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## Support General Baker



"And PLEASE don't send anymore  
GENERAL BAKERS"

Historically, the capitalists have attempted to destroy the leaders of the working class. The case of General Baker is no different. Gen Baker has been employed at the Ford Rouge Plant since September of '73. On April 15, 75 General Baker was discharged by the Ford Motor Co. for "securing employment under the use of an alias."

His discharge is an outright violation of the UAW International contract for the Ford Dept. The established practice for the Ford Dept is that there is a twelve month limitation of falsification of application. As established in the Umpire Opinion A-184, May 4, 1954: Why has the Ford Motor Co. chosen to break an agreement that has been on the books for 30 years? One reason is that since his employment at Ford in '73, Gen Baker has been in the lead of the struggle to build the Dearborn Assembly Plant Unemployment Committee, Local 600, into a fighting committee for jobs and peace. Also, Gen Baker has a life history of fighting for all of the democratic rights of the working class. In 1968 Gen was fired from Dodge Main, Local 33, for participating in an "unlawful" work stoppage. Chrysler Corp. and the UAW chose to see only the leadership of General Baker. He and another Negro worker were the only two of those participating who were fired. General Baker then became one of the founding members of the Dodge Revolutionary Union Movement (DRUM) which went on to lead many of the struggles of Negro workers against the historic, white chauvanist discrimination that has been perpetuated against Negro workers since their entry into large factories.

## General Baker cont

As the struggle moved forward, members of DRUM and many other workers from different plants saw the need for clearer and stronger direction of a divided working class. They knew this could only be accomplished through the formation of a true, fighting Communist Party. In September of 74 the Communist Labor Party of the USNA was formed. The CLP is proud to have a worker of General Baker's stature as a member. His case is not that of our individual fighting Ford Motor co., but a fight for the democratic rights of the working class and smash all Fascist, Capitalist attacks on the working class. If General Baker's case is lost, it will be one more victory for the Capitalist in their attempt to destroy the democratic rights for which the working class has fought and died. We must support General Baker, and resist and struggle against all attacks on the working class.

"An injury to one is an injury to all!!"

### MORE LAY-OFFS - 76 MODEL

Losses for the bosses mean as we all know, more lay-offs, more mortgage foreclosures, more speed-up, but importantly more and more of our democratic rights are being taken away. The 1975 model year has been on one hand described as the bottoming out of the recession and on the other a dismal car sales year. Well if this is the bottoming we must have got stuck on the bottom. Or maybe a better way to put it is that more and more of the working class is being put on the bottom. The same Ford Motor Co. who engineered the March 7th, 1932 massacre of workers asking for jobs and a union in the plant, now is laying off more and more and even higher seniority workers are feeling the squeeze. Since we are in a over-production crisis, it means that times are going to get worse and if the unions won't move, which is what we see all the time, then we have got to stop saying how bad the unions are and just leaving it at that. We have to take a stand as a whole in the plant.

A party of and for the working people is needed. Not a sham like the Democratic but a party of the working class who will truly and honestly fight and stop at nothing to achieve true democracy, the dictatorship of the proletariat!

THE FORD TRIBUNE DEMANDS ... FULL EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL!!  
JOBS WITH PEACE!!

# U.S. Labor Party

## Agents and Fascists in disguise

There aren't many of us who are now not aware of the real work and nature of the CIA (Central Intelligence Agency). We can easily see that their true purpose is not to serve and defend the people of this country but to serve the capitalist class, the Fords and Rockefellers, not only abroad in countries like Portugal and Chile, but ~~even here at home.~~

The Capitalist class works in many ways to destroy the unity of workers. It includes supporting fascist gangs like the KKK and the American White People's Party (Nazi's of the USNA) who straight out support white chauvanism. But they also work in disguise.

Many progressive workers, after hard struggle, are beginning to turn turn to communism as the only solution to our problems.

In order to weaken and confuse the struggle of workers, the capitalist class in the USNA has created an organization called the U.S. Labor Party or the National Caucus of Labor Committee. We are not playing name calling games. We speak only from facts.

Let's examine them.

For the last month the US Labor Party has been passing out leaflets at an east-side K-Mart's, declaring a strike. Unfortunately, the workers inside K-Mart's don't know anything about it and the US Labor Party, the "friends of the working people" refuse to speak to the K-Mart workers about it unless they buy one of their papers!!

Closer to home, these agents of the ruling class have attacked our own General Baker, calling him a CIA agent. General Baker's life and practice speaks for itself, as we have said in the above article.

Why does the US Labor Party act this way?

Because regardless of what comes rolling out of their mouths we must always examine the practice. They have shown their true colors and exposed themselves for the dogs they are. The US Labor Party is foolish to believe that they can pull the wool over the workers eyes anymore. We have sense enough to look for ourselves at the true facts and decide our own destiny. And decide we will!

FIGHT THE TRUE ROAD TO SOCIALISM !!

EXPOSE THE REAL AGENTS OF THE CIA !!

WORKERS AND OPPRESSED PEOPLE OF THE WORLD UNITE !!

## OUR POLICY

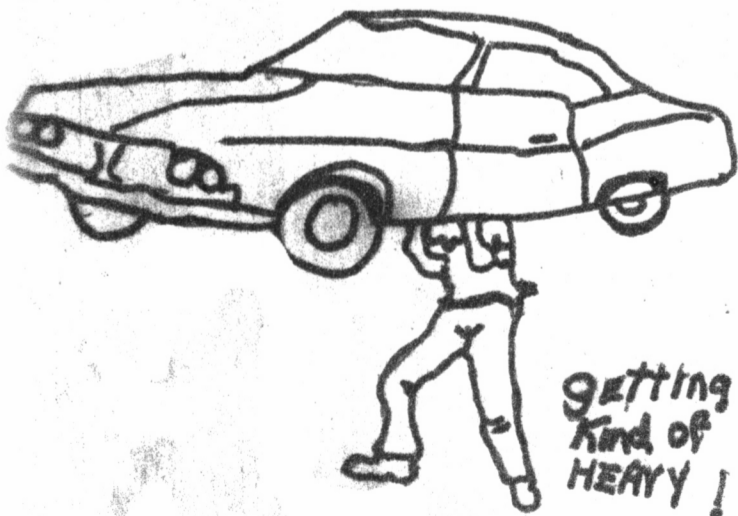
**Nothing to loose  
but our chains . . .**

The pages of the FORD TRIBUNE are open to all workers who wish to speak out against any and all injustices to the working class. Our policy is to print all articles mailed or given to us in the plant. As a communist shop paper it is our duty to speak to all the burning issues which effect workers lives.

The FORD TRIBUNE is produced solely by workers at Ford. We encompass a group of communists and non-communists workers at Rouge who feel that the first step towards organizing ourselves is the production of a newspaper able to speak to the burning issues of the day and offer real solutions to these problems. From time to time there will be articles signed "nucleus" which means they are the position of the communist nucleus at Ford's. We will also carry reprints of articles from the People's Tribune, the national bi-weekly newspaper of the Communist Labor Party of the United States of North America.

Lastly we say "speak out" We've been quiet for too long. Let us speak out against all acts of violence, tyranny, abuse against our working class. We must take our destiny into our own hands and elevate ourselves to the level of masters of society. Then and only then will we realize a decent way of life. We have nothing to loose but our chains, and a whole world to gain!

WORKERS OF ALL NATIONALITIES, UNITE !!!



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