

DEMAND FREEDOM FOR RONNIE LONG

The racist frame-up of Ronnie Long, a 20-year-old Black youth, will be opposed in a mass demonstration Jan. 22 at Caldwell Park in Concord, North Carolina. Concord is a company town controlled by Cannon Textile Mills.

The upcoming protest is drawing the support of many Black and

white workers, especially the non-unionized Cannon Mills workers in the area, to strike a blow at the system of national oppression rooted in the South.

Called by the Ronnie Long Defense Committee, the October League, SCEF, the National Fight-back Organization and the Com-

munist Youth Organization, the demonstration will raise the demands: "Free Ronnie Long," "Down With the Klan," "Self-Determination for the Afro-American Nation," and "Organize Cannon Mills."

The Ronnie Long case illustrates how the capitalists use po-

lice terror and racial injustice to oppress Afro-Americans and keep the whole working-class movement down. Long was falsely accused last April of "raping" the wife of a white executive of Cannon Mills, the big capitalist enterprise that dominates the economic and political life of the whole area.

Cannon Mills saw to it that an all-white jury was selected to hear the case. The jury returned a guilty verdict Oct. 1, sentencing Long to two consecutive life terms.

After the verdict, hundreds of workers in Concord's Black com-

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Rockefeller men form Carter's brain trust

The Cabinet of IBM and Coca-Cola

As the January 20th changing of the capitalist guard in Washington takes place, the U.S. working class is faced with a new "brain trust," now being assembled around Jimmy Carter.

The new faces in the cabinet will in no way change the nature of U.S. imperialism or end its attacks on the workers and oppressed people in the U.S. and throughout the world. This new group of corporation executives, liberal political hacks and professors are all open representatives of the biggest monopolies in the country.

Carter's so-called "People's Inauguration," with all its extravagant pomp and merrymaking, reflects the hopes of the imperialists that at last a new leader has come to rescue their crumbling system and "bring the country back together again." Carter's liberal image, his new-found praise of Martin Luther King and his promises of "revolutionary" changes in government are all designed to

spread just such dreams.

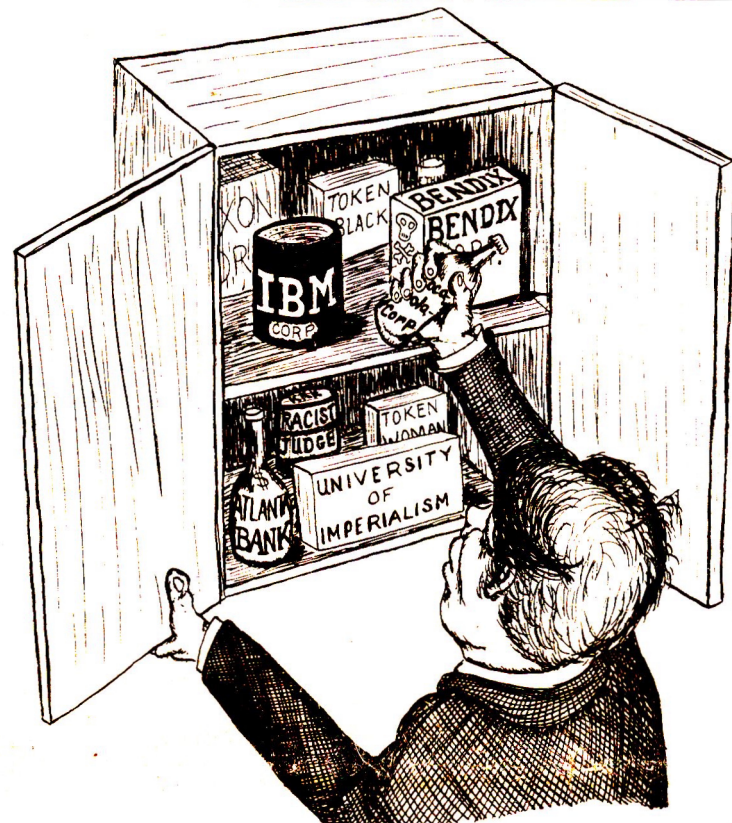
The reality behind this facade is exposed by Carter's cabinet choices. Probably the clearest case in point is the appointment of arch-segregationist Griffin Bell to the post of Attorney General. Bell is a walking exposure of Carter's liberalism. A lifelong friend of Carter, a law partner of one of Carter's chief advisers and a long-time Kennedy man, Bell has the

Articles of Secession of the Confederacy displayed prominently on his office wall.

He is the chief lawyer for Coca-Cola, a corporation that has a strong hold on Carter. The special credentials that won Bell favor with the ruling class included his role in engineering Georgia's school segregation system and his decision as judge to bar Black legislator Julian Bond from his seat in 1966.

Claiming to be a "moderate" on the question of school integration, Bell is actually a strong backer of the segregationist "ethnic purity" stand which Carter popu-

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Palestinian Leader Released After Frame-Up Fails

The French government was forced to release Palestinian revolutionary Abu Daoud last week, only days after he had been jailed on the frame-up charge of "masterminding" the attack on Israeli athletes at the 1972 Olympics in Munich.

Despite strong pressure from the international Zionist movement as well as the U.S. and Israel, the French government dropped

the charges against Daoud, a member of the Revolutionary Command of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). The charges were dropped both because the evidence was non-existent and because tremendous mass support was immediately mobilized for Daoud inside France and throughout the Arab world.

On arrival in Algiers, where he was flown after his release from

France, Daoud stated clearly, "I am innocent, and I think the charges against me are a fabrication invented by the Israelis and the Zionists."

Daoud said that he wanted to go to Germany to stand trial in order to prove his innocence. He also explained the PLO's goal of establishing a democratic state

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MOURNERS at funeral of Palestinian revolutionary Mahmoud Saleh also condemned frame-up of Abu Daoud.

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THE TEN MAJOR RELATIONSHIPS

In a special supplement this week, The Call is publishing Mao Tsetung's historic speech of 1956, "On the Ten Major Relationships."

This speech given by Chairman Mao to a meeting of the Political Bureau of the Party Central Committee, is a brilliant work of Marxism-Leninism. Published for the first time last December 25, the speech is currently being studied by millions of people in China as a weapon for criticizing the counter-revolutionary "gang of four."

Analyzing 10 relationships and contradictions in Chinese society, Chairman Mao clearly pointed out that classes and class struggle still exist under socialism. His speech criticized the shortcomings of the Soviet Union, even under Stalin's revolutionary leadership, and indicated the danger of capitalist restoration which could result from the incorrect handling of these contradictions. He forcefully refuted the incorrect lines that existed inside China on the questions of socialist construction.

The basic policy for building socialism is summed up by Chairman Mao as "mobilizing all positive factors, internal and external, to serve the cause of socialism" and "build China into a powerful socialist country."

Pursuing this revolutionary policy, the late Premier Chou En-lai in 1975 put forward the call to "build China into a modern socialist state by the year 2000." But Premier Chou's call was bitterly opposed by the "gang."

In complete opposition to the line expressed in "On the Ten Major Relationships," the "gang" preached incorrect handling of these 10 contradictions. They hoped that China could be thrown into turmoil, enabling them to seize power and restore capitalism. For this reason, Chairman Mao's article is a powerful polemic against their line.

The impact of Mao Tsetung's revolutionary teachings on our times can be seen from the fact that all over the world people are studying this newly-released document. In many countries, Marxist-Leninist newspapers have republished "On the Ten Major Relationships" to ensure its widest possible circulation.

We call on all our readers to study this historic document and learn from its rich contents. This will provide a deeper understanding of the great victory that has been won over the "gang" as well as a more profound understanding of the science of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought.

(Next week, the article will be published in a Spanish supplement in El Clarin).



PILSEN FIRE killed 17 people, including many small children. (Call photo)

DEMAND EQUALITY OF LANGUAGES

The recent fires in Pilsen barrio of Chicago, which caused the death of 17 Chicanos—men, women and children—show in a brutal way that the struggle for equality of languages is a life-and-death question to millions of Spanish-speaking people in this country.

The inability of the firemen to understand what was taking place during the fire or to communicate rescue instructions has been condemned by the community as a factor contributing to the high death count.

But no sooner had the smoke cleared from the burnt-out slum dwellings than the capitalists, landlords, and their newspapers launched a wild propaganda campaign to blame the victims of the fires themselves for the problem because they could not speak English.

When Pilsen residents won a concession from the city to begin a crash course in Spanish for all firemen, the capitalist press countered with demands that the city's Latinos should be made to learn English instead. Jack Gallapo, head of the Firemen's Union, put it bluntly: "This is America, let them speak English."

There are only seven Latino firemen on the

whole force in Chicago. Discriminatory hiring policies, together with the miserable, unsafe housing conditions in Pilsen, are a glaring exposure of the whole system of capitalism, which is based in great measure on the exploitation and oppression of millions of Latinos.

The inequality of languages is institutionalized by the ruling class, which makes millions of dollars in profits by keeping Latino workers on the bottom rung of the society. The "official" status of English is used to bar Latino workers from the trade unions, keep them in the lowest-paying jobs and force them to live in ghetto conditions paying exorbitant rents.

The suppression of the Spanish language is also used to keep the working class divided. For example, labor contracts are published in English only, thereby weakening the unified struggle of the whole working class.

For these reasons and many more, communists call for the complete equality of languages in society, with no "official" language. This demand is part of our struggle against imperialism and its plunder of the Spanish-speaking countries, as well as against the exploitation and oppression of the Spanish-speaking national minorities here in the U.S.

Under socialism, the equality of languages would be protected by the law and backed up by the power of the working class. The Pilsen fires show that the fight for this equality and for the full democratic rights for Chicanos and other Latinos must be intensified now.

EXECUTION OF GARY GILMORE

With the execution Jan. 17 of Gary Gilmore by a Utah firing squad, the ruling class has clearly shown its intention to embark on a "legal" killing spree against the hundreds of workers sitting on death row.

Although Gilmore was white, the special targets of capitalism's "legal" lynching program are Afro-Americans and other minority workers who make up the majority of death row inmates. For these men and women, "justice" is a cruel joke that has no relation to the racist trials, lying prosecutors, and brutal national oppression which brought them under the shadow of the executioner.

The capitalists also hope to make hay out of the fact that Gilmore supposedly "wanted" to die. They hope it will be easier to execute political prisoners like young Gary Tyler, the Black frame-up victim sentenced to die in Louisiana.

Over 400 other prisoners have the death penalty hanging over their heads. Already, the capitalists are planning more executions in the next few weeks.

Mass action of the working people of all nationalities is necessary to stop the death penalty, which is a weapon in the hands of the ruling class for suppression of the people.

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Dear readers of *The Call/El Clarin*:

Recently President Ford publicized his idea of making Puerto Rico a state.

In my opinion, this shouldn't happen, because U.S. imperialism would just swindle the Puerto Rican people with high prices and taxes. We would be forced to speak English and our land rights would be stolen. This would be a catastrophe.

I believe that Puerto Rico, which is now oppressed and has nothing, should be independent. With independence, we'll be free from both U.S. and Soviet imperialism. We must be free so imperialism can't rob us.

For the U.S., Puerto Rico is an island of profits where Puerto Rican workers are slaves in U.S.-owned factories. Soviet imperialism has the same interest as U.S. imperialism, so we must struggle against it, too.

I don't believe Puerto Rico will be a state. Puerto Rico would not gain from statehood; this is only publicity to deceive Puerto Ricans.

I hope you agree with me—that we

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must continue to struggle against imperialism, U.S. and Soviet.

A compatriot in struggle for Puerto Rican independence, Lynn, Mass.

To The Editor:

Nearly every day in the last few weeks, the working people have heard "important" announcements about who is being appointed to what high position when Carter takes office. It's only the richly-paid imperialist spokesmen—Brzezinski, Schlesinger, etc.—who are getting the fat jobs that the Republicans will have to leave.

This is the very lesson that Lenin taught in *The State and Revolution* back in 1917. He said that the state under capitalism is controlled by the "omnipotence of wealth" which "establishes its power so securely, so firmly, that no change, either of persons, of institutions or of parties in the bourgeois-democratic republic, can shake it."

He goes on to show what happened in Russia when the tsar was deposed and the bourgeoisie took power. "The official posts which formerly were given by preference to members of the Black Hundreds have now become the spoils of the Cadets, Mensheviks and Socialist-Revolutionaries."

Lenin goes on to show how the working people come to understand this. With the leadership of a party, they will come to see they must "concentrate all their forces of destruction" against the state. Overcoming the treachery of the revisionists, we will regard our problem as one not of reforming or perfecting the state, but of smashing it totally and setting up a workers' dictatorship.

A New York reader

Demand grows for normal U.S.-China relations

As the fifth anniversary of the Shanghai Communique approaches, the U.S. government has repeatedly retreated from the Communique's pledge to normalize relations with the People's Republic of China. The incoming Carter administration has shown signs that it will continue the anti-China policy which prevailed under Ford.

The major barrier to improving U.S. ties with China is the continued military, economic and political intervention by the U.S. imperialists in China's Taiwan Province.

Refusing to withdraw from Taiwan, they have also consistently sacrificed U.S.-China relations on the altar of "detente." This policy of appeasing Soviet social-imperialism in reality only heightens the danger and speeds the outbreak of superpower war.

The Soviet Union has publicly stated that it considers the improvement of U.S.-China relations—and removal of U.S. forces from Taiwan—contrary to "detente." In other words, both superpowers support the Taiwan clique and both have consistently opposed the normalization of U.S.-China relations.

A mass movement is growing in opposition to this policy. On November 30 in Washington D.C. a spirited demonstration was organized by the October League to protest a "two-China" conference. This conference was sponsored by supporters of the reactionary Taiwan ruling clique, including the AFL-CIO.

The demonstrators demanded: "One China, U.S. Out of Taiwan!" and "Stop Fascist Oppression on Taiwan!" The demonstration addressed itself particularly to working class and minority people, who have the most to gain from closer ties between the U.S. and

socialist China.

A mass leafletting was done at a factory organized by the United Paper Workers, a supporter of the conference, exposing the labor bureaucrats' stand on the side of the imperialists.

On January 8, another action hit out at the fascist repression of the Taiwan clique as 100 people demonstrated in front of the Taiwan Consulate in Boston. The demonstration was sponsored by the Boston chapter of the U.S.-China People's Friendship Association, Boston area overseas Chinese and the October League.

Another important meeting sponsored by the USCPFA recently was the National Leadership Conference on U.S.-China Relations in Washington, D.C., last December. Attended by over 300 people, the conference helped broaden the united front movement for normal relations with China by including clergymen, sports figures, businessmen and students.

Most recently, the USCPFA has called for a mass campaign to expand the movement with a variety of national and local activities, including petitions, education programs, demonstrations and further conferences.

The target date for many of these events is February 28. This is not only the anniversary of the Shanghai Communique, but also the 30th anniversary of the Tai-



MARCH through San Francisco Chinatown reflects people's demand to normalize relations with China.

wan uprising, when thousands of Taiwanese people rose up in militant struggle against the reactionary Chiang Kai-shek ruling clique.

This campaign will be an important means of expanding the

USCPFA and bringing the issue of U.S.-China policy to more people. By relying on the masses of American people and waging a militant struggle against the anti-China policies of both super-

powers, the campaign can play an important role in bringing about normal relations between the U.S. and the People's Republic and promoting friendship between the two peoples.

RACIST ATTACK ON FILIPINAS Nurses fight frame-up

A U.S. government attempt to frame two Filipina nurses on murder charges in Michigan has become the object of international protest against imperialist exploitation of immigrant workers.

In an attempt to cover up the suspicious deaths of five patients at a Veteran's Administration hospital in Ann Arbor, hospital authorities have charged Leonora Perez and Filipina Narciso with the killings.

In the summer of 1975, over 50 patients at the hospital suffered

respiratory arrests within a period of a few months, resulting in five deaths. Investigators attributed the deaths to large doses of Pavulon, a muscle relaxant, which had been injected into the feeding tubes.

After stalling for several months—and only after the deaths received nation-wide attention—the hospital authorities brought in the FBI to investigate. The FBI quickly zeroed in on the two Filipinas, hoping to make them the scapegoats and close the case.

Behind this racist frame-up lies

the capitalist oppression of workers and patients in U.S. hospitals, especially the large number of minority women hospital workers.

Two weeks before the series of deaths occurred, 57 nurses signed a petition protesting staff shortages and demanding more help. Now prosecutors are using this protest as "evidence" against Perez and Narciso, alleging that the murders were an attempt to "draw attention" to the conditions and force the hospital to hire more nurses.

This frame-up is an example of the systematic discrimination faced by Filipino-Americans and has attracted broad support. In the Philippines, the Daily Express called the case a "lynching" and pointed to the "great American tradition" of injustice against foreign-born workers. "We do not intend to allow this," it said. "The country must fight back."

In the U.S., defense committees have been formed in several cities, especially in Filipino communities, and support is growing in preparation for the trial which begins the first week in February. A defense committee leaflet pointed out: "It is clear that an assault against one is an assault against the whole Filipino community."



FILIPINA NARCISO



LEONIE PEREZ

ROBERT ARNOLD DEFENSE VICTORY

The fight to free Robert Arnold, a young Black man, won an important victory two weeks ago. The U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals was forced to overturn his racist murder-robbery conviction and 99-year sentence, and ordered the state of Tennessee to either drop the charges or hold a new trial. Arnold has already served 5 years of this sentence.

The conviction was overturned because of the blatantly racist practices of the judge and prosecutor. They inflamed the prejudices of the all-white trial jury with remarks about the relationship of one of Arnold's co-defendants with a white woman.

The federal judges felt that a racist frame-up like Arnold's must be conducted more "judiciously" and with less of a lynch-mob style, so as not to arouse the opposi-

tion of the masses.

The court heard Arnold's appeal on Dec. 6 in Cincinnati, Ohio, as demonstrators picketed and then packed the courtroom to demand that Arnold be set free. The demonstration was organized by the Committee to Free Robert Arnold, the Southern Conference Educational Fund (SCEF), Workers United for Jobs and Justice, and the October League.

Over 3,000 signatures have already been collected on petitions from people throughout the country who recognize that the trial was a racist frame-up. The Committee to Free Robert Arnold sees this broad mass support as crucial in the defense effort. At a Jan. 11 press conference, they stated, "Only the organized forces of the people supporting Robert Arnold can assure his freedom."

Capitalism kills for \$18

Eugene Kuhn, 74 years old, was murdered on January 3. The killer, Ohio Edison Co., is still at large.

Because he owed an \$18 electric bill, Ohio Edison Company turned off Kuhn's heat on January 3 during the worst cold wave in years. Kuhn froze to death in his home, where the temperature was 9 degrees when his body was found on January 10.

Earl Carey, superintendent of collections for Ohio Edison, excused the death by saying Kuhn "had been warned repeatedly" to pay up.

The Ohio Edison monopoly and others like it all over the country gouge billions of dollars from the masses of people every year. Threatening to cut off the heat in mid-winter is just one of their gangster tactics.

This practice has resulted in death for many elderly and poor people, whose limited fixed incomes can't meet the inflated charges of the utility monopolies. Kuhn's death was not called "murder" by the capitalist press, but how else can it be described?



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3 REVOLUTIONARIES MURDERED IN BRAZIL

Three leading members of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Brazil (PC do B) have been murdered by the fascist military regime of General Ernesto Geisel. According to sources in Brazil, Pedro Pomar, Angelo Arroyo and Joao Batista Drumond were shot to death by police and army units in a house raid in Sao Paulo December 16.

Pedro Pomar was the party's leader, a communist veteran with five decades experience in the working-class and peasant movements. Pomar, along with Arroyo, initiated and led the fight inside the Brazilian Communist Party (PCB) against revisionism in the 1950s. They opposed the line of Khrushchev and his Brazilian followers on "peaceful transition to socialism" and "peaceful co-existence."

Under the firm leadership of comrades like Pomar and Arroyo, Brazilian Marxist-Leninists broke with the revisionist clique of Carlos Prestes that controlled the PCB and, in February of 1962, reorganized their party as the PC do B. This was the first Marxist-Leninist party to be formed through struggle against modern revisionism in the Western Hemisphere, and it set an example for many other Marxist-Leninists.

Pomar was an exemplary communist. Physically tortured and weakened from years of imprisonment, he never abandoned

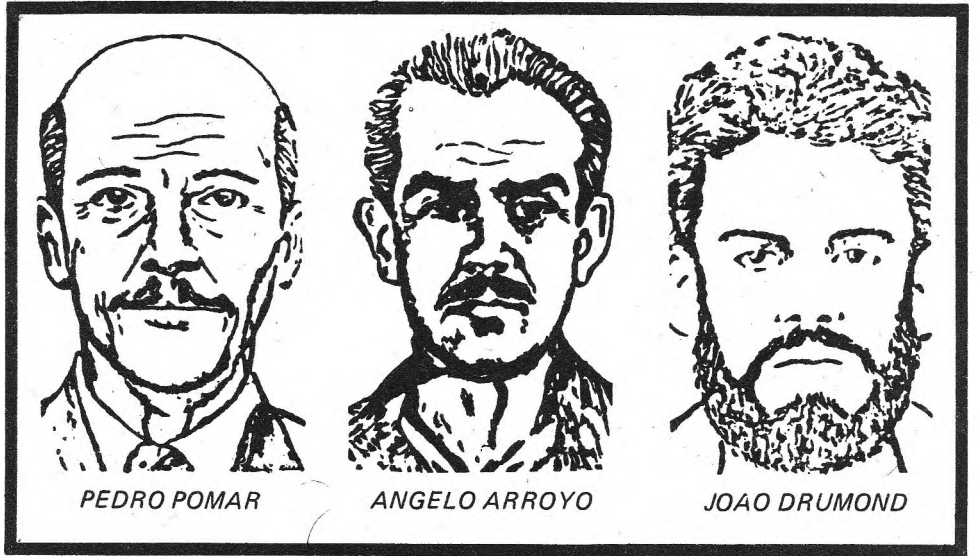
his place as leader of the Brazilian masses.

Under his leadership, the PC do B has been in the forefront of the struggle against the fascist Geisel government and the two superpowers, the U.S. and the Soviet Union. Recently the party has been active in exposing Soviet ambitions in Latin America.

In 1975, for example, the PC do B condemned the Havana meeting of 24 revisionist Latin American parties and organizations under the direction of the Soviet Union.

"It is of utmost importance," they wrote, "that the working class and peoples of Latin America draw clear lines of demarcation between the Marxist-Leninists and the revisionists, between the revolutionaries and the reformists. They must understand that firm support for our struggles will never come from the Soviet superpower, which is interested only in dominating Latin America and the rest of the world. Support will come instead from the genuinely socialist countries like China and Albania, from the proletarian revolutionary movement worldwide and from the peoples who are fighting for their national liberation."

Within Brazil, the PC do B has led the building of a broad united front of workers and peasants and patriotic forces to oppose the Geisel dictatorship. They participated in the massive demonstrations of 1968, de-



PEDRO POMAR

ANGELO ARROYO

JOAO DRUMOND

HEROIC BRAZILIAN MARTYRS.

manding democratic rights and an end to fascist rule. Since 1972, the PC do B has played a leading role in developing the armed resistance of the peasants in the Northeast of Brazil.

The Geisel dictatorship has responded to the mass uprisings and struggles by sending out huge military and police forces against the people. Genocidal attacks against Indians followed, together with massacres of peasants and severe repression against the working class.

The fascists aimed their guns at the communist leadership in particular, murdering thousands of revolutionaries in recent years. Four other leading Central Committee members of the PC do B were brutally assassinated in 1973: Carlos Danielli, Lincoln Roque, Lincoln Oest and Luis Guil-

hardini. Over 2,000 party members are presently held in the regime's jails.

But repression has not ended the struggles of the heroic Brazilian people. The enormous loss suffered with the death of Pomar, Arroyo and Drumond last month will only spark a greater resistance and bring forward new leaders steeled in battle.

Already, a movement is developing in Brazil and around the world to demand the release of 12 other comrades who were seized by the Geisel regime at the same time the three leaders were murdered.

The October League joins together with Marxist-Leninist parties and organizations around the world in condemning these fascist murders and in renewing support and solidarity for the Brazilian people's struggle and the PC do B.

10,000 MEXICAN CHILDREN POISONED BY U.S. COMPANY

By a worker-correspondent from Davis Pleating Co. in Los Angeles—
(translated from Spanish)

Ciudad Juarez, Mexico—Medical examinations performed last month among residents of this Mexican border town revealed that 10,000 children have been contaminated by the chemical wastes of the American Smelting and Refining Co. (ASARCO) of El Paso, Texas.

The examinations, performed by the Mexican Secretariat of Environmental Improvements, showed that the Mexican children suffered from lead, arsenic and cadmium poisoning. The report of the Secretariat also stated that in 90 years of operation, ASARCO has discharged more than

180,000 tons of toxic lead dust through its smokestacks. Even though the plant is located on the U.S. side of the border, the winds blow the dust over the homes of the poorest workers of Ciudad Juarez.

The 10,000 poisoned Mexican children are only the latest in a list of victims of ASARCO poisoning. In 1972, ASARCO's waste contaminated the community of Smeltown in El Paso so badly that the company was forced to relocate residents and financially compensate the families of 278 lead-poisoned children.

In spite of these measures, ASARCO continues to poison its workers and residents on both sides of the border. Its subsidiary in the Mexican city of Monclova

poisoned countless Mexicans through discharges of toxic wastes into the area's irrigation waters. The report of the Mexican government stated that the Monclova River has been rendered useless as a source of drinking water and irrigation.

U.S. spokesmen have tried to sidetrack the people's struggle against this poisonous pollution by charging that the "main problem" in this area is not the poisoning, but the "drug traffic" and the "traffic of illegal aliens." But the real problem is the U.S. capitalists, who super-exploit cheap Mexican labor, especially in the border area, and are responsible for the poisoning of tens of thousands of people.



World communists support Chairman Hua Kuo-feng

Marxist-Leninist parties and organizations all over the world have joined in hailing China's victory over the "gang of four" and voicing their confidence in Chairman Hua Kuo-feng as the successor to Chairman Mao Tsetung's great cause.

The importance of the victory over the "gang's" attempts at capitalist restoration extends far beyond the borders of China and is being studied and summed up by communists and revolutionaries everywhere.

The radio station "Voice of the People of Thailand" pointed out in a recent broadcast that the "gang of four" actually threatened to take over party and state power in China. This brought the Chinese Party and people face to face with "the danger of the Party becoming revisionist and the state changing its political color." Due to the decisive communist stand of Chairman Hua and the Communist Party, this potential setback was successfully prevented.

The government of Democratic Kampuchea (formerly Cambodia) held a banquet honoring

Chinese guests in the capital, Phnom Penh, on December 24. Kampuchean Deputy Prime Minister Von Vet said: "The 800 million Chinese people under the leadership of the Party Central Committee headed by Chairman Hua unite as one, persist in the revolutionary line of their leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung, take class struggle as the key link, and adhere to proletarian internationalism."

Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea, expressed his complete confidence that the Chinese Communist Party under the leadership of Comrade Hua would continue to carry out Chairman Mao Tsetung's behests. The Central Committees of the Communist Parties of Burma, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand and North Kalimantan were among the many who expressed similar confidence based upon the victories already won.

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Philippines pointed out in its message to the Chinese Party that "after the restoration of capital-

ism in the Soviet Union, your victory is all the more significant to the proletarian revolutionary cause."

A leader of the Communist Party of Indonesia, Jusuf Adjitorop, painted a picture of a pine tree and wrote an accompanying poem, praising Chairman Hua Kuo-feng as a "sturdy pine tree," "standing rock firm."

Laikos Dromos (People's Road), a Greek weekly, printed an article called "The Chinese People Have Crushed Their Class Enemies."

"Millions of Chinese people stood around the Party Central Committee to crush the Gang of Four and their conspiracies," the article said, showing the world "what a strong Party and people had been brought up by Chairman Mao."

On January 10, Chairman Hua Kuo-feng met in Peking with the delegation of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Honduras (Marxist-Leninist). The leader of the Honduran delegation, welcoming the appointment of Chairman Hua and the defeat of the "gang

of four," pointed out: "These two related events signify that on the one hand Chairman Mao Tsetung's proletarian revolutionary line has been affirmed and proletarian dictatorship in China consolidated, and on the other hand, the attempt of the bourgeoisie and the revisionists to restore capitalism in China has again been frustrated."

Oscar Zamora Medinaceli, leader of the Bolivian Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist), hailed the victory in a letter congratulating Chairman Hua Kuo-feng. General-Secretary Oscar Creydt of the Communist Party of Paraguay said that the smashing of the "gang" "has further strengthened our trust in China. Our conviction in the worldwide victory of the proletarian revolution has become firmer than ever."

Having recently visited China, Swedish writer Jan Myrdal was interviewed last month by "Klassekampen" (Class Struggle), the newspaper of the Workers' Communist Party of Norway (Marxist-Leninist). Myrdal

pointed out that it is incorrect to describe the "gang of four" as "ultra-leftists." The "gang of four," he said, "is a small clique of ultra-rightists." "Those who do not recognize class struggle," he added, "will be unable to understand what has happened in China."

Along with the above quoted statements, dozens of other Marxist-Leninist parties and organizations have affirmed their support for the Chinese Communist Party and Chairman Hua. (The statements of a number of other parties were excerpted in *The Call* December 27, 1976.) China's Hsinhua News Agency, in a year-end survey of the statements that have been made internationally, stated:

"People are jubilant and express firm support that the 800 million Chinese people have once again found a wise leader in Chairman Hua and that the Chinese proletariat has once again won a decisive victory in defeating an attack by the bourgeoisie at a crucial moment."

STEEL UNION ELECTION FEB. 8 SADLOWSKI & McBRIDE WORKING FOR BOSSES

All the big capitalists and their labor lieutenants have taken sides in the United Steel Workers (USW) election contest between Ed Sadlowski and Lloyd McBride. Sadlowski is the favorite of the liberals, while McBride has the backing of the old-guard labor bureaucrats, including retiring USW president I.W. Abel.

The October League and many rank-and-file steelworkers have called for a boycott of the Feb. 8 elections because workers have nothing to gain and everything to lose by pinning their hopes on either candidate.

The purpose of these elections is to determine which misleader and what policies will be used to keep the rank-and-file steel workers in line during this important contract year. The bosses and bureaucrats alike fear the growing revolutionary consciousness among the workers.

Control over this 1.4 million-member union brings much more than a \$75,000-a-year salary and a plush office. The victor in this struggle will also gain an important post on the AFL-CIO executive board in time to choose George Meany's successor. The sharp

struggle between the conservative McBride and liberal Sadlowski in the USW is just a preliminary bout in the fight for leadership positions in the AFL-CIO.

In the past two weeks, accusations by the two candidates over who gets their money from whom have been exchanged.

But all this talk is only a trick to cover up the fact that both candidates are hard at work for the capitalists. Neither candidate has put forward any kind of fighting program for steel workers.

While Sadlowski and McBride hurl insults at each other and use

union meetings to drum up support for their own slates, the majority of steel workers in this country are facing another wave of layoffs, deteriorating work conditions and more discriminatory attacks.

Rank-and-file demands to smash the no-strike agreement, win job security, and end discrimination and the racist Consent Decree have hardly been mentioned by McBride or Sadlowski. At most, these demands are used by the candidates as ammunition against each other in their battle for power.

Sadlowski poses the greatest danger in this campaign of phony promises because his appeal is aimed at the section of the workforce most disgusted with the Abel leadership and most open to change.

Over the past decade, increasing numbers of steel workers have voiced opposition to Abel's rule

over the union. They have denounced his sellout to the steel bosses on the right to strike, his attacks on the demands of minority and women workers, and his concern for steel company profits while hundreds of thousands of workers have been thrown out of the mills.

It should be no surprise that, under the circumstances, the capitalists have brought out Sadlowski, wearing the label of "insurgent," and waving the anti-Abel banner. It was under this same banner three years ago that Sadlowski won the leadership of District 31.

SERVANT OF THE BOSSES

But Sadlowski's disguise has been wearing thin, especially in District 31 where he has exposed himself in practice to be every bit as much a traitor to the workers and a servant of the steel bosses as Abel and McBride. He has linked up with the Abel machine in promoting the Consent Decree, attacking the rank and file, and sitting by while thousands of workers were laid off.

Helping Sadlowski to maintain his image as a militant and "progressive" is the revisionist Communist Party (CPUSA). The CP's alliance with Sadlowski has produced a number of influential positions for the revisionists in the USW. In addition, the CP hopes to use this left-liberal coalition tactic to expand support for the Soviet Union and its phony "detente" propaganda. The revisionists had nothing but praise for Sadlowski's Dec. 14 article in the Boston Globe, calling for "detente" and a "reordering of priorities" from defense spending to "labor-intensive uses."

RCP PRAISES SADLOWSKI

Sadlowski has also received an all-out endorsement from the Revolutionary Communist Party (RCP). These opportunists have joined the revisionists in singing Sadlowski's praises and preaching that his election will bring about "real change" in the union.

While the opportunists busy themselves painting Sadlowski as a "progressive," Sadlowski has been busy, too, exposing exactly what his "progressive" and social-democratic ideas are really all about.

In a recent interview in the porno magazine, Penthouse, Sadlowski outlined his own anti-working class utopia. "With technology," he says, "the ultimate goal of organized labor" becomes the elimination of the work force itself. "We've reduced labor forces from 520,000 fifteen years ago to 400,000 today. Let's reduce them to 100,000."

In a period when steel workers are fighting for more jobs, Sadlowski calls for further cutbacks. Somehow, he claims, "society can absorb unemployment." To the demand for safe working conditions, Sadlowski insists workers shouldn't mine coal or work in the mills at all. He holds up as his ideal a society without any workers, just poets and doctors.

This Penthouse interview brought home to many workers the bankruptcy of liberalism and Sadlowski's thoroughly anti-working class stand. All his utopian talk is nothing more than a sermon to reform capitalism instead of overthrowing it.

The goal of the working class is not to reduce the work force but to strengthen it—to overthrow capitalism, bringing society itself under the control of the working class and building socialism. Sadlowski wants to eliminate workers, while the goal of workers is to eliminate the capitalists, the class of exploiters who grow rich off the labor of the masses of people.

The most important struggle in the steel union today is not between McBride and Sadlowski; it is between these labor bureaucrats and the rank and file.

The election boycott is one step on the road to organizing the vast majority of steel workers to oppose these servants of the capitalists and to fight for the interests of the workers themselves.

The fight for job security, the right to strike, and an end to discrimination and harassment must be linked to the struggle to drive out the bureaucrats and revolutionize the unions. The real interests of the working class stand with socialism, the only system that can provide permanent solutions to unemployment, exploitation and oppression.



PICKET LINE outside the Davis factory demands an end to deportations and points to imperialism as the cause.

(Call photo)

DEPORTATIONS CAN'T STOP STRUGGLE AT DAVIS

The following article was submitted by Mexicano worker-correspondents at the Davis Pleating Company in Los Angeles who were deported to Tijuana, Mexico, in early January. The deportation raid was carried out as part of the campaign by both the bosses and the union bureaucrats to stop the sharpening class struggle in the garment sweatshop and break the workers' unity. As this letter shows, however, these tactics of the ruling class cannot succeed. The letter was translated from Spanish.

Fifteen minutes after we started work, we were told that immigration agents had surrounded the factory and were ready to move in. Desperately, we all tried to find places to hide, but very few could.

We were taken to the immigration building where we were locked in filthy rooms. We were treated bad and fed bad meals. Mothers were crying in this jail because their children were hungry and the Migra would not give them food. They had been in jail from 9 to 15 days because they were Central Americans and did not

have the money to pay for the trip back or bail themselves out.

People who had money in their pockets were charged \$7.00 for the trip to Tijuana. Those who did not have it were threatened with spending an extra day in jail.

Among us was a woman who was almost fainting, but they would not take care of her. That night, we were cramped on buses, men and women together, three in every seat even though most of us had paid our fares.

Close to Tijuana, the buses stopped and the Mexican Consul got up and told us that he was our "friend." He also said that we could have obtained legal status in the U.S., but that we didn't because we were "lazy." He asked us if we had any troubles, but when we told him about the way we were treated, he promptly left.

To make matters worse, we got to Tijuana at midnight, and it was raining heavily. We did not have any clothes to protect us from rain and cold, and did not have any place to go.

When we arrived, other workers from Davis were there to meet

us. They had made the trip after hearing about the deportation raid. The aid provided in Tijuana by our compañeros of different nationalities proves again the strength we have through our unity. We can see that the company, together with the labor bureaucrats, planned this raid in order to stop the struggle in this plant under communist leadership. They also tried to blame the communists for the raid.

In fighting discrimination against Mexicanos, we can also see that the representative from our consulate was a sellout and not really fighting for our interests. The only way we will be able to get better living conditions is with our own efforts and with our own unity. We will face many more hardships and even death under this system. We have to overthrow it if we are to survive.

The bosses are wrong in thinking that firing us or threatening us will stop the struggle. No! On the contrary, the struggle will intensify and soon we will see the end for the capitalists.

The struggle continues and will continue until victory!

Miami strike ends HOTEL WORKERS SETTLE

Miami, Fla.—The strike of more than 5,000 workers in this city's fanciest hotels ended Jan. 14 after 20 days of bitter struggle. The settlement was forced by federal mediators and still must be ratified by the union.

The mostly Latino strikers, members of Local 355 of the Hotel, Motel, Restaurant and High Rise Employees Union, faced scabs and a hysterical press attack backed by the owners.

The propaganda barrage included a steady stream of racist comments about the lack of "gratitude" Cuban workers showed towards their bosses.

The facts about the settlement are not yet known, but it has been reported that the strikers forced the hotel owners to take back all the strikers and get rid of the scab labor. The base pay of the 12,000 union members, who work as maids, bellhops, bartenders, laundrymen and other such service workers, ranges from \$10 to \$22 a day.

The hotel workers had been working without a contract since last September and finally struck on Christmas Day. They demanded a three-year contract with an average pay hike of 10% each year, improved hospitalization insurance and pre-paid tips for maids.

The October League has issued a call for mass demonstrations to take place on Saturday, March 5, commemorating International Women's Day (IWD). The actions, scheduled to take place in New York, Chicago, Atlanta and San Francisco, will demonstrate militant opposition to imperialism and its attacks on women.

A broad united front of women and men workers, minorities, students, third world people and others will be mobilized under the slogans: FULL EQUALITY FOR WOMEN! SUPPORT THE STRUGGLES OF THE THIRD WORLD PEOPLES! and END SUPERPOWER WAR PREPARATIONS!

This year's celebrations of IWD come at a time when women face unprecedented attacks by capitalism. The continuing economic crisis has thrown millions of women out of work and forced them to suffer an unemployment rate considerably higher than men. Cutbacks in welfare, day-care, foodstamps and other social service programs have brought starvation conditions to households headed by women. Forced sterilizations of poor and minority women have become widespread as part of capitalism's "solution" to its crisis.

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through intense class struggle over the last few years have been wiped out. Women have been pushed out of some of the better-paid industrial jobs which they were allowed to enter for the first time only recently. The Supreme Court has passed numerous decisions in the last year attacking women's rights, such as the recent ruling that employers do not have to provide maternity benefits for women. Similarly, the capitalists have refused to pass the Equal Rights Amendment. In several states, earlier passage of the ERA was overturned.

These are some of the conditions which give great urgency to the IWD slogan of "Full Equality for Women."

IWD itself has a long and militant history as a working-class holiday. For over half a century, it has been a time to unite men and women in the fight against capitalism.

IWD was initiated by the German communist Clara Zetkin in 1910 as a holiday to commemorate the March 8, 1908, strike of

women garment workers in New York City. The militant battle against sweatshop conditions waged by those women, many of them immigrants or very young workers, inspired workers in every country and led to the declaration of March 8 as IWD.

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Lenin
One Step Forward, Two Steps Back
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One Step Forward, Two Steps Back (5)

Lenin on the two methods of struggle

This is the fifth in a series of Call articles summing up the main lessons of One Step Forward, Two Steps Back, written by V.I. Lenin in 1904. All the member groups of the Organizing Committee for a Marxist-Leninist Party are now studying this book. Readers are invited to send in their comments, questions and articles based on their own study.

Pages cited in this study are from the Progress Publishers edition, which is available from The Call for \$1.50 each. See also Lenin's Collected Works, Vol. 7, p. 203.

This section of the study focuses on Section O, pp. 146-64, "After the Congress, Two Methods of Struggle."

When the Second Congress of the Russian Social-Democratic Labor Party concluded in late 1903, the main task facing the Russian communists was to unite around the Congress decisions, strengthen the Party organization, and prepare to lead the masses in revolutionary struggle.

But instead of working toward this goal, the opportunist Martov and the Mensheviks continued to build their anti-party bloc, which had emerged at the Congress.

In *One Step Forward, Two Steps Back*, Lenin traces the history of the differences between the Mensheviks and the Bolsheviks in an effort to unite the Party around the correct line.

Lenin argued for a disciplined, centralized organization with every member belonging to a basic party unit. Opposing Lenin's view were the Mensheviks, headed by Martov, who argued that anyone could join the Party simply by "declaring themselves" a member.

The question, then, upon the conclusion of the Congress, was: "Would Comrade Martov choose to regard his Congress 'coalition' as an isolated political fact... or would he want to consolidate (it)... and become the actual leader of the opportunist wing of our Party" (p. 147).

The first indication of Martov's intent came when he refused to serve on the editorial board of *Iskra* and led his followers in a virtual boycott of party work. Lenin viewed this refusal as a "step towards splitting the party" in that it objectively removed a number of people from the life and discipline of the Party while they officially remained members. Lenin pointed out that their actions ran counter to their "declarations of loyalty at the Congress." (p. 149).

Faced with this boycott, Lenin repeatedly asked Martov and his fellow Mensheviks to clarify their differences and to explain their withdrawal. But he got no response.

Martov instead set out to sabotage the Party's work.

The Mensheviks wanted an undisciplined party made up primarily of bourgeois intellectuals. When they saw that the Party was going to be a disciplined organization of proletarian fighters, serving the interests of the working class, they became panic-stricken. They lashed out at the Party Central Committee, the Congress decisions, and especially Lenin himself, whom they accused of being a bully and an "autocrat." They complained of "bureaucracy" to cover over their own violations of party rules.

The Mensheviks resorted to name-calling, slander and underhanded methods of struggle. Lenin summed up this method as "disorganizing all the activity of the Party, damaging the work, hampering all and everything 'without statement of reasons'." (p. 156). This method could only wreck party unity.

Lenin exposed the link between the Mensheviks' unprincipled methods of struggle and their opportunist line on organization. At the heart of both was a glorification of the rights of the individual and an "anarchistic denial of the duty of the part to submit to the whole." (p. 164).

In contrast, Lenin's methods of struggle were straightforward and principled. By relying on Marxism and seeking unity on this basis, Lenin and the Bolsheviks eventually isolated and thoroughly exposed the bankrupt opportunism of the Mensheviks.

Lenin's teachings on "two methods of struggle" hold great lessons for our own party-building movement today. Just as in Lenin's time, the forces opposed to building a new party have exposed their opportunism, not only in political line, but also in methods of struggle. Ranting and raving, splitting and blocking are recognized hallmarks of the Mensheviks of today, from the so-called "Revolutionary Wing" to the revisionist Martin Nicolaus.

Like Lenin, we must expose these opportunists and refuse any conciliation with their revisionism. In this way, we too will succeed in building a party worthy of the name.

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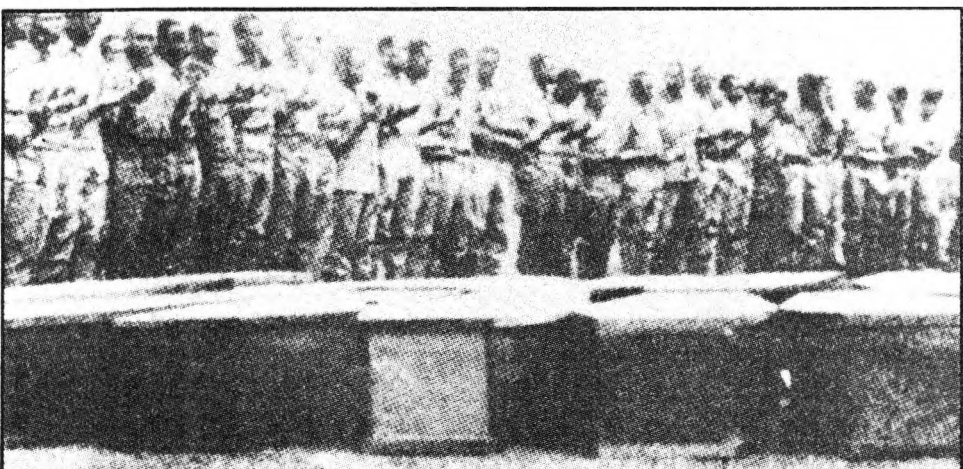
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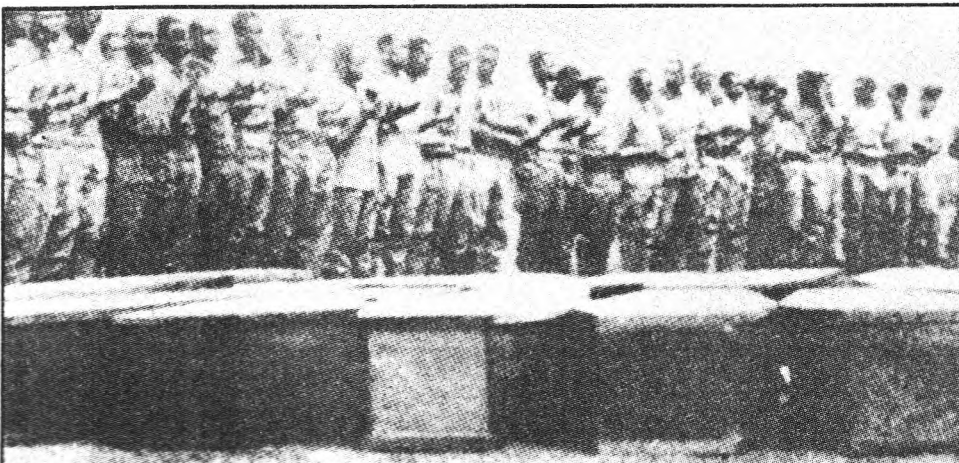
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'We must root out this evil'

MASS CRITICISM OF NICOLAUS' REVISIONIST LINE

In recent weeks, many Call readers have written letters and articles supporting the OL's decision to expel Martin Nicolaus. These letters deepen the criticism of his revisionist political line on many points.

This type of mass criticism is a very good thing. It shows that workers and revolutionary-minded people both inside and outside the OL recognize the fight against Nicolaus' line as a component part of the battle against modern revisionism and opportunism.

James Jackson, a Black Indiana steel worker imprisoned for killing a racist foreman in self-defense, wrote to *The Call* after studying the articles on Nicolaus. His letter typified the militant stand many readers have taken. In his letter Jackson said, "We must root out this evil—Martin Nicolaus—before the rest are swept in the undercurrent of opportunism. To be on the road to socialism via the Unity Trend Express is a direct and clear path to follow—really, it is the only path to follow."

Below, we print excerpts from other letters we have received:

Comrades,

Unfortunately, Martin Nicolaus, who loves to quote Lenin on liberals, forgot to study section 'm' of *One Step Forward, Two Steps Back*. Here Lenin deals a decisive blow to Nicolaus' betrayal of class struggle on the question of alliances with the liberals.

In this section, Lenin polemicized against a resolution by Starover concerning concrete conditions for agreements with the liberals. Lenin's first argument should have been the starting point for Nicolaus: he objected to Starover's resolution on the grounds of political vagueness because "it does not define the class content of Russian liberalism."

This is the root of Nicolaus' own error. Failing to take class struggle as the key link, he fails to see that the liberals today are squarely within the enemy class, the bourgeoisie.

In 1904, of course, the liberals—the bourgeoisie as a whole—were not the ruling class. They had class antagonisms with the ruling autocracy, and therefore had a progressive aspect. Temporary agreements with them were permissible.

But even then Lenin insisted on pointing out the fundamental contradiction between liberalism and proletarian revolution.

Starover wanted to limit agreements to those liberal-democratic trends whose program did not contain "any demands running counter to the interests of the working class or the democracy generally, or obscuring their political consciousness."

Lenin's reply: This is impossible! "... there never have been, nor can there be, liberal-democratic trends which did not include in their programs demands running counter to the interests of the working class and obscuring its . . . political consciousness."

Far from promoting general alliances with the liberals, Lenin understood the importance of exposing their class character even when they had progressive aspects in the struggle against the autocracy. He even wrote a special note for Comrade Nicolaus: "The phrase about alliance with the liberals is a sheer muddle. Nobody mentioned alliance, Comrade Martov, but only temporary or partial agreements. That is an entirely different thing."

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To *The Call*:

We have read in *The Call* about the recent expulsion of Martin Nicolaus from the October League. These excellent exposures of Nicolaus' revisionist political line have prompted us to read and study carefully his article "The Guardian's Man in Havana," *Class Struggle* 3, which allegedly "analyses" centrism.

It's now clear to us that this article is not an exposure of centrism, but is an attempt to prettify revisionism, the CPUSA, and is a reflection of Nicolaus' revisionist line, which apologizes for revisionism.

According to Nicolaus' view, the main essence of centrism is fence-sitting between Marxism-Leninism and revisionism. It is this "vacillating" that, according to Nicolaus, prevented Silber, the Guardian's representative to the Havana Conference, from accepting the final resolution.

NICOLAUS COVERS FOR CENTRISM

In this way Nicolaus covers over the political essence of centrism, which is that its line is a revisionist political line through and through. Centrism is not some "third" view, somewhere between Marxism and revisionism.

Nowhere in the article does Nicolaus discuss the leading and active role of the proletariat. It's the working class that's in the lead, under the leadership of a genuine communist party, a party which we need to build. The revolution is not tied up in the hands of the revisionists on the editorial boards of the *Guardian* or *Daily World*.

These serious revisionist errors are further aggravated by Nicolaus' decadent and bourgeois style, written from the viewpoint of a bourgeois intellectual. He oversimplifies the significance of drawing clear lines of demarcation between Marxism-Leninism and revisionism.

He uses the style of "I told you so," like "Bravo, Irwin Silber! By your deed even if it was not an active deed, but an act of omission—you have eloquently vindicated the position of the October League."

It's true that the October League's line about the Havana Conference was correct, but with supporters like Nicolaus we need few enemies. At one point Nicolaus says that all Marxist-Leninists should be "thankful" to revisionist CPUSA spokesman Grace Mora for "giving" us a "report" on the Conference, since the *Guardian* refused to.

Throughout this article Nicolaus downplays the danger of the centrists and underestimates the danger of the modern revisionist CPUSA. Silber is reduced to a silly intellectual and the CPUSA to a "vulture" feeding on "political debris."

It is because of the real dangers of revisionism and the CPUSA, direct agents of the Soviet social-imperialists within the workers' movement, that the OL's call to direct the main blow against them is so important.

Revolutionaries do not need the "expertise" of bourgeois intellectuals like Nicolaus. We need to take political line as key, deepen our criticism of the line exemplified by Nicolaus and heighten our vigilance against revisionism.

The workers' movement will move forward by a big step because of the exposure of Nicolaus' line and his expulsion from the OL. We congratulate the OL on taking this step. Our understanding of revisionism is deepened in all its forms.

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CARTER...

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larized during the recent election campaign. As a member of a special panel of judges in 1971, the "moderate" Bell saw to it that virtually all busing plans for school integration were vetoed.

Earlier, Bell had made his position clear when he led the efforts to block Bond from assuming his seat in the Georgia State House. Bond at that time belonged to the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), which had called for Blacks to refuse to fight in Vietnam.

Writing for the majority of the Circuit Court, Bell lamented that SNCC's statement was "a call to action based on race, a call alien to the concept of a pluralistic society... It aligns the organization with 'colored people' in such other countries as the Dominican Republic, the Congo, South Africa and Rhodesia."

The choice of Freddie Ray Marshall as Secretary of Labor is another example of Carter's planned offensive against the labor movement and the entire working class. Marshall is a liberal professor of economics at the University of Texas and a self-proclaimed "authority" on unemployment.

He is connected with leading AFL-CIO labor lieutenants like George Meany, whom Carter is pressuring to accept his planned wage-price freeze.

Marshall also has ties to Rockefeller and went to college to study "labor relations" on a Rockefeller grant. His recommended policies include some "new deal"-type government jobs programs. These programs can have no real impact on the 10 million unemployed workers in the U.S.

Carter has made it clear that he will not actively oppose the anti-union section of the Taft-Hartley Act, which allows the "right to work" in many states, nor will he

accept the \$3-an-hour minimum wage. This shows Marshall's appointment is just for show—a crumb thrown to the bureaucrats.

To maintain his liberal facade, Carter also appointed some token Black and women members to his cabinet. These include Georgia politician Andrew Young, slated to become Ambassador to the U.N.

Carter hopes to step up attacks on the third world countries with a Black figurehead to represent U.S. imperialist policy. Young has already told the press that he has "great sympathy" for the fascist white minority regime in South Africa, and that he favors using Vietnam as a "buffer against China."

Appointee Patricia Harris (Secretary of Housing and Urban Development) is a long-time Democratic Party hack. Along with Cyrus Vance (Secretary of State) and Harold Brown (Secretary of Defense), Harris is on the payroll of the IBM Corporation. She is also on the Board of Directors of the Rockefeller-owned Chase Manhattan Bank. Lewis Branscomb, another IBM official, is expected to become science advisor.

It is obvious that together with Coca-Cola, IBM holds many of Carter's strings. Two other IBM executives, including DuPont Chairman Irving Shapiro (an IBM director) and IBM Vice-President Jane Cahill Pfeiffer, turned down cabinet posts under direct orders from IBM. IBM didn't want to overload the cabinet and strengthen the appearance of a "conflict-of-interest" when the 8-year-old anti-trust suit against the corporation comes up this year.

The influence of the Coca-Cola Corp. will not only be exercised through Bell. Charles Duncan, appointee for Deputy Secretary of Defense, owns \$14 million worth of Coke stock, and Coca-Cola's Washington lawyer, Joseph Califano, is slated for the post of Se-

cretary of Health, Education and Welfare.

Behind both Coca-Cola and IBM, and therefore behind Carter, stands David Rockefeller, Chairman of the Board of Chase Manhattan Bank and the head of the Rockefeller financial group. This group now controls Carter, just as it controlled the administration of Ford, Nelson Rockefeller and Kissinger. Despite the show staged during the elections, the same big capitalists remain in the real seats of power.

The wealthiest and most powerful monopoly-finance grouping, the Rockefeller interests, are also staunch advocates of "detente," the fraud through which the superpowers attempt to hide their growing war preparations.

This was the policy that Kissinger followed as Secretary of State

under Ford, and it will now be continued by Secretaries Vance and Brown, as well as National Security Adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski. All three are well-known supporters of "detente."

Vance, Brown and Brzezinski have all called for increases in the U.S. arms build-up and a strengthening of U.S. forces in Europe to counter the growing Soviet threat. Brown supports the B-1 bomber plan as well as massive expansion of the Navy.

As Deputy Secretary of Defense under Lyndon Johnson, Vance helped to fabricate the Gulf of Tonkin incident, which laid the basis for U.S. aggression in Vietnam. Vance was also behind the massive bombing raids over Hanoi.

Now striking another pose to bolster Carter's liberal image,

Vance told his Senate confirmation hearing last week that the U.S. invasion of Vietnam was a "mistake."

So much for Carter's "people's inauguration."

This background material only shows what is becoming obvious to many people each day. The Carter administration is a gang of frontmen for the largest banks and corporations in the U.S. Despite its "progressive" mask, it represents a section of the most reactionary imperialists and is committed to racial segregation and further attacks on workers and minorities. It is determined to defend the interests of Rockefeller, DuPont, IBM, Coca-Cola and U.S. monopoly capitalism around the world, and to fight another world war with the Soviet Union in defense of these interests.

PALESTINIAN LEADER...

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including people of all religions in Palestine.

The arrest of Daoud itself was in part an attempt by the French government to divert attention away from the assassination of Mahmoud Saleh, an activist in the Al Fateh group of the PLO. Saleh was savagely murdered by Israeli agents on January 3, becoming the fourth Palestinian militant to be murdered in Paris in the last four years.

The PLO dispatched an official delegation to attend Saleh's funeral, and thousands of French workers, Marxist-Leninists and Arab immigrants demonstrated to condemn the French-Zionist collusion behind Saleh's death.

Trying to take the heat off themselves, the French imperialists, with help from the CIA, arrested Daoud hours after he arrived in France as an official member of

the PLO funeral delegation. In the days that followed, the French government tried to focus all attention on Daoud, in order to cover-up the questions raised by Saleh's assassination.

Abu Daoud himself pointed out that his arrest and Saleh's murder were the results of an "unscrupulous terrorist campaign" waged by the Israeli Zionists and their international agents against the Palestinian liberation movement.

Daoud said, "The Israelis are looking to kill all the Palestinians—the Palestinian people as a whole. And they've tried it since 1948. They are killing the Palestinians and they are resuming the killing. I am a Palestinian, a revolutionary Palestinian, not a terrorist. If they want to kill me, then they want to kill a revolutionary, not a terrorist."

In addition to the Paris deaths, Palestinian freedom fighters have been shot down in Norway, Cyprus and elsewhere without any of

the killers ever being brought to justice.

Saleh's killers have been directly linked to an ex-military attaché of the Israeli embassy in Paris, but there is no indication that the French government will take any steps to prosecute this murder.

But no amount of repression can bring a halt to the Palestinian struggle. Commemorating the initiation of the armed liberation struggle 12 years ago, a PLO spokesman said in Damascus on New Year's Eve:

"The armed struggle waged by the Palestinian resistance movement has struck its roots deep into the hearts of the Palestinian people both inside and outside the occupied territory... Armed struggle... is the fundamental way of achieving our objectives. The struggle is a protracted one and an arduous one. However, we are convinced that it is the enemy who is doomed to failure while we are sure to win."

RONNIE LONG...

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munity took to the streets to protest the frame-up.

They were attacked by police and state troopers who had been mobilized from nearby towns. But their resistance could not be crushed, even by the national guard which was called in that night to seal off the Black community. The next day, more than 500 people marched back to the courthouse to serve notice that they would continue the fight.

Since then, the struggle to free Ronnie Long has gained even broader support from workers around the country, especially in the South. Defense organizers have shown that Ronnie Long is not an isolated case. He is one of a long line of political prisoners like Gary Tyler, Robert Arnold, and 'Hurricane' Carter that the capitalist system frames up every day.

Recognizing the growing support for Ronnie Long among textile workers in the region, Cannon Mills last week scheduled "overtime" work for Saturday, Jan. 22—the day of the mass protest in Concord. This sudden "overtime" comes despite growing layoffs at the mill. It is obvious to many workers that Cannon Mills is trying to prevent workers from attending the demonstration.

The company has already fought off two organizing drives at Cannon Mills and the bureaucrats of the Textile Workers Union (ACTWU) have abandoned

the Cannon workers. The bosses know that stronger unity between white and Black workers in the fight against national oppression will be a powerful weapon for the workers when the next union drive gets underway.

Daisy Crawford, a Black union organizer at Cannon and a leader in the Ronnie Long Defense Committee, told *The Call*, "This fight is one of the many battles in our war against the capitalist, imperialist system. It clearly demonstrates the need for deep unity between the working class and Afro-American nation in order to fight repression."

In order to strengthen this broad multi-national unity, the Jan. 22 march will demand self-determination for Afro-Americans, exposing capitalism's oppression of the Afro-American nation in the Black Belt. This revolutionary perspective helped build the Ronnie Long defense into a powerful movement. But this has not been accomplished without sharp political struggle against the revisionist Communist Party (CPUSA) and its front group, the National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression.

Taking note of the great mass sentiment and activity generated by the Long case, the Alliance tried to worm its way into the defense committee in order to sabotage it. Claiming that the Long frame-up was a "miscarriage" of the otherwise "democratic traditions" of the capitalists, the Alliance tried

to mislead the people into trusting liberal politicians and giving up the mass struggle.

Daisy Crawford and others, however, warned supporters of Ronnie Long to "be on guard against the revisionist sellouts" in the Alliance. Over the last few months, the Alliance has been exposed as enemies of the people in the fight against oppression. Their attempts to get the people to drop the Ronnie Long case in favor of other Alliance-controlled actions have failed completely.

This week's demonstration in Concord will be a powerful blow for Ronnie Long's freedom and for the freedom of other political prisoners. At the same time, it will unite Black and white workers in the common fight against national oppression and the capitalist system that lies behind it.

REVEALING QUOTE

The depths to which the image of the capitalist system has sunk was revealed in the complaint last week of Rockefeller Foundation President Dr. John H. Knowles, who moaned: "I can hardly use the word 'capitalism' without being accused of being arrogant, corrupt, bestial with respect to human suffering."



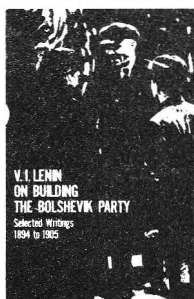
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