothing that the U.S., the USSR, or any other imperialists can do will restore him or any other reactionaries or enemies of the people.

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SOVIET SOCIAL IMPERIALISM—A Growing Menace!!

...The Soviet Union in 1917 was established as a socialist state under the dictatorship of the proletariat. The masses of Russian people after making socialist revolution were then engaged in socialist construction and building a better life for themselves at a tremendous rate. However, in the late 1950s under the leadership of Nikita Khrushchov and a renegade revisionist clique, state power and the means of production were seized and capitalism and imperialism were gradually restored. The USSR now new to the global imperialist feast, and because it is at a much lower level economically than the other superpower, U.S.A., is more aggressive. Soviet social imperialism is instigating local wars and seizing territory with the same purpose as that of all imperialists, WORLD DOMINATION. Acts of this nature can be clearly seen through the use of Soviet Union-backed Cuban troops in countries like Somalia, Ethiopia, Zaire and Angola; and to threaten others like Egypt and Sudan. An example of this was laid out in Peking Review No. 21 (May 26, 1978). "It is clear that the nearly 30,000 fully armed Soviet and Cuban combat troops stationed in Angola are endangering the Angolan people and threatening the independence and security of neighbouring countries. Since these mercenaries invading Zaire today are fostered by them, Soviet Social Imperialism is the chief criminal responsible for the new invasion of Shaba Province and its accomplice is Cuba,

which flaunts the banner of non-alignment. These are facts which cannot be obscured by any Soviet propaganda." "...Cuba is the 'armed fist' of the Kremlin in Africa today. Its sham policy of non-alignment can be seen in its intervention in Africa which clearly exceeds the limits tolerated by the camp of non-aligned countries. The Soviet Union, playing the role of 'good will ambassador' and supplying economic aid to Cuba has ultimately caused economic integration between Cuba and the Soviet Union. This economic integration has caused Cuba to accumulate debts by making LOANS and accepting aid from the Soviet Union. The Cuban people have been forced to repay these debts by peddling Soviet Social Imperialism throughout the world and undermining the struggles of the worlds people against imperialism and hegemonism. Cuba's intervention and penetration in various parts of the world are an indispensable part of the Soviet Union's strategy for expansion abroad." (PR No. 28, July 14, 1978.)

In the Horn of Africa, the USSR has also stepped up its intervention as a part of its struggle for world domination. By gaining control of the Red Sea, the USSR could use this to threaten Egypt and Sudan. The goal of Soviet Social Imperialism is to establish a base (by using the strategic waterways of the Red Sea) to watch over the oil states, as it will face a shortage in its oil resources towards the 1980s. In order for the Soviet Union to prepare for

a new World War, it is important for them to build up a network of military bases to complete its global strategy. In Southeast Asia the Soviet Union is also trying to add military bases by instigating the border conflict between Kampuchea and Viet Nam. The Soviet Union accused the Chinese of having military advisors taking part in the military actions of the Kampuchean side and at the same time accusing the Chinese people of interfering in the internal affairs of Vietnam. This is pure slander, and shows how effective the Soviet Union propaganda machine is in whipping up ill feelings between China and Vietnam.

The expulsion of hundreds of thousands Chinese nationals, by the government of Vietnam, was instigated by the Soviet Union in its quest to seek world dominance. The Soviet Union has gone so far as to call the overseas Chinese "enemies" of Vietnam and in doing this, openly supported the persecution of these Chinese nationals. All these activities clearly demonstrate the Soviet Social Imperialists are the behind-the-scene provocateurs and the supporters of the Vietnamese authorities in ostracizing Chinese residents and attacking China. The Chinese and Vietnamese people have a long tradition of friendship.

It was Chairman Mao Tsetung and President Ho Chi Minh who personally nurtured this profound friendship between the Chinese and Vietnamese people during their life time. Through these deep roots that have grown between the Chinese and Vietnamese people, sympathy has been shown and help given by many Vietnamese people who are totally against the expulsion of Chinese residents. It is not the will of the Vietnam masses that the Chinese residents be expelled but the will

of the Vietnamese government who sees the Soviet Union as a "Socialist country", thereby accepting aid from them in an opportunistic fashion and adhering to the policy of the Chinese are the "enemies" of the people of Vietnam. True socialist countries must remember how to solve contradictions among the people, which should not be antagonistic but to develop a relationship of friendship, mutual assistance and cooperation among other socialist countries based on Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought.

Newark Crisis cont'd

coincidence that the budget cuts, layoffs, cutbacks in social services are most severe where Afro-Americans, Puerto Ricans, Chicanos, Asian-Americans and Native Americans live. But white working class areas are also harassed, limited and defunded.

Ironically, Gibson did such a good job carrying out an oppressive municipal program that the city had a 9 million dollar surplus (in a city that looks always like it is in a war!) but that money cannot be used to solve Newark's fiscal problems since New Jersey has a CAPS law, which says no community may raise its spending by more than 5 percent. This is supposedly so the rich communities which surround the Newark of New Jersey will not be too much advanced because of their ability to spend more money, since they have more coming in. But that is just it, the people in those rich suburbs already have the tax base, income, and facilities, while the inner cities have none of these. [

Demonstration after demonstration has been staged to press the point that the people will not accept these layoffs and the rapid erosion of an already inferior school system and municipal services. 2,000 people marched around Prudential Life Insurance building, chanting "All Work or None Work". (Prudential, the largest insurance company in the world, owns New Jersey.) Thousands more went to Trenton, the capital and charged into the State Board of Education to confront Commissioner Burke and his Board. The Board first pledged (while the people were there) to go into Newark and investigate the situation. The next day they reversed themselves! Students from several schools picketed in front of City Hall, and demanded audience with the Superintendent of Schools, and Board of Education.

Like Gibson, Newark also has two other outstandingly reactionary civil servants, Superintendent of Schools Kitrells, and Board of Education President Carl Sharif (who some parents call "Sheriff") mouthing the bourgeoisie's negative policies in the central cities. Sharif went so far as to say that it was goo that the aides were getting fired, because they injured the children with their "broken english". (The aides are, in the main, the parents of the children in these schools.)

The courts ruled most recently that since the Newark Board of Education passed the layoff bill in private it is a violation of the state's "Sunshine Law" which says that all meetings of the various agencies must be open to the public, a law resulting from the struggles of the '60s. So that temporarily, the layoffs are delayed. But Gibson, Sharif and Co. are loyal servants of the bourgeoisie, so they will raise these layoffs, and the people must unite to oppose them.

THE WORKERS, PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND STUDENTS MUST FORM A FIRM COALITION OF STRUGGLE AGAINST THE IMPERIALIST LAYOFFS!!!



3 Types of Countries in Relation to Self-Determination of Nations!

by V. I. Lenin

THREE TYPES OF COUNTRIES....

In this respect, countries must be divided into three main types:

First, the advanced capitalist countries of Western Europe and the United States of America. In these countries the bourgeois, progressive, national movements came to an end long ago. Every one of these "great" nations oppresses other nations in the colonies and within its own country. The tasks of the proletariat of these ruling nations are the same as those of the proletariat in England in the nineteenth century in relation to Ireland.*

Secondly, Eastern Europe: Austria, the Balkans and particularly Russia. Here it was the twentieth century that particularly developed the bourgeois-democratic national movements and intensified the national struggle. The tasks of the proletariat in these countries—in regard to the consummation of their bourgeois-democratic reformation, as well as in regard to assisting the socialist revolution in other countries—cannot be achieved unless it champions the right of nations to self-determination. In this connection the most difficult but most important task is to merge the class struggle of the workers in the oppressing nations with the class struggle of the workers in the oppressed nations.

Thirdly, the semi-colonial countries, like China, Persia, Turkey, and all the colonies, which have a combined popu-

lation amounting to a billion. In these countries the bourgeois-democratic movements have either hardly begun, or are far from having been completed. Socialists must not only demand the unconditional and immediate liberation of the colonies without compensation—and this demand in its political expression signified nothing more nor less than the recognition of the right to self-determination—but must render determined support to the more revolutionary elements in the bourgeois-democratic movements for national liberation in these countries and assist their rebellion—and if need be, their revolutionary war—AGAINST the imperialist powers that oppress them.

*In some small states which have remained out of the war of 1914-16—for example, Holland and Switzerland—the bourgeoisie strongly urges the slogan "self-determination of nations" to justify participation in the imperialist war. This is one of the motives that induces the Social-Democrats in such countries to repudiate self-determination. In this case the correct proletarian policy, namely, the repudiation of "defence of the fatherland" in an IMPERIALIST war is defended by wrong arguments. What results is a distortion of Marxian theory, while in practice we have a peculiar small-nation narrow-mindedness, which forgets about the HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS of the population of nations that are enslaved by the "Great Power" nations. Com-

rade Horter, in his excellent pamphlet **IMPERIALISM, THE WAR AND SOCIAL-DEMOCRACY**, wrongly rejects the principle of self-determination of nations, but correctly APPLIES it when he demands the IMMEDIATE granting of "political and NATIONAL independence" to the Dutch Indies and exposes the Dutch opportunists who refuse to put forward this demand and to fight for it.



WORKERS AND OPPRESSED NATIONS AND PEOPLES UNITE!

REVOLUTIONARY MOTION!!

ZIMBABWE

While Ian Smith and his running dog, Sithole toured U.S. cities attempting to drum up support for their bogus "transitional government", Rhodesian bombers attacked Patriotic Front bases in Zambia and Mozambique, reportedly killing upwards of 1500 Zimbabwean patriots.

This is indicative of imperialism's dual reactionary tactics of deception and force. While Smith and his traitorous cohorts preach peaceful transition to majority rule they attempt to annihilate the very forces who represent the majority. Clearly armed struggle is the only solution.

It was similar attacks 5 years ago that escalated the development of the Patriotic Front which is close to toppling the repressive Smith regime. No amount of false talks or raids can deter the Zimbabwean people's march on the road to freedom.

NAMIBIA

Western intervention with a "peace" plan for Namibia is only an attempt to forestall the inevitable victory of SWAPO forces in freeing the Namibian people from racist South Africa. The U.S. and its fellow imperialists, Britain, Canada, West Germany and France are primarily interested in their investments in one of Africa's most mineral-rich countries.

A peoples victory in Namibia will severely cut the superprofits these imperialists have been ripping off at the expense of the Namibian masses.

AZANIA

In response to the concrete situation in Azania and the OAU's call for the formation of a Patriotic Front, Pan Africanist Congress of Azania has begun meeting with delegates of the Black Consciousness Movement to discuss the development of a United Front. The Pan Africanist Congress (PAC) also sees the need to have ALL patriotic parties involved in this process.

In its recent Consultative Conference, PAC states, "...the national and not the class struggle is the primary contradiction in all colonial situations. And all people fighting colonialism are fighting imperialism whether they know it or not."

PAC's motion to aide in the development of a Patriotic Front with all forces who are struggling against colonialism imperialism upholds the Marxist-Leninist principle of revolution through stages. And this is the historically necessary step to further the advances of the Azanian masses against imperialism.

THE SOVIET UNION IS STARTING WORLD WAR 3!!!

The people of the world must resolutely and consistently oppose the gangster-like invasion of Kampuchea by the Vietnamese mercenaries of Soviet Social Imperialism. Viet Nam has become the Cuba of Asia, carrying forth its regional hegemonism in Southeast Asia in the same way as the Cubans are running amuck in Africa (as the Soviet Imperialists' "Foreign Legion", killing Angolans, Ethiopians, Eritreans and Somalis and not a South African or Israeli, yet!)

Viet Nam set up a phoney "Liberation Front" inside Kampuchea, composed of traitors and compradors, and has totally hitched its star to the ga-

laxy of Soviet Social Imperialism and its attempt to dominate the world. (And to do this the Soviet Union must fight a war with U.S. Imperialism!)

The Vietnamese invaders roared into Phomn Phenh, only to find it completely deserted. Where are the Kampuchean people? Ready to wage Peoples' War for a long time to come. Things turn into their opposite...now the Vietnamese must fight a long draining guerrilla war with the Kampuchians, from the same position as the U.S. imperialists once fought them. They should have learned that a small country can defeat a large one and a weak country a strong one, if the political line is correct. The Vietnamese mercenaries will find that they will pay with their lives for their adherence to Social Imperialism!

KAMPUCHEA

Using the front of a puppet "Cambodian National United Front", 13 divisions of Vietnamese troops have captured Phnom Penh and are now said to control the majority of Democratic Kampuchea.

Many people are asking why is "socialist" Vietnam attacking Socialist Cambodia? Why is "socialist" Vietnam carrying out aggressor imperialist actions on its neighbor? The answers to these questions are found in Vietnam's constitution and its November 3, 1978 treaty of "...friendship and cooperation" with the Soviet Union.

In Vietnam's constitution, they call for neighboring countries (Laos, Thailand, Cambodia, and other members of A.S.E.A.N.) to join an Indo-China Federation under the leadership and guidance of Vietnam and that Vietnam as well as other countries should recognize and join in alliance with the Soviet Union as the leading socialist country in the world building socialism.

The Vietnam/USSR treaty calls for mutual consultation and removal of any threat in case either country is attacked. Certainly no such treaty was signed when imperialist USA attacked Vietnam for 20 years, why now? The answer is simple. What the Vietnam/Soviet Union alliance failed to accomplish through diplomatic channels—that is Vietnam's leadership of an Indo-China Federation coopting the member countries of Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)—under the guise of Vietnam's "non-alignment", they will now accomplish through force, and Kampuchea is meant to be the first lesson.

The methods used by the Vietnam/USSR alliance in Kampuchea are the same as the Cuba/USSR tactics in Angola. First the purchase or manufacture of a national support group, then massive propaganda slandering the present government or anti-hegemonist forces to prepare for invasion. Along with massive propaganda comes massive arms and troops, and finally the onslaught. The problem for this new imperialist alliance is not militarily capturing cities, towns and provinces with superior arms, but capturing the hearts and minds of the people. The Kampuchean people have a long history of struggle against imperialism and other aggressors and they will continue to struggle until victory is theirs again.

Why did Lenin after W.W.1 Divide Countries into Three Groups?

Peking Review, No 6. 1978

Three-World Theory: Questions and Answers

...QUESTION: After World War I, why and how did Lenin divide the countries of the world into three different groups? What were the historical conditions prevailing at the time? What was the basic idea behind Lenin's differentiation?

...ANSWER by historian Sa Na: After the October Revolution in Russia and World War I, a profound change took place in the international situation and a new alignment of political forces emerged. In his report to the 2nd Congress of the Communist International in July 1920, Lenin, after an analysis of these changes, divided the countries of the world, which at that time had a total population of 1,750 million, into three different groups: the colonial, semi-colonial countries, the vanquished powers and Soviet Russia, countries having a population of roughly 1,250 million; countries that retained their old position, with a population not exceeding 250 million; and a few countries emerging victorious from the war, with a population of less than 250 million.

WHY WERE SOVIET RUSSIA, THE COLONIES, SEMI-COLONIES, AND DEFEATED COUNTRIES INCLUDED IN THE SAME CATEGORY?

...First, Lenin put countries like India, Persia, Turkey and China which were being enslaved and partitioned by imperialism, the defeated countries like Germany and Austria, and Soviet Russia all in the same category. This was because, from the viewpoint of international relations at that time, all these countries were being subjected to

enslavement and oppression by the imperialist powers and they constituted the main force in the struggle against imperialism.

...World War I had brought unbearable burdens and sufferings to the people of the colonies and semi-colonies; their contradiction with the imperialist powers became more acute than ever. Under the impact of the Russian October Revolution, these people were further awakened. In quite a number of countries, the working class and other labouring people, led by the nascent Communist Parties, began to engage in powerful anti-imperialist revolutionary movements. In China, India and other countries, revolution was in the making. In Persia and Turkey, the struggle against imperialism and feudalism was growing with great vigour. All this took place in the imperialist countries' vital rear areas. It dealt heavy blows to imperialist rule while directly helping and promoting the proletarian revolution in the suzerains and developed capitalist countries.

...Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and other countries, which had been defeated in World War I, were now reduced to a subordinate position similar to that of a colony. Germany, for instance, not only lost all its colonies but part of its territory was under occupation. Moreover, the Treaty of Versailles had imposed a heavy war indemnity of 20,000 million gold marks which Germany was required to pay in gold and in kind before 1921. Again in 1921, the victor countries demanded a new indemnity of Germany, fixing the total at 132,000 million gold marks, to

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A BURNING QUESTION:

CONFERENCE ON AFRO-AMERICAN NATIONAL QUESTION!!

A BURNING QUESTION.

As the struggle of Afro-Americans in the Black Belt Nation as well as the United States diaspora intensifies against monopoly capitalist oppression, the RCL (MLM) convened a national conference on "Which Way Black Liberation?", to attempt to sum up the strategy and tactics of proletarian revolution and black liberation. The conference was held on May 20 and 21, in New York City's Harlem community at the historical I.S. 201 school.

1. Black Liberation Movement Today
2. Afro-Americans In the Labor Movement and Marxism
3. Black Liberation Movement and Liberation Mo-

AT TENTION! SELF CRITICISM FOR SECTARIAN CARTOON

In last issue (October) of UNITY & STRUGGLE, there was a cartoon, supposedly criticizing sectarianism which was itself wildly sectarian. RCL wants to make self-criticism for this cartoon.

First the cartoon was drawn by a comrade who obviously holds the sectarian line that CP(ML) and others in the Anti-revisionist communist movement are as dangerous as the CPUSA. This is the line of the infamous non-revolutionary "wing". (The cartoon showed CPUSA, CLP, RU, WVO and CPML all guilty to the same degree of sham party building.)

But CPUSA is the main dissemina-

vement in Africa 4. Black Liberation Movement and the Woman Question
5. Black Liberation Movement and Revolutionary Culture.

In each workshop a discussion panel led the participants in analysis and debate around the workshop topics. Heated theoretical struggle characterized each of the groups. Several workshop participants expressed appreciation for the opportunity for such an exchange of views and experiences from different parts of the country because there hasn't been a national conference on the Black Liberation Struggle in a long time.

Noticeably absent from the conference were invited Marxist-Leninist groups such as WVO, ATM, CP(ML).

tion of revisionism in the USA. It is also the fifth column of the Social imperialist CPSU and USSR! CLP and RU are revisionist organizations but they must be shown as less dangerous than CPUSA. And WVO and CPML while continuing to make serious errors can in no way be shown to be THE SAME as CPUSA. This is true sectarianism. This is absolutely opposed to unifying Marxist-Leninists in order to build a genuine communist party.

Second, the cartoon was printed without being passed on to the editorial committee, a menshevik practice completely in opposition to Democratic centralism. Internal criticism and self-criticism is currently going on around this backward practice within RCL.

Woman Question

... "The emancipation of women is a question of great importance. Women make up half of the world population and no great social change can be completed without their participation. To win emancipation, the oppressed women of the world, together with the rest of the oppressed people have fought long and heroically, advancing wave upon wave in countless moving deeds that propelled the continued advance of society. Today the struggle against imperialism, colonialism and hegemonism, waged by the people of the world, particularly those of the third world countries, is developing vigorously. Countries want independence, nations want liberation and the people want revolution - this has become an irresistible historical trend. In this great struggle, the broad masses of women are becoming increasingly awakened, the women's movement is developing in depth and women have become a great dynamic revolutionary force. In every country women form a part of the whole nation and people. Their fate is invariably linked with that of the whole nation and people. Their emancipation, therefore, is an inseparable part of the struggle of the whole nation and people. Right now imperialism, colonialism and neocolonialism are

argue that women's emancipation is possible under capitalism, they can win the struggle to change bad attitudes amongst certain men under capitalism, but they cannot win their full emancipation under capitalism." (Australian Communist No. 82, pg. 102)

... "Without a doubt this is the correct Marxist-Leninist line on the Woman Question which must be upheld by RCL (MLM) as well as all genuine forces in the Anti-Revisionist Communist Movement (ARCM) and further propagated to the advanced and the masses of people so that it may be grasped by all and turned into a reality. The problem is that we (RCL) have not grasped the meaning of "women's emancipation" because we have not taken ENOUGH (we say enough because on two major occasions the struggle against incorrect lines on the Woman Question was taken up but not thoroughly in a consistent fashion. The two occasions were the struggle against male chauvinism that was launched as we tried to move from the social practices of cultural nationalism that oppressed our female comrades; and the two line struggle that went on around the question of whether women could be free under capitalism.) measures to stamp out male chauvinism/female col-



Chairman Mao taught us: "Women make up one half of the total population; the economic status of working women and the fact that they suffer

special oppression not only prove that women urgently need revolution but are also a decisive force for victory or failure of the revolution!"

still carrying out aggression and plunder; particularly the two superpowers are practising hegemonism and power politics everywhere, and are contending for spheres of influence, seriously encroaching upon and menacing the sovereignty, independence and basic rights of the people of many countries. All this also endangers the existence and security of the broad masses of women and children in these countries. Under these circumstances, women cannot win emancipation without taking part in the main struggle against imperialism, colonialism and neocolonialism, particularly against hegemonism of the two superpowers... Clearly, the primary task at present in the struggle for women's emancipation is to fight imperialism, colonialism and particularly hegemonism of the two superpowers. Only when this struggle is carried out successfully, while giving due attention to and solving the special demands and problems of women, can the cause for women's emancipation be pushed ahead steadily." (from Speech by Head of Chinese Delegation Li Suwen at International Women's Year World Conference in Peking Review, July 4, 1975.)

... "Nonetheless, it is a fact that the question of women's emancipation will largely, if not completely, be solved 'after the revolution'. This has been the case in every great revolution. It was the case in the socialist Soviet Union, and the case in Peoples China. This is not because it is a 'policy' of Marxist-Leninist parties to 'postpone' women's emancipation until after the physical victory of the revolutionary forces. Rather, it is because women simply CANNOT begin to win their full emancipation until this victory is achieved. To argue otherwise, is to

laboration RIGHT IN OUR RANKS THAT ARE BEING PERPETUATED EVERY DAY.

After coming out of the Kawaiaida period and embracing M-L-M and trying to do away with the chauvinistic practices we should have immediately begun **IDEOLOGICAL REMOLDING OF BOTH MEN AND WOMEN**. What we did was to take away the blatant practices of male chauvinism, struck the blatant organizational practices of male chauvinism and even had male comrades studying the book, **THE WOMAN QUESTION** (in one district) which raised a lot of clarity, but after that very little work on the Woman Question was taken up. During this same transitional period, true, there was a great deal happening to CAP-RCL but it seems to this day we have not taken this question seriously.

In this writers view principally the leading bodies are at fault for not seeing to it that this important question was not taken up more thoroughly within RCL. The principal task should have been the task of analyzing, and coming up with ways to rectify the problems of women in RCL.

... The following quote from THE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT IN CHINA, pg. 15-16, lays out the correct relationship of the leading bodies to women in the organization. "From now on, the whole Party must have an overall understanding that the mobilisation of the vast numbers of women to participate in revolutionary struggles is an in-

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LEFT OPPORTUNISM VS MARXISM-LENINISM
-MAO TSE TUNG THOUGHT!!

PLA LETTER TO CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY BRINGS NEW CLARITY TO THE CHINA-ALBANIA POLEMICS IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST MOVEMENT.

"It is through him that we all are what we are; and it is through his theoretical and practical activity that the movement is what it is today; without him we would still be plunged into confusion." F. Engels speaking, commemorating Karl Marx.

With the letter from the Central Committee of the Party of Labor of Albania (PLA) to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China (CPC), the whole ideological and political struggle within the international communist movement has reached a new level. This letter goes to the core of the polemics that started a few years ago, mounting into a political campaign by the PLA after Mao Tse-tung's death, and intensifying to the point that the Albanian Government and the PLA openly attack the CPC. Many young communists in the anti-revisionist communist movement worldwide have been confused because of the split that has developed between the CPC and the PLA. The ideological and political certainty they felt when Mao Tse-tung was alive is no longer there and frankly, many comrades and friends have wavered since Mao's death, the fall of the Gang of Four in China, and the open split between the Party of Labor of Albania and the Communist Party of China. Which side should you take? People must seriously weigh all the facts and arguments, seeking truth from facts, and firmly take a stand on this burning question. It is a question of whether or not we uphold Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tse-tung Thought or not. It is a question of maintaining the purity of Marxism-Leninism against the filth of revisionism. It is the question of how do we make revolution in the world today!

There can be no doubt that the Chinese Revolution found its way forward under the leadership of Chairman Mao and his revolutionary line for over a half century, surmounting obstacles that no one else had overcome, solving problems on the road to revolution that had never been solved before. The theory and practice of Chairman Mao Tse-tung have been a lighthouse for the oppressed peoples around the world because they are the theory and practice of revolution, the acme of Marxism-Leninism in our time. Mao Tse-tung Thought is an integrated scientific system and a continuation and development of the revolutionary science of Marxism-Leninism. Some people try

to limit Chairman Mao's creative development of Marxism to one field but in reality he developed Marxism-Leninism in all fields. Mao Tse-tung has left us with complete sets of concepts in philosophy, political economy and scientific socialism, not to speak of the concepts he left behind on tasks of party building, the building of a revolutionary army and peoples war, literature and art, science and education. The revisionists of all shades want to take the weapon of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tse-tung Thought away from the revolutionary people. Led by the Soviet Revisionists, they huff and puff, but Mao Tse-tung Thought represents a great and invincible force in the world because it has been grasped by millions and millions of people as they transformed the lives of more than one-fourth of humanity. **OPEN YOUR EYES AND YOU WILL SEE THAT THE REVOLUTIONARIES OF TODAY ARE THOSE WHO UPHOLD AND DEFEND MAO TSE TUNG THOUGHT AND NOT THOSE WHO ARE IN A FRENZIED DANCE WITH THE SOVIET REVISIONISTS BENT ON DESTROYING IT.**

The PLA Letter is full of slanders and anti-communist arguments that must be answered. These brief comments are put together to clarify the issues at stake that have been raised by this letter.

The whole history of the anti-revisionist communist movement is turned upside down in the PLA account, but what becomes crystal clear is that the PLA is attacking the CPC, not because the CPC is departing from the line and policies of Mao Tse-tung and Chou En-lai, but they are under attack because they uphold the banner of Chairman Mao today. Obviously the unity between the PLA and the CPC was a united front against Soviet Revisionism at one point in time. The ideal unity that many militants in the movement refer to between the CPC and the PLA, departs from reality because it closes its eyes to the concrete time, place and conditions under which the CPC and the PLA united. E.F. Hill, Chairman of the Australian Communist Party, has written a good account of the anti-revisionist communist movement and Chairman Mao's actual role. It gives a good perspective to the question, so we will start with his first hand account:

"Chairman Mao Tse-tung was the great continuer of the work of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin.

"Chairman Mao was the greatest sin-

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Albania Slanders China!

gle fighter against modern revisionism. He was unwavering in his adherence to Marxism-Leninism and upholding its revolutionary banner.

"Like the immortal Lenin, he stood as a giant on the basis of Marxist-Leninist theoretical principle, the purity of which is critical to the victory of proletarian revolution.

"Amid all the furor of revisionism, amid the avalanche of the Right, this mighty man calmly and deliberately expounded correct Marxist-Leninist principle. He declined to go along with revisionism...

"All the recognized leaders of international communism, headed by the leaders of the CPSU, proclaimed revisionism as Marxism-Leninism. Chairman Mao Tsetung denounced it as revisionism." (Study Guide For Chairman Mao's Theory of the Three Worlds, "Chairman Mao Tsetung Stands on the Pinnacle of History," ed. by Yen-an Books, pg 12)

The PLA Letter slanders Mao's role in the struggle against modern revisionism. The PLA letter attempts to do what the revisionist CPSU failed to do, by first of all saying that the Communist Party of China's ideological and political struggle against modern revisionism was pragmatically inspired and that the CPC, with Chairman Mao at the helm, was motivated by narrow national interests. In a word, Mao Tsetung's criticism of modern revisionism and the great contributions developed in this struggle according to the PLA are not based on Marxism-Leninism! The PLA says:

"The events that were taking place revealed ever more clearly that the political and ideological struggle of the Communist Party of China against the Khrushchevites did not proceed from a sound basis, in reality, its aim was not to defend Marxism-Leninism, the revolution and the liberation of peoples. It was waged simply for pragmatic ends and selfish interests." (Letter of the CC of the PLA, pg 40)

With this lie the PLA is echoing the slander and dirt of the revisionist CPSU in the 60s, which attempted to divert people's attention away from the principled Marxist-Leninist criticism initiated by Mao Tsetung. To this day the social fascist party, the CPSU, is running this line to cover their filthy social-imperialist acts! During the 60s the CPSU charged that the Communist Party of China (CPC) was deviating from Marxism and the October Road, and that it was not a genuine communist party. In the following passage, the PLA echoes this slander.

The PLA Letter says: "The great ideas of the Great October Socialist Revolution and the Marxist-Leninist ideology were not properly made the example for, the pillar and the compass of, the Communist Party of China in the concrete conditions of its country." (pg 35)

The fine legacy of the Communist Party of China, with Chairman Mao at the helm, was basing itself on the fundamental principle of integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the revolution. Chairman Mao made remarkable contributions to the revolutionary science of Marxism-Leninism and won victory after victory against the class enemies at home and abroad. History confirms this truth. The Communist Party of China is a great, glorious and correct Marxist-Leninist Party.

During the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution in China, the anti-revisionist communist movement assessed Mao Tsetung and the CPC. The evaluation expressed in 1967 by the Central

Committee of the Communist Party of Burma is that, "Comrade Mao Tsetung is the leader of the world proletariat and the Communist Party of China is the vanguard of the international communist movement." (Peking Review No 51, Dec. 15, 1967, pg 5). In both theory and practice, the Communist Party of China with Chairman Mao at the helm, not only built a great Marxist-Leninist Party, but it further developed the Marxist-Leninist science of party building.

Some people would have us forget that the Chinese Revolution travelled a long and tortuous road, growing stronger and stronger, under the leadership of the working class defeated the Japanese imperialists and drove them out of China and successfully carried out the great proletarian cultural revolution. Before the heroic CPC took leadership in the Chinese Revolution, the people's struggled raged wave after wave against foreign subjugation and exploitation. But it was not until the working class created its own genuine Marxist-Leninist Communist Party, that the Chinese people blazed a revolutionary trail in the East, and won victories that changed the balance of class forces in the world. THE PLA WOULD HAVE US BELIEVE THAT THESE VICTORIES WERE DONE WITHOUT MARXISM-LENINISM, which is incredible! "Ultimately they are slandering Mao Tsetung and the CPC as opportunists. Now let us look at the truth of history!

The very fact of the liberation struggle which culminated in victory in 1949 was a gigantic breach in the whole system of imperialism and colonialism. Just imagine a country...populated by hundreds of millions of people breaking from feudalism, colonialism and imperialism! It gave a mighty demonstration of Lenin's writings that in the smashing of imperialism, the peoples of the East would be decisive. China's liberation inspired the workers and working and oppressed people of the world. The Chinese people stood up. They inspired the people of Vietnam, Laos, Kampuchea to intensify their struggle for liberation. They constituted a reliable rear area for these peoples in their victorious struggle (E.F. Hill, "Communist Party of China Indestructible, VANGUARD, Ja. 20, 1977.)

In reality Chairman Mao developed a Marxist-Leninist party that was able to win great victories against the class enemy precisely because it possessed the revolutionary theory of Marxism-Leninism - Mao Tsetung Thought, a knowledge of history and a profound grasp of the practical movement. The Party of Labor of Albania's Letter deviates from the verdict on Mao Tsetung and the Chinese Revolution upheld by the anti-revisionist communist movement and in this unprincipled frenzied slander on the Chinese Revolution, they isolate themselves from the great majority of anti-revisionist parties and organizations in the world communist movement; while simultaneously lining up with an ugly host of scabs from the revisionist CPSU, center of world reaction, to the Trotskyite renegades!

In regard to the PLA charge that the Communist Party of China did not use the ideas of the October Revolution as a compass for their revolutionary struggle, the PLA reveals another ideological error. Mao Tsetung stated: "To acknowledge the standard of the October Revolution is to acknowledge that the 'basic content' of the proletarian revolution of any country is the same." (Mao Tsetung, A Critique of Soviet Economics, pg. 35) V.I. Lenin addressed the problem of the East taking the road of the October Revolution, and his stand is remarkably different than the PLA's stand against the Chinese Revolution. V.I. Lenin would have embraced the victory of the communist led Chinese Revolution of 1949.

"In this respect you are confronted with a task which has not previously confronted the Communists of the world: relying upon the general theory

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ideological struggle in the communist movement to unite Marxist-Leninists, and it did not broadly expand its work as much as it could have at times. Over the past two years, it has struggled to correct these weaknesses.

Also: ATM made serious errors of participating in formations initiated by certain opportunist groups. These formations were the National Continuities Committee and the so-called "Revolutionary Wing." These were errors of metaphysics and idealism, such as adopting for a period of time a "left" line on party building, which pitted mass work against the tasks of party building. (end quote)

Given these self-criticisms, the question arises as to how thoroughly these comrades are carrying out the rectification of their errors. To the extent that the League is based upon a deep and consistent repudiation of past mistakes, its formation is a good thing which leads the anti-revisionist communist movement forward; to the extent that LRS still continue in their shortcomings, progress for communists depends upon struggle against these errors.

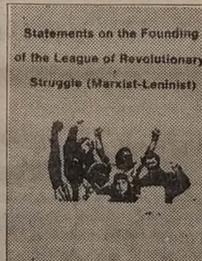
The real test of the question is practice. From its practice it is clear that the League must still struggle for rectification. This fact emerged at a public meeting held in New York on October 14 to announce the League. At the October 14 meeting there was no period of discussion in the program in which to carry out struggle over genuine differences. There were speeches of a general kind, revolutionary songs, and a reception over coffee and cake. There was no open clash of ideas to differentiate the correct from the incorrect through two-line struggle. But truth has no means of development other than the struggle with error.

Other practical errors included the taking of frontal pictures of the audience by League cadre, and scheduling the meeting in a public school building on a night when it was in use by the Board of Elections so that participants had to enter the meeting through a line of uniformed police.

BUT THE POSITIVE ASPECTS OF WHAT LRS REPRESENTS AS THE COMBINING OF TWO OF THE MAJOR ORGANIZATIONS IN THE ANTI-REVISIONIST COMMUNIST MOVEMENT IN THE U.S. FAR OUTWEIGH ANY SHORTCOMINGS!! It also raises sharp questions of the other organizations who do not think CPML is "the party", i.e., the genuine Marxist-Leninist Communist Party in the U.S. as to what are we doing to build that party in practical practicable terms. The formation of LRS is very positive, and so is the proposed Committee To Unite Marxist-Leninists, which so far includes the Bay Area Communist Union, League of Revolutionary Struggle and Communist Party Marxist-Leninist. CUML is proposed as the arena, the framework, in which the major questions obstructing the formation of a single major party in this country might be struggled out! The Left sectarianism that has made it almost impossible for many Marxist-Leninist groups to work together must be actively combatted. (Obviously the police contribute mightily to this sectarianism and isolation!) Organizations like League for Proletarian Revolution (though they are "not speaking to us" and pout childishly when we meet them in the streets) must also take further positive steps in not only making some extensive self-criticism which they are doing, but trying to put some of it in practice, especially the part about being anti-sectarian! Part of this anti-sectarianism would be to seriously consider membership in a forum like the CUML. RCL, of course, must put this question on the top of its agenda, since if we hold MARXIST-LENINISTS UNITE-WIN THE ADVANCED TO COMMUNISM, and we hold the first part of that slogan as principal, we must seriously question what, in fact, practically are we doing to build the revolutionary party of the U.S. Proletariat! Anything that obstructs the building of such a party is an obstruction to revolution, and an obstruction to the destruction of capitalism and the construction of Socialism.

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RCL's POSITION ON

SELF-DETERMINATION FOR THE AFRO-AMERICAN NATION IN THE BLACK BELT SOUTH

Crumbs For A Few, But No Integration

„What is happening is very significant; instead of national independence for the black national bourgeoisie, they are more and more being competed with by compradors. And the absolute growth of black business since the Civil Rights Movement and rebellions has seen the emergence of more and more compradors, suggesting not only the "discovery" of the black market by the big bourgeoisie, but the fact that since there was no Black Liberation brought to its needed resolution, i.e., black independence, then the only market the black bourgeoisie has is now more than ever accessible to the big bourgeoisie. The black bourgeoisie was always a stunted, non-industrial bourgeoisie, which furthermore developed too late "to get in on the ground floor of modern industrial enterprise, to share the so-called benefits of free enterprise; its misfortune was that it arrived in the epoch of trusts, when the key points of the country's economic life were already dominated by big business." It was stunted from the jump by monopoly capitalism. The dualistic view of the national bourgeoisie is that while the democratic revolution was supposed to bring equal rights, civil rights, it also had the effect of exposing the black market to onslaught by the big bourgeoisie; because the segregation, discrimination which gave the black bourgeoisie its market in the first place, were effectively lessened.

The modern national black bourgeoisie has even abandoned in large parts its homeland in favor of trying to get a share of urban ghetto market of the oppressed black nationality. The comprador also gives the imperialist the cover of expanding black business and political democracy as an illusion of black progress and partnership of blacks in capitalism, so-called black capitalism. And more and more the trend in black business is the coming of the comprador. (See Chart below)

And just as neo-colonialism is the main enemy throughout the African world, even though the struggle against colonialism is still being waged, it is so even in the U.S.A. that the black-face agent of imperialism is now the most deadly form. And black people's political relationship to the U.S. nation, in the South, the Black Belt, and throughout the country is marked by the emergence of more and more elected officials, in the Black Belt and in the ghetto versions of the Black Belt, whose job is to simulate black power, while signaling a more sophisticated level of imperialist domination.

In fact, the nature of black submerision in North America as an oppressed nation on the same landmass as the U.S. bourgeoisie has long given rise to the tendency of the black bourgeoisie to compromise and for large sectors of the bourgeoisie and petty bourgeoisie to actually aspire to become compradors, to serve imperialism, and abandon even the normal contradiction competition for a market would bring about.

This is also true with the black bourgeoisie's relationship to Africa and the West Indies. As Harry Haywood points out, "The fact is that an American imperialism has given plans for utilization of this section of the Negro bourgeoisie. It finds it essential to its strategy of world domination to hold

Africa as a reserve continent" for imperialism and prevent its following Asia's example. As a New York Times editorial spoke "Negro citizens...who can play useful roles in building bridges between the United States and Africa.

This feeling is white chauvinism, which is a justification for racism, and racism the method by which fascism will be brought to the United States wrapped in an American flag. But black oppression is at base caused by the domination of the black nation by imperialism, and its reflection in the rest of



Malcolm X opposed the CPUSA supported black bourgeoisie domination of the Black Liberation Movement in C.I. 28, AFRICA & THE BLACK NATION

The bourgeoisie seem clearly aware of Afro Americans' special relationship to Africa. Even the October 1928 Resolution of the Communist International took notice of this relationship to say: "The Negro question in the United States must be treated in its relation to the Negro questions and struggles in other parts of the world. The Negro race everywhere is an oppressed race. Whether it is a minority (U.S.A., etc.), majority (South Africa), or inhabits a so-called independent state (Liberia, etc.); the Negroes are oppressed by imperialism. Thus, a common tie of interest is established for the revolutionary struggle of race and national liberation from imperialist domination of the Negroes in various parts of the world. A strong Negro revolutionary movement in the U.S.A. will be able to influence...and direct the revolutionary movement in all those parts of the world where the Negroes are oppressed by imperialism."

Obviously attempts to liquidate this special relationship of history, heritage, culture, politics and emotion, is only a further liquidation of the national question itself. The lie there is no AfroAmerican nation, that blacks are totally integrated or assimilated into the United States nation, and also have no special relationship to Africa, exactly like the rest of the United States nation, is finally to reduce black connection to Africa as one of moral outrage at its exploitation. It is similar to the watering down the national oppression of black people to racism and making racism merely the feeling that one people are superior to another.

the 60s with the political line of the Black masses, "Self-Determination, Self Respect, Self Defense".

the United States is powerlessness and substandard inferior living conditions militarily enforced by the United States state. Chauvinism believes blacks are substandard, inferior and need to remain powerless. Racism is the apparatus by which they are to remain that way. The root of these is the national oppression which is domination by imperialism. ("The material base of chauvinism is imperialism," Lenin, THE COLLAPSE OF THE 2nd INTERNATIONAL, p. 244). "The receipt of high monopoly profits by the capitalists in one of the numerous branches of industry, in one of the numerous countries, etc., makes it economically possi-

ble for them to bribe certain sections of the workers; and for a time, a fairly considerable minority of them, and win them to the side of the bourgeoisie of a given industry OR GIVEN NATION AGAINST ALL THE OTHERS. The intensification of antagonisms between imperialist nations for the division of the world increases this urge. And so there is created that bond between imperialism and opportunism." (Lenin, Collected Works, "Imperialism The Highest Stage of Capitalism, p. 301.) The fact that blacks are identifiable as members of the imprisoned nation, maintains their national oppression wherever they are, which is a means of superexploitation, by class and race (national oppression). The race allows the national oppression to continue outside the nation itself, as blacks are grouped together in ghettos which duplicate the poverty and isolation from the rest of America that the Black Belt exhibits.

The revisionists see the black liberation struggle as merely a moral struggle against racism, as the question of the immortality of racism having to be destroyed, which is actually to reduce and dilute the question. The National Question is one of power.

(To be continued)

GRAND JURY WHITEWASHES COP MURDER

Arthur Miller - Crown Heights - Cop Murder

After 4 months a New York grand jury has concluded that police were blameless in Arthur Miller's death. This position backed by District Attorney Eugene Gold said police used reasonable force and standard police procedure.

This is in direct opposition to eyewitnesses who testified that Miller was beaten to the ground and choked to death when he attempted to aid his brother who had been stopped for a minor traffic violation.

There have been many many incidents of oppressed people suffering at the hands of the police and other repressive state mechanisms, giving rise to the Black United Front. As one of its goals, the Black United Front is struggling to end police brutality. Through participation in such struggles, the masses become clearer on the true role of the state and realize that only by its total defeat can oppressed people become free.

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NATIONAL OPPRESSION

The Wallace Davis Story

Wallace Davis was 18 years old when he came to Chicago from Louisiana in 1970. A year later, this young man owned three successful businesses on the Westside - a bar-b-que house and two auto body repair shops.

On March 8, 1976, Davis was shot in the back by a white policeman...and now, a little more than two years later, he is physically only a shell of himself; he has lost all of his businesses; he is living off public aid checks.



And he is fighting an uphill battle to gain some kind of justice from the City of Chicago for the brutal and sadistic act of a white cop. Having lost a \$15 million suit against the City, and having turned down a \$300,000 settlement offer from the City, Davis has won a new trial on a ruling from the 7th Circuit Court of Appeals.

Meanwhile, this former successful young Black businessman wages a determined fight against this white policeman and the City of Chicago. He is demanding that the policeman be punished. However, Officer Joseph Freels continues to patrol Black communities. Yet, Davis, with only a 30 percent chance of living more than three additional years, walks around with no spleen, gall bladder, bowel ducts, or appendix, and with only a portion of his liver. They were destroyed when that .357 hollow-point bullet, fired from a Magnum, slammed through his back as he was spread-eagled against a car.

Let's go back to March 8, 1976. Davis and a friend, Winston Fonenot, surprised two burglars in Davis' rib house about 5:45 a.m. They subdued the two men and called the police. After 15 minutes, the police had not arrived and the burglars escaped. Davis and Fonenot had proceeded to drive

to one of Davis' body shops. As they got out of their car, two white policemen approached them and ordered them up against a nearby auto. They complied.

Fonenot was handcuffed, and without warning, Davis was shot in the back by Freels. Davis had made no attempt to resist and was unarmed. According to Davis, Freels began kicking and stomping him and then pointed the gun between Davis' eyes and told him: "Die, nigger, die, or I'll blow your brains out."

Davis pretended to be dead and the officers took his wallet, watch, and ring, and one of them said: "He won't need these where he's going." Davis remained in Cook County Hospital for more than seven months. Then too, he was shackled to his hospital bed for four of those months, because he, Davis, had been charged with attempted murder of the two burglars, charges which were later dropped.

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COLORADO PRISON ARTICLE

Letter from Comrade in Colorado State Penitentiary.

I have some news to update you on about this little war we have here at this KKamp. By unanimous vote (98%), we decided to go on a "work strike" for 7 or 8 days, from November 1st to November 7th, to pressure the governor (it's during election time...) and tap capitalists (profit mongers over prison industries) to force the administration into conceding to some of, if not all our demands. But, the boys got hip to the strike, so they barbarically picked up three men ALLEGEDLY "instigators" of the strike; (one Afrikan, Cecil Moody, AKA Waki-li), one Chicano (Robert Rivera), and one European (Hayward "Habe" Lawson) under their "Emergency Segregation Transfer" clause, around 10:30 pm on the night of October 26th and threw them in Cell House No. 3, (The Hole, AKA "Dog Kennels").

So we had another meeting out on the yard on Saturday, October 28th (over 95% showed up) and decided to go on strike two days earlier (October 30th) than originally proposed...and added to our list of grievances, "the immediate unconditional release" of the three men they kidnapped and threw in the Dog Kennels. And it was also agreed that no one go to eat breakfast on the morning of the strike.

Our grievances/demands briefly stated consisted of: 1) changes in policies concerning the treatment of inmates, 2) resumption of contact visits, 3) inmate access to outside organizations, 4) establishment of self-help groups - including an inmate council and the availability of group therapy, counseling and vocational training, along with what I mentioned in the last paragraph. Under the sub-topic of Policies, Procedures, and Treatment, we stated how a lot of men in here don't even have underwear (they use to give them to us twice a year, before '76), personal hygiene products, public telephones, more jobs and general let-up from the "quasi-lock-up-time schedule". We also demanded answers to allegations that our Inmate Welfare Fund & Monies from the Canteen and Movies were being frauded, embezzled and misappropriated to and by certain "KKans" of pigs in here, including the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent themselves!

Anyway, the Colorado Correctional Director "denied" receipt of our grievances and demands! (A nice "play-down" political lie!) He also denied, that his Gestapo ground troops are armed... the bastards carry "blunderbusts" (a pellet shooting shotgun), "tear-gas guns", "mace", "knives", and "an assortment of clubs and black-jacks"...and they have at present instituted a policy of "get-tough" on us.

Well, the strike is now in its 8th day, elections will end tonight, and as far as I know the strike ends (although maybe only temporarily!) in the morning. So the boys will probably end their "lock-down" tomorrow too. So far, they have refused to give-in to most, nearly all of our demands...gave us a pamphlet stating a lot of promises and lies, along with a lot of rhetoric bullshit and threats that they'll deal with us "harshly" if we take it upon ourselves to stop the normal functions of their institution again and try to force them into any type of bargaining or negotiations for our rights and/or necessities!

Of the three men they threw in the Hole, they "released" ONE, the European, Habe Lawson, and gave the Afrikan and Chicano "10 days segregation" to be "reviewed" after the 10 days is up (the 10th of November), meaning, if they so deem, they can keep them in there "indefinitely" by simply giving them "90-day reviews". Incidentally Waki-li (Cecil Moody) is one of my closest comrades.

BAKKELASH CONTINUES: MINORITY STUDENT PROGRAM ENDANGERED AT RUTGERS LAW SCHOOL

Letters of support from all across the country are beginning to arrive at the Rutgers-Newark University campus demanding the retention of the Law School's Minority Student Program (MSP) which since 1973 has set aside 25 percent of the approximately 700 plus seats for minorities. The MSP came into existence almost immediately after the Newark riots of '67 and denote the substantial gains that have been made, is now, in light of the Bakke decision, in danger of being significant; revised, if not completely eliminated.

Upon hearing of the University's Board of Governors' plan to reassess the MSP, a coalition of minority organizations and others-the Association of Black Law Students, the Association of Latin American Law Students,

the Association of Asian Law Students, the Women's Caucus, the New Jersey Lawyers Guild, and the National Black American Law Student Association (BALSA)-was quickly formed to challenge the University's move. Already there are public hearings underway to influence the various faculty and admissions committee meetings whose findings will definitely effect the Board of Governors' final decision.

Norman Epting, Chairperson of the Association of Black Law Students (ABLS) and a third year law student, said the Bakke decision "represents a political statement on the temperament and mood of this country's power elite, and Rutgers Law School is the first battleground of what we plainly interpret as a war on affirmative action."

Though the Rutgers Law School's MSP was given formal recognition in 1973, the actual experiment began in 1968 when the school added 20 new slots to the incoming freshmen class. Even such a modest increase was a tremendous improvement over the previous decade 1958-68, when only 12 minority students had been matriculated.



Since the inception of the MSP more than 200 Black attorneys have graduated from Rutgers Law School and for a program that has been in full operation only five years, such a performance is indeed noteworthy. More than two-thirds of MSP students are from the state of New Jersey. Normally, there are as many as 40 Black students in the program; 13 Hispanic students and 7 Asian American students.

The elimination of the MSP would not only hamper the steady flow of minority lawyers but would also seriously impede several of the programs that derive their personnel from the MSP. Such a cutback would stifle the ABL's community Legal Aid Program that provides legal assistance to inner-city residents and its Southern Mobilization Project which for some years now has aided assisted folks located in the rural south.

To salvage the MSP, the students, through the newly formed coalition, are now busy planning a regional conference that will highlight the situation at Rutgers and assist in the national campaign against the pernicious impact of Bakke. Infused with the spirit of Paul Robeson, a former Rutgers student, the students are determined to show the faculty-student committee that there is not only local concern for the continuation of MSP but national support as well. Join the Struggle! Send your letters of support to Rutgers and defeat the Bakke Backlash!

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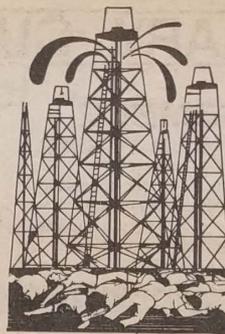
STRUGGLE IN THE Middle East

CAMP DAVID AFTERMATH

Three months after the Carter initiated Camp David "Framework" for peace were signed, no peace treaty exists between Egypt and Israel.

Israel has consistently refused to follow the spirit of Camp David by raising straw men, one after another. First they couldn't have a pact be linked to overall Mideast peace; then they reneged on the promise not to develop more Israeli settlements on occupied lands and begin dismantling ones already established. They then wanted \$3 billion above the present \$2 billion U.S. commitment in additional military aide. Israel has repeatedly refused to deal with the independence of the Palestinians in the West Bank of Jordan, and the Gaza Strip, though they agreed to the "independence" of these areas within 5 years. But now they say they oppose any kind of Palestinian

ever. Israel's antagonism is necessary based on the war mentality of a U.S. watchdog. Israel's inflationary military economy is based on its war preparedness and thus it is threatened by peace in the Middle East. Egypt, who first approached Israel for a peace settlement, has been verbally attacked by her Arab allies for attempting to negotiate a separate peace with Israel. However, Egypt has consistently pushed and Israel consistently rejects, linking any agreement with the overall situation in the West Bank, Gaza Strip, etc. Diplomatic relations remain, including the maintenance of PLO headquarters in Egypt, as well as all trade and air agreements with her Arab neighbors. The only action taken was a joint statement in November by the Arab League not to attend meetings held in Cairo. On the other hand Sadat's initia-



lism entails and have fought to free themselves from imperialist domination. Looking at the present, especially the close alliance of the military regime with the Soviet Union, we can say the following. If tomorrow the Kremlin deems it necessary to engage Ethiopian troops in wars which it instigates, the military regime has shown its readiness to make the peoples of Ethiopia shed their blood for the Soviet Social Imperialists. Moreover, requests by the Soviet Union for establishing military bases of some sort or weapon storage facilities, etc. in the name of "ensuring the defence capabilities of both parties" and "military cooperation" in its preparation for war will not be far off. Such is the direction in which this infamous deal signed by Mengistu is undoubtedly leading the country.

Other sections of the treaty dealing with "the development and deepening of unbreakable relations in the political, economic trade fields", "the parties shall expand all-round cooperation between them on the basis of the principle of equality, mutual benefit and most favoured nation treatment", etc. are designed for the further exploitation of the peoples of Ethiopia and the plunder of our national resources by

Woman Question

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dispensable force for the winning of nationwide victory in the revolution. We must pay attention to the direction of women's work and to achieve the aim of the Party concerning women's work. THE PARTY COMMITTEE MEMBERS SHOULD LIST THIS AS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE OVERALL WORK OF THE PARTY. When mapping out, reviewing and summarising various work, they should include the women's work. Party newspapers and news agencies of all levels should publicise and report women's work. Party committee members above the county level should establish and enhance the organization of women's committees and give them direction and assistance constantly. Below the district level, the leadership of women's work should be the responsibility of the Party branch and special personnel should be appointed to assume the responsibility.

"The tasks and responsibilities of women's committees of various levels are to study women's problems and policies and to review women's work under the leadership of the Party committee members of the same level. They must also make proposals to the latter for directing and promoting women's work.

"The Party should continue to correct, inside and outside the Party, the remnant feudal ideology of preferring men to women, the thought of excluding women's work from the overall work and the inclination of carrying it out all alone. Party organizations of various levels should intensify the study and practice of Marxism-Leninism and the ideology of Mao Tsetung in directing women's work in training personnel and accurately grasping the policy of the women's movement." (Excerpted from Internal RCL Document.)

Soviet Social Imperialism.

In short, such a treacherous treaty is undoubtedly not in the interest of the Ethiopian people and that of the region. Hence, as in the past the Ethiopian peoples will not accept such a treacherous deal. The Ethiopian Students Union in North America also vehemently condemns this treaty of national betrayal and will continue, alongside the peoples of Ethiopia, to expose and struggle against the counter-revolutionary military regime and Soviet Social Imperialism.

ESUNA is confident that the anti-imperialist struggle of the Ethiopian peoples will eventually shake off such

... and Ethiopia

FIRMLY OPPOSE THE TREACHEROUS "ETHIOPIAN-SOVIET TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION"

The head of Ethiopia's military regime has just concluded a twenty year deal with the Kremlin that subjects the Ethiopian people to the dictate and domination of Soviet-Social Imperialism. Such a treacherous deal of national betrayal has further opened the way for Soviet Social Imperialist enslavement and exploitation.

The Ethiopian peoples have a bitter experience of various treaties with imperialists that have subjected them to the latter's flagrant interference and domination. Yet, the counter-revolutionary military regime that never learns from history signed on November 20th, 1978 the treacherous "Ethiopian-Soviet friendship and cooperation treaty" that subjects the Ethiopian people to the further domination by Soviet Social Imperialism.

Let us look at some of the articles in this infamous treaty and see what is in store for the Ethiopian peoples. Article 10 states, "in the interests of ensuring the defence capability of the high contracting parties they shall continue to cooperate in the military field." What does this mean? It is a clear declaration for the continued presence of thousands of Soviet military advisors, of more than 17,000 Cuban mercenaries, over a thousand East German military personnel and even a further increase of troops if the situation demands it. Cooperation in the military field, as has been seen in practice, is the stationing of troops, the flooding of the country with weapons of mass-slaughter, the training of troops and security forces and the participation of Soviet and Cuban high ranking officers in the highest military command committees to map out strategies for various war campaigns. Moreover, as testified by present realities in Ethiopia, military cooperation means the participation of Soviet officers and Cuban mercenary troops in logistics, manning sophisticated weapons in the war of extermination launched on oppressed nationalities especially those in Eritrea. All this is done in the name of ensuring Ethiopia's defence capability and military cooperation. With such an agreement in force, the Soviet Social Imperialists are in a position of total control of military operations in Ethiopia.

We say it is a deal of national betrayal. It is a deal that ensures Soviet Social-Imperialist domination in Ethiopia. It is a deal that endorses and facilitates the imperialist designs of the Kremlin tsars throughout the world and in the Horn of Africa in particular. It is a treacherous deal that facilitates the war preparation of the Soviet Union and a guarantee for Ethiopia's continued support to the Soviet Union in case of an outbreak of world war.

The consequence of such a treaty which strengthens alliance with Moscow is fraught with great dangers for the Ethiopian peoples and that of the region. Looking back at the close alliance of Haile Selassie's regime with U.S. imperialism and its subsequent consequences we find among other things the following. On major international issues U.S. dictated the foreign policy of Ethiopia even to the extent of using Ethiopian military forces to engage in its regional wars such as Korea and the Congo. U.S. Imperialism had unrestricted rights to use Ethiopian airfields, sea-ports, air-space and other facilities, as well as, the Kagnew military communication base to pursue its aggressive designs in Africa and the Middle East. From these the Ethiopian peoples have drawn valuable lessons on what treacherous deals with Imperia-

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Israel to expand illegal settlements
No peace in sight in the Middle East

It is clear the Middle East is on the verge of peace this month, as Israeli aggression and expansion continues unabated. The awarding of the Nobel Peace Prize to the Israeli military regime has even announced by releasing the present officers on Arab and Jerusalem, seized by Zionists in 1967.

Zionist aggression in Lebanon has also continued in recent weeks. Israel is gearing its arms to the Golan Heights, during the current ceasefire. Israeli warplanes continue to violate Lebanese air space with provocative flyovers.

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The formation by ATM and IWK of the League For Revolutionary Struggle (M-L) is a very positive forward step by the Anti-Revisionist Communist

Movement in the U.S. towards completion of its CENTRAL TASK: the building of a revolutionary Marxist-Leninist Communist Party based on

Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tse Tung Thought. But unprincipled unity, or all unity without principled struggle will only lead us into the swamp.

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REVOLUTIONARY CULTURE.....

PROLETARIAN ENSEMBLE Using Revolutionary Culture as a Weapon for Struggle!

The Proletarian Ensemble is a mass cultural organization initiated by RCL cadre in St. Louis, Mo. It has been in existence for almost a year. It has done performances of revolutionary music, poetry, and skits at various forums, rallies, universities and fundraisers across the country. PE (Proletarian Ensemble) also has done disco dances performing positive "Top 40" tunes and original compositions.

Proletarian Ensemble members are united around anti-imperialist principles of unity, seeing the need to provide an alternative to negative bourgeois culture being run in order to demobilize, disorganize and disorientate the masses of working people and oppressed nationalities. This attack is designed to create and maintain reactionary and backward ideas to keep new and revolutionary ones from gripping the masses so that the bourgeoisie can maintain its rule. "Art for art's sake", which sees cultural forms like music, literature, poetry and plays, etc. as "classless", "for entertainment only" or to "do your own thing" are just a few such bourgeois lines pushed heavily through the superstructure. The bourgeoisie peddles these lines to disorientate "would-be revolutionary artists" and turn them away from revolutionary cultural work that definitely serves the interest of working class struggles and getting them to promote idealism and individualism - that clearly serve the interest of the bourgeois ruling class. The "entertainment industry" is one that produces multi-billion dollar profits each year for the exploiting class to the destruction and exploitation of many artists, musicians, etc. But cultural work like all else is not neutral. It is, to paraphrase Mao Tse-tung, branded with the ideology of one class or another. Art (forms and content) either supports bourgeois rule or puts it down, talks about it bad and gives a revolutionary alternative. One good example is how writers Gamble &

Huff and the O'Jays were cooled out QUICK when they started talking about "the rich and the super rich, the poor and the super poor", "16 families that control the world" and "give the people what they want". Or how blatantly "Macho Man" by the Village People is being flaunted all over radio and tv, a song that glorifies male chauvinism and obviously supports women's oppression.

Proletarian Ensemble is committed to fight through its cultural work all forms of oppression: class, national and sexual (including chauvinism, male and national).

The Ensemble works with music, poetry and other aspects that deal with the struggle of working class and oppressed nationalities, the woman question, policy brutality, the need for a revolutionary Marxist-Leninist Party, etc. PE takes the form and progressive, i.e., revolutionary content from everyday life and other revolutionary writers pull it all together to create the message that "Imperialism must go".

One area in which PE receives the greatest response is the woman question. An original song, "Women Hold Up Half the Sky" is liked by the vast majority of people, especially women wherever it is performed. This song which was several years in the making was conceptualized and developed by one of the female vocalists and another female comrade. Their understanding of the importance of the struggle for the emancipation of women and how it is a class question and component part of proletarian revolution inspired them to write this song. This song clearly has summed up the aspirations of working women and is an inspiration to their/our struggle.

Finally, the Ensemble is open to all who want to join and can unite with the fight against imperialism.

Community Programs Eliminated by WNJR

...Recently radio station WNJR, Newark, in a move reminiscent of earlier days when it was run by outright reactionaries saw fit to remove community programming from the air. This was community programming that had been on WNJR for 4 and 5 years, largely because of community struggles to get media space. Programs as diverse as the New Well Drug program and the Newark Student Union plus local politicians managed to obtain weekly broadcast time, as well as Unity and Struggle newspaper. The Unity and Struggle program was a very popular program, not only in the North Jersey community, but it could be heard in parts of New York City. The community struggles to gain this time were led by the then Congress of Afrikan People, as part of the many mass struggles it was then involved in.

...The apparent object of this bold attack on the peoples' rights is of course the Unity and Struggle program primarily, because it consistently focused on key agitational issues in this country, particularly in this region, but also raised up a continuous opposition to the degenerate system of monopoly capitalism and its attendant racism, national oppression and the oppression of women. The other programs were eliminated so as to make it less obvious that the U&S program was the main target, but also because in this particular period, the bourgeoisie is attacking the gains the people made in the militant cities!

...What is also obvious is that the FCC "Ascertainment" statement that all stations, radio and TV have to fill out to demonstrate they "represent the opinion of the people their signal reaches" will in this case return to the bold-faced lies of most radio and tv stations who usually represent no one but the handful of rich folks who own them, and never the people!

...But obviously this situation cannot be allowed to continue: people groups are already forming to begin to do battle with WNJR over this crass denial of

THE DEAD UNIFORM

Fuck you
and the way you think
You ain't nothing but a battery operated
castrated constipated cop
and your position stinks
and your breath is rotten
and you have forgotten
how to pronounce your name
ever since you became a so-called civil servant
for the state sick you are
using that night stick
and using that gun
on your brothers and sisters
What the fuck is wrong
with you mister?
making believe
that your problems are over
because you passed
the civil service examination
to become a hired killer
for the administration
that is killing your generation
and will do the same to you
when your trigger finger malingers
after twenty years of cooperating
and eliminating with your gun
anyone who threatens the future
of the swine who drops
atomic bombs on the minds
of your brothers and sisters
What the fuck is wrong
with you mister?
making believe
that useless uniform fits
You ain't into shit
small you are not big
pig dig yourself before
the grave digger starts digging you
who ain't nothing but
a battery operated
castrated constipated cop
and your position stinks
Fuck you and the way you think

democratic rights, just as there are popular movements to oppose the racist Bakke ripoff of affirmative action gains made in the 60s. Where there is oppression there is resistance, and ultimately it will be a resistance that will topple capitalism itself!

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among the masses, in mass struggles. And many times when present committing right errors by merely tailing another spontaneous workers movement like the UNITED LEAGUE

It must be noted that march participants, local Tupeloians, as well as leadership in the UL and the Northern Mississippi Rural Legal Services, which is the paramount ally of the UNITED LEAGUE and principally responsible for challenging police brutality and racial discrimination in the local and federal courts and exposing Klan violence were receptive to Communist literature (U&S and RCL's AANQ Position were distributed) and participation, and raised sincere questions as to the role of Communist in democratic rights movements.

RCL must make a strong condemnation of the so-called Progressive Labor Party, who under the guise of "communist" friends of "black nationalists" and "civil rights groups" disrupted the rally in front of City Hall, by seizing the microphone and making an unauthorized speech in which it denounced the leadership of the UNITED LEAGUE as reactionary narrow nationalists and cowards and urged the crowd to seize the initiative and physically attack the Klan who were then stationed around the Tupelo Police department 2 blocks from the rally, unloading shot-

guns, axe handles, and semi-automatic rifles (which police declared they never saw) from pick-up trucks. PL and its super left mouthings should be put down by all Marxist.

89, Lew Meyers, an attorney with NMRLS (Northern Mississippi Rural Legal Services) who is currently under attack by the Mississippi Bar Association and the Legal Services Corporation in Washington, D.C. for his support activities of the UNITED LEAGUE and Skip Robinson, leader to the UNITED LEAGUE, denounced such activities by "communists" and made it necessary for RCL to devote its remaining time in Tupelo to explaining and demarcating genuine M-L forces from sham revisionists groups. This act perpetuated by PL's black cadre leadership in an obvious front organization which can only be characterized as pure adventurism or police agency or both and finally counter-revolutionary and has no place amongst genuine communist mass work and activities.

Communist work in working class movements must be judged through day-to-day participation, class struggle, criticism and self-criticism and the measurable reality of the communist line and program as it correctly solves problems it engages among the working masses.

RCL intends to deepen its participation in day-to-day struggles of the

Afro-American nation in the Black Belt South, to uphold the slogans of Self-Determination/Liberation for the Afro-American nation in the Black Belt South, Black Liberation-Socialist Revolution and will continue to criticize the lack of consistent mass work conducted by the ARCM in this and other mass struggles and will put forth genuine self-criticism of its own mass work.

On January 15th, 1979 in Washington D.C., the National Organization of Legal Service Workers (NOLSW), attorneys and legal workers who provide federally funded legal services to poor people demonstrated to support NMRLS (which has aided and supported

the United League) which has become a target of reactionary forces. Senator James Eastland of Mississippi and John C. Stennis have lodged a complaint with the Legal Service Corporation in Washington, D.C. demanding an inquiry into NMRLS activities, that that office be defunded and that its attorneys be censured. All for the purpose of denying poor blacks and whites this sort of legal support. Speakers will be present from both the UNITED LEAGUE and NMRLS.

One thing the Tupelo demonstration made abundantly clear is that Black Liberation is a component part of the struggle for socialism in the U.S. and will come only through armrevolution.

Ethiopia

treacherous and unequal treaties. Though the struggle against the military regime and Soviet Social Imperialism is not easy and smooth sailing, it is our firm belief that, given Ethiopian revolutionaries sum-up past struggles of the Ethiopian people in accordance with Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tse Tung Thought and develop a correct line to lead the struggle, the peoples of Ethiopia will be able to surmount all difficulties and realize the birth of peoples' democratic Ethiopia.

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be paid off in annual allotments of 2,000 million. It was compelled by such extortionate terms to hand over its shipping facilities, livestock and also its revenues from railway transport and the mining industry as part of the payment. As Lenin put it, "The Peace of Versailles is oppressing hundreds of millions of people. It is robbing Germany of coal, robbing her of her milch herds, and is reducing her to an unparalleled and unprecedented state of servitude." (Speech Delivered at a Congress of Leather Industry Workers, 1920.) These circumstances aroused strong anti-imperialist sentiments among the German proletariat and other labouring people. The bourgeoisie in Germany, who also resented being bullied in this way, asked for a revision of the treaty while attempting to get out of their predicament by exploiting the contradictions among the United States, Britain and France. Germany, an imperialist country itself before the war, had by then become an oppressed and enslaved country having most acute contradictions with the imperialist powers.

...Why did Lenin put Soviet Russia, where the proletariat had already won state power, in the same category with the colonial, semi-colonial and defeated countries? This was because, on the one hand, tsarist Russia's participation in World War I caused the country tremendous losses in manpower and material resources and seriously impaired its economy. After the October Revolution, Soviet Russia had to endure an imperialist-sponsored armed intervention by 14 countries and the revolt of the White Guard. The imperialists vainly hoped to strangle the Soviet regime and turn Russia into a colony. The Soviet regime was forced to go to war for more than three years, which crippled the economy, brought production to a standstill, caused the land to lie waste, with famine plaguing many parts of the country. After the armed intervention was crushed, the imperialists did not give up their scheme of wiping out the Soviet regime. Instead, they intended to destroy it by continued encirclement, economic blockade and other means. Soviet Russia at that time, whether viewed from its political and economic conditions or from the situation of the international class struggle, was in a position akin to that of a colony suffering from imperialist powers' aggression and bullying. On the other hand, the historical mission of the Soviet regime determined that it was bound to throw in its lot with the proletariat and oppressed nations in the other parts of the world. This was because, in Lenin's opinion, the victory of the socialist revolution in one country only spelled the beginning of the world revolution; it must not only unite with the proletariat of the advanced countries and form a close alliance with them, but also ally itself with the liberation movements of oppressed nations in the colonies and semi-colonies in a common struggle to defeat international imperialism. Only thus could the Soviet regime become really consolidated and advanced; only thus could the proletarian revolution win its final victory. Lenin said, "The socialist revolution will not be solely, or chiefly, a struggle of the revolutionary proletarians in each country against their bourgeoisie—no, it will be a struggle of all the imperialist-oppressed colonies and countries, of all dependent countries, against international imperialism." (Address to the Second All-Russia Congress of Communist Organizations of the Peoples of the East, 1919.)

TWO OTHER GROUPS OF COUNTRIES

...The countries which retained their old position, mainly those which kept

neutral during World War I and the small and medium-sized countries which maintained their independent status in the war, belonged to another group. They included Holland, Norway, Switzerland, Spain, Portugal and a number of Balkan countries as well as some countries in Central and South America. Though they had the semblance of independence, and some made economic gains by trading with the belligerents during the war, they were under the influence and sway of the imperialist powers politically, especially in world affairs. During the war, they had sunk to the position of military and economic dependence on the imperialist powers in general and the United States in particular. After the war, their contradictions with the imperialist powers also became aggravated.



Lenin's teaching on applying dialectical materialism to the world situation, i.e., analysing the specific contradictions that exist and making use of those contradictions, even between the imperialists themselves, is a fundamen-

tal Marxist approach to reality and struggle. The "left" revisionist revolutionaries have little understanding of dialectics and therefore have little use for Lenin or Comrade Mao Tse Tung.

...A few imperialist powers, namely, the United States, Britain, France and Japan of the Allied Powers, made up the third category. These were the victor nations in World War I. But in these countries, it was only the monopoly capitalists and the rulers who were the real beneficiaries. At the Paris peace conference following World War I, the United States, Britain and France lorded it over the vanquished powers and imposed on them the oppressive Treaty of Versailles. By virtue of this treaty they divided among themselves the former German colonies and marked out anew their own spheres of influence. They organized counter-revolutionary forces against the Soviet regime and repressed revolutions in various countries. They called into being the League of Nations and deprived the small and medium-sized countries of their rights and interests in a vainglorious bid to set up an international order where as the big powers

hegemony over Europe; it had contradictions with both Britain and the United States. Japan which had enlarged its sphere of influence in the Far East and the Pacific during the war, now found its contradiction with the United States growing more acute with each passing day, and a war between them was brewing. All this showed that although the imperialist powers had founded the League of Nations to place the whole world under their thumb, "there was not a jot of unity among them" and "on every question, they put spokes in one another's wheels." (Lenin: Report on the International Situation and the Fundamental Tasks of the Communist International, delivered at the 2nd Congress of the Communist International, 1920.)

...This was how Lenin differentiated the world's countries and, on this basis, worked out the strategy and tactics for the internal proletariat. Addressing the delegates to the Second

Congress of the Communist International, he said: "Thus we get the main outlines of the picture of the world as it appeared after the imperialist war...I would like you to memorize this picture of the world, for all the fundamental contradictions of capitalism, of imperialism, which are leading to revolution, all the fundamental contradictions in the working-class movement that have led to the furious struggle against the Second International...are all connected with this division of the population of the world." (ibid.)

BASIC IDEA BEHIND LENIN'S DIFFERENTIATION

...Lenin's differentiation of the world's political forces did not appear from nowhere. It was a conclusion he reached after a comprehensive examination of the various fundamental contradictions in the world in his time. Lenin's basic idea, like that of the revolutionary teachers Marx and Engels before him, was to distinguish between the enemy, friends and ourselves in the international class struggle, and to expand to the maximum our own ranks and those of our allies while isolating and striking at the main enemy to the maximum so as to win final victory for the proletarian revolution. The beginning of this century, when capitalism developed to the stage of imperialism with monopoly capital in a dominant position, the contradiction between the proletariat and the bourgeoisie became more acute than ever. In analysing the peculiar features of imperialism, Lenin, for the first time in history, declared that the world had entered the era of imperialism and proletarian revolution. Imperialism, he pointed out, had divided the world into two parts: the populous oppressed nations and the oppressor nations with very small populations but in possession of huge wealth and great military strength. Imperialism's oppression of the whole world further intensified the resistance movement of the oppressed nations. Proceeding from the stand of the proletarian revolution and of fighting against international imperialism, Lenin set great store by the liberation struggles of the oppressed nations. In his opinion, after the October Revolution and World War I, these struggles had by then become a component part of the socialist movement of the proletariat of the world. The revolutionary struggles in the colonies and semi-colonies were in turn affecting the working-class liberation struggle in the capitalist countries in Europe; besides, the social revolution against imperialism as a whole could win out only when the civil wars launched by the working class in the developed countries against the bourgeoisie were linked up with the liberation movements of the oppressed nations. Moreover, the final victory of the socialist revolution of the proletariat of the world, he pointed out, would depend on and eventually be ensured by the revolutions in countries like Russia, India and China which made up the overwhelming majority of the world population.

These viewpoints of Lenin were diametrically opposed to those of the Second International's social-chauvinists who always belittled the liberation struggles of the oppressed nations. These opportunists knew nothing about the revolutionary significance of the national-liberation movement in the colonies and semi-colonies, denying that it played a great role in demolishing the foundation of imperialist rule and in promoting the working-class revolutionary movement in the capitalist countries. Therefore, in practice they refused to support the liberation movement in the colonies and semi-colonies. Lenin also attached great importance to the contradictions and struggles among the imperialist countries. After World War I, the contradictions be-

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Lenin proposed the Brest-Litovsk Treaty in order to divide the imperialist forces ready to attack the Soviet

Union and to gain a "breather" which insured Russia's survival.

tween the imperialist victor nations and the defeated countries as well as those among the victors themselves were very sharp. Lenin was of the opinion that, in order to deal blows at the principal enemy, the proletariat must make a distinction between the secondary and lesser imperialist countries on the one hand and the imperialist powers which held sway over everything on the other. He also held that it was necessary to link the proletariat's anti-imperialist struggle with the struggle of the defeated countries and the small and medium-sized countries against the imperialist powers' enslavement. In the struggle against imperialism, therefore, he pointed out that the Soviet state must try to win over the bourgeoisie in the small countries, "for the imperialists oppress not only the workers of their own countries but the bourgeoisie of the small states as well." (Report of the Central Committee of the R.C.P.(B), 1920.)

Under the guidance of these strategic and tactical principles laid down by Lenin, the first thing under consideration on Soviet Russia's foreign relations at that time, was how to preserve and consolidate its own existence. After the October Revolution of 1917, Soviet Russia, then still at war with German imperialism, found that, to preserve the regime of the Soviets, it was necessary to pull itself out of the imperialist war as quickly as possible, restore production and organize the building of the political power. At that time, the government of the Kaiser was girding for an attack on Soviet Russia and the Allied Powers too were making plans for an intervention in Soviet Russia. After the Allied Powers rejected the Soviet appeal for a peace parley, Lenin proposed to hold immediate talks with Germany alone, to conclude a peace treaty, withdraw from the war and so to avert a German offensive. Although German imperialism had put forward extremely harsh terms, Lenin believed that it was necessary to make compromise with Germany for a breathing space, in order to build up the Red Army before it could repulse the joint attacks by the bourgeoisie both at home and abroad. Lenin's proposal was opposed by the enemy both within and outside the Party. At his insistence, however, Soviet Russia succeeded in signing with Germany the Treaty of Brest Litovsk in March 1918. This was an application of the flexible tactic of avoiding a showdown with imperialism when conditions were unfavourable to the proletariat and of making use of the contradictions among the imperialists to ensure the survival of the Soviet regime. The next thing to do was to establish ties with the neighbouring small and medium-sized countries. In 1920 and 1921, it

succeeded in establishing diplomatic relations with many countries, including Finland, Estonia, Lithuania, Poland, Turkey and Persia. After this, making use of the contradictions between the victor nations and the defeated countries, it sought out the latter and established trade and friendly relations with the developed capitalist countries in Western Europe. In April 1922, the Soviet delegate to the conference of Genoa signed the Treaty of Rapallo with Germany under which the two countries were to restore diplomatic relations immediately, and expand trade relations with mutual favored treatment; the two parties declared that they would mutually relinquish claims to indemnities and debt payments. Thus the scheme of U.S., British and French imperialism to force Soviet Russia at the conference to pay up tsarist Russia's old debts came to naught as did their plot to form a new anti-Soviet united front. The Soviet state once again broke through the imperialist encirclement and blockade. Lenin viewed the Treaty of Rapallo as a treaty the Soviet state concluded with a capitalist country on an equal footing, an example of diplomatic success achieved by the Soviet state in its conduct of foreign affairs.

From what has been described above, we can see that neither in theory nor in practice had Lenin divided the world's countries simply into two groups, capitalist and socialist; nor had he looked on imperialism as a monolithic entity. On the contrary, he ingeniously combined upholding the supreme interests of the proletariat and revolutionary principles with the tactics of uniting with all forces that can be united, making use of contradictions and dealing blows at the principal enemy in the struggle. This brilliant example provided by Lenin is still to this day something we should learn from in real earnest.



Chairman Mao taught us "Unite the Many to Defeat the Few."

Tupelo Mississippi:

A FOCAL POINT FOR SELF-DETERMINATION AND DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS STRUGGLE IN THE BLACK BELT SOUTH'

On Saturday, November 27, 1978, 1800 demonstrators comprised of working blacks and whites, children, students, M-L organizations and general supporters marched with the UNITED LEAGUE through the Black community and downtown district of Tupelo, Mississippi, while some 30-35 white Klu Klux Klansmen (unhooded) brandished axe handles and shotguns within 1/2 block of the march route. The marchers rallied in front of City Hall in Tupelo to listen to statements by the United League and solidarity messages from supporting organizations.

In the Black Belt South, a region stretching from Delaware to Texas, 1600 miles long and 300 miles deep, Afro-Americans since the betrayal and destruction of reconstruction governments and the imposition of rigid segregation and racial discrimination in this area and due to the existence of historically irrefutable conditions paralleling J. Stalin's classical Marxist-Leninist definition of a nation, "a historically constituted stable community of people, based on a common territory, language, economic life, and a common psychological development manifested as a common culture", constituted an Afro-American nation which still exists today. The Afro-American nation exists today in this geographical area where the majority of Afro American people still live in concentration (52%), the rest of the black population dispersed outside of this region, is concentrated mainly in 26 major urban centers throughout the U.S. The Afro-American nation in the Black Belt South is oppressed by U.S. imperialism in the same manner as imperialism oppresses other nations in the Third World, like Africa, Latin America, South East Asia, etc.

cheap labor force and great natural resources, and under-developed markets. Tupelo, a town of 21,000 serves as the retail trading center for the Northeast part of Mississippi. The Tennessee Valley Authority provides cheap electricity secondarily for its residents but primarily for industrial use. As a result of multinational corporations like Rockwell International and FMC, Tupelo's low-wage non-unionized labor force has grown rapidly in recent years. Tupelo's per capita income soared nearly 58% between 1969 and 1975 from \$2859 to \$4515. At the same time there was a parallel rise of Klan activity, led by Grand Dragon Douglas Coen, a former Pennsylvania cop.

Among the demands for equality in local election laws, an end to racially segregated unions and creation of more unions, more jobs for blacks in local businesses and city government, A MAJOR demand put forth by the UNITED LEAGUE during the March and rally is that ALL KLANSMEN BE IMMEDIATELY REMOVED FROM THE POLICE FORCE AND LOCAL JUDICIARY. The Klan in the Tupelo Police department are responsible for systematically beating and shooting, and lynching blacks who are often arrested on bogus charges. And the Klan "judiciary" have consistently denied legal measures to halt such actions. The Klan has actively sought to heighten racial tensions between poor working whites and blacks in Tupelo.

Although the UNITED LEAGUE was founded in 1966 in Holly Springs, a town of 6,000 mostly black residents, 50 miles from Tupelo, the UNITED LEAGUE has local white members and UL leadership quickly points out that the struggle in Tupelo is not a

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Tupelo's United League is typical of organizations that develop in struggle

against national oppression in the Black Belt South.

Tupelo is a graphic example of U.S. imperialism's exploitation and oppression of the Afro American nation. The per capita income for that area where Tupelo is located, (Northern Miss.) was \$2,853 in 1975, less than half the national average of \$5,902. The average income of whites in the North in 1971 was \$8,937, of Blacks, \$5,360; of whites in the South, \$7,963, of Blacks in the South, \$4,283. The combined average income of both blacks and whites in the Black Belt was \$3,846 in 1971. The lowest in the U.S.

The November 27th March in Tupelo and earlier democratic struggles by the UNITED LEAGUE, the predominantly black, grassroots rights organization, founded and led by Alfred "Skip" Robinson, are in direct response to U.S. imperialism's attempt to divert its ever declining economic stability by relocating its multinational corporations from Northern and Midwestern locations into the Black Belt South, to further maximize upon a

black-white confrontation, but one of poor blacks and whites opposing "Big Corporation money" and their Klan lackies who seek to divide workers in that area. A clear Anti-imperialist line.

RCL along with other identifiable M-L organizations (CPML, LPR, WVO) were present during the November 27th march and rally that started from the Augustus Community Center in the black section of Tupelo and marched down the main street of Tupelo to within a 1/2 block of the U.S. Post Office which was ringed by unhooded Klansmen (30-35) flashing axe handles and shotguns to intimidate the marchers.

However there were no Communist speakers at the rally and no communist lines put forth from the mike because we, RCL and the other genuine M-L forces present, identifiable and unidentifiable, had not done our mass work. RCL and most of the ARCM are still guilty of committing the "left" error of failing to do day-to-day work

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get a chance to look what's called Liberalism straight in its runny eyes-it is always a cover for the right and ultimately even fascism, as the Germans found out as their own social-democrat Liberals tricked them into thinking that no revolution was necessary that collaboration with the bourgeoisie could bring real change. It brought real change alright, Nazism, and the murder of millions before that fascism was stopped.

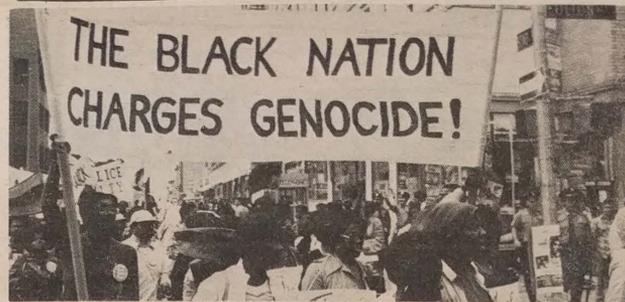
...DESPITE THE GENERAL POSITIVENESS OF THE MARCH AND DEMONSTRATION, HOWEVER, ONCE THE MARCHERS WERE LED INTO A SIDE STREET NEAR CITY HALL, FOR A PREARRANGED RALLY, THE RALLY ITSELF PROVED FAR LESS THAN POSITIVE. THE PROBLEM WAS THAT SPEAKER AFTER SPEAKER REPRESENTED ONLY THE ELECTORAL POLITICIANS, MINISTERS, NATIONALISTS, AND MORE "MILITANT" LIBERALS (THAN THE KOCH VARIETY) AND SOCIAL DEMOCRATS.

...In fact so backward was the rally that Flo Kennedy the batty Lesbian-Feminist (sic) was first on the program and led a chorus line of her cohorts in the worst version of an old civil rights battle person we have ever heard. Was this plain out contempt for the women's movement that the narrow nationalist core of leadership of the Black United Front was showing? Why Flo Kennedy, in her clown get-up, complete with a red, black and green cape and hundreds of different buttons? Minstrel Kennedy and one other woman, the mother of Victor Rhodes, the brother who was attacked by the Hassidic vigilantes were also the ONLY women speakers (and Kennedy just yodeled) on the program! Otherwise there were no women visible at all.

...Throughout the program there was not one mention of Revolution, Imperialism, Capitalism or Socialism! There were no Marxist speakers at all. And

this is an incredible self putdown to the Marxists obviously involved in putting together this march. How could any Marxist organizations have participated in the front, yet failed to see that at least one Marxist speaker was represented. And the main thrust of our criticism must be SELF CRITICISM, since RCL has attended most meetings of the front. But also, CPML, LPR have been present. It is obvious that the Left sectarianism that still rips the anti-revisionist communist movement is very much evident. A few years ago there would have been automatic caucuses among the M-Ls and a common speaker agreed on in such a situation. But now sectarianism, small group mentality still dominate, and so the field is left open to narrow nationalists, bourgeois feminists, social democrats and practicing metaphysicians to confuse the people with all sorts of FINALLY REFORMIST RHETORIC, when the clear line that exposes national oppression as an outgrowth of imperialism and monopoly capitalism was not stated. The correct line on the AfroAmerican National Question-SELF DETERMINATION FOR THE AFRO AMERICAN NATION IN THE BLACK BELT SOUTH, was at no time sounded. And even the nationalists did not sound the cry of the BLACK NATION because finally their line is reformist, a kind of cultural autonomy which seeks no SELF DETERMINATION but only "black (private) institutions" in the midst of monopoly capitalism with its national oppression of the black nation and denial of democratic rights to blacks everywhere.

...Ironically, one of the best speakers (meaning clearest and most militant) was actor, Ossie Davis-and of course he made no mention of the need for a genuine Marxist-Leninist Communist Party based on Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, nor did he point out how that party had to lead the proletariat to make socialist revolution, which is the only solution to the problem of national oppression and racism or the oppression of women. No, that was the job of the Marxist-Leninists who were standing in the crowd.



Self-Determination For the Afro-American Nation in the Black Belt South! Liberation For the Black Nation! Communist must approach United Front work from the viewpoint

of unifying with what is correct and struggling against incorrect lines in the front, reserving their independence of action at the same time they join in the broadest possible unity to fight imperialism.

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and practice of communism, you must adapt yourselves to specific conditions such as do not exist in the European countries; you must be able to apply that theory and practice to conditions in which the bulk of the population are peasants, and in which the task is to wage a struggle against medieval survivals and not against capitalism...

"The task is to arouse the working masses to revolutionary activity, to independent action and to organization, regardless of the level they have reached; to translate the true communist doctrine, which was intended for the Communists of the more advanced countries, into the language of every people; to carry out those practical tasks which must be carried out immediately, and to join the proletarians of other countries in a common struggle."

"Such are the problems whose solution you will not find in any communist book, but will find in the common struggle begun by Russia. You will have to tackle that problem and solve it through your own independent experience." (Lenin, COLLECTED WORKS, Vol. 30, pg. 161-162.)

Lenin's understanding of the task of making Revolution in the East is quite different from the theoreticians of the PLA! Mao Tsetung chose Leninism! He

had earthshaking results. "Comrade Mao Tsetung not only correctly applied the Marxist-Leninist theories to the reality in Chinese society and developed the Marxist-Leninist theories with the rich and extremely extensive revolutionary experience of the Chinese people, but also scientifically analyzed, with dialectical materialism, the major problems in the revolution of the contemporary era and pointed out the infallibly correct orientation and infinitely broad future for this revolution." (Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile, PR No. 45, 1976, pg. 35)

We must pay close attention to the PLA's philistine attack on the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution. Out of one side of the mouth they say, the PLA "supported the general line of the Cultural Revolution for the liquidation of the capitalist and revisionist elements who had usurped key positions in the Party and state power, though it did not agree over many questions of principle and methods which guided this revolution and were used in it." (PLA Letter, pg 34-35.) Yet, out of the other side of the mouth comes, "The Cultural Revolution, more often than not, preserved the spirit and actions of an unprincipled struggle, WHICH WAS NOT LED BY A GENUINE PARTY OF THE WORKING CLASS (Our Emphasis-Ed.) which should strive for the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat.

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