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1980 ELECTIONS: THE REAL CHOICE IS FASCISM/WORLD WAR OR REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALISM

“For millions of Americans, the 1970’s have been a decade of shattered aspirations. Their hopes for securing a higher standard of living, for saving enough to pay for their children’s education and for providing a little more for their retirement are daily crushed by inflation and economic stagnation.”

These are not the words of an outspoken critic of capitalism. They are the words of the bourgeoisie’s own — George Bush, running for the presidency of the United States. Far from the sterile patriotic rhetoric of America as the land of opportunity and freedom, it is an admission of the worst economic and political crisis the U.S. has ever faced.

This is the context that the 1980 presidential election is taking place, perhaps the most crucial for the bourgeoisie. And in these devastating times, the choice that faces the workers and the poor is the most critical in the history of this country. We could allow the bourgeoisie to rule and bring economic catastrophe, fascism, and world war with the other superpower, the Soviet Union, with its untold suffering. Or we could overthrow the capitalist system and the false hopes of its sham democracy and step out on the road of socialism and the dictatorship of the proletariat, the only road that can turn this capitalist hell around.

A Crucial Election for the Bourgeoisie

In the 80’s, the very rule of the bourgeoisie is on the line. Miami and the murders of the CWP 5 have changed the political scene dramatically. They spoke volumes for the U.S. people, pushed against the wall and pressed ever more cruelly by the deepest and most extensive economic crisis ever, making the Great Depression of the 30’s look like a picnic. The bourgeoisie today sit on a politically volatile, inflammable, and fragile — a literal volcano that can be touched off by the very act of a parking ticket, threatening to spread to the Miamis across the country — black and white crushed by the crisis the bourgeoisie have created.

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S. Korean masses parade through the streets of Kwangju after they seized the city on May 22. Five days later government troops retook the city.

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Study Notes on Lenin's NEW TASKS AND Written for a Revolutionary Situation

Lenin's article *New Tasks and New Forces* was written in 1905 to deal with the correct way to view the Party's tasks during the 1905 uprising in Russia. We must remember that this article deals with tasks under a revolutionary situation, because it is very easy to apply the words of the article literally to our present situation. Right now we are in a *pre-revolutionary* situation, where the capitalist stabilization has ended and the masses are absorbing the punishing toll of U.S. imperialism. We live in a period where there are no mass upsurges yet, where the masses are disoriented, absorbing the brunt of punishment of the economic crisis and where groups of people in different localities around the country are beginning to organize in a broad sense. But the potential is becoming more and more immediate.

Moreover, we must qualify the context of this article because in 1975-76 — in a rash of city crises starting in New York City — there was a spontaneous response, including demonstrations against banks, etc. In that situation, we tended to get carried away and generalized it to other strata. But that's not correct. Clearly, the crisis has spread and deepened ever since the U.S. defeat in Indochina, is still deepening and the masses are still getting punished for it. But the resistance has not been organized mainly because of the spontaneous consciousness and organization. This organization to some extent has disintegrated and is getting ready to gel together again on a higher level — minus the stranglehold of labor aristocrats. We are in a situation of tremendous opportunity for the proletarian forces, for the Party to assume leadership. But at this point, the upsurge has not arrived.

Now let's get into the universal aspects of the lessons of *New Tasks and New Forces*. Lenin started with: **"The development of a mass working-class movement in Russia in connection with the development of Social-Democracy is marked by three notable transitions. The first was the transition from narrow propagandist circles to wide economic agitation among the masses; the second was the transition to political agitation on a large scale and to open street demonstrations; the third was the transition to actual civil war, to direct revolutionary struggle, to the armed political uprising. Each of these transitions was prepared, on the one hand, by socialist thought working mainly in one direction, and on the other, by the profound changes that had taken place in the conditions of life and in the**

whole mentality of the working class, as well as by the fact that increasingly wider strata of the working class were roused to more conscious and active struggle. Sometimes these changes took place imperceptibly, the proletariat rallying its forces behind the scenes in an unsensational way, so that the intellectuals often doubted the lasting quality and the vital power of the mass movement. There would then be a turning point, and the whole revolutionary movement would, suddenly, as it were, rise to a new and higher stage. The proletariat and its vanguard, Social-Democracy, would be confronted with new practical tasks, to deal with which, new forces would spring up, seemingly out of the ground, forces whose existence no one had suspected shortly before the turning point."

The first thing we could learn from is Lenin's classification of the three notable transitions. One was the transition from narrow propaganda circles to wide economic agitation.

He said those transitions were brought about by two factors. One is **"the profound changes that had taken place in the conditions of life and in the whole mentality of the working class, as well as by the fact that increasingly wider strata of the working class were roused to more conscious and active struggle."** The other is the change in the subjective factor, namely: **"the proletariat rallying its forces behind the scenes in an unsensational way."** And when the subjective factor acts upon the objective changes affecting millions and millions of people, it amplifies. In other words, when the Party's work amplifies the spontaneous objective factor — such as the spontaneous consciousness of the masses and the spontaneous organization, like the rudimentary organizations, the trade unions — at the right time, like in this coming period, there will be upsurges. Together, when the subjective factor acts upon the spontaneous objective factor, a big change occurs in the period, a big leap forward.

So a combination of both objective and subjective factors gave rise to a leap or a transition. Each time there is a leap, the tasks of communists must change, because the conditions of the masses — and especially their openness to communist propaganda and leadership — will be qualitatively different. And each time there is a transition, you have to emphasize different tasks. But these transitions will not be smooth-going. They will be painful and

about with contradictions, going against inertia of every kind.

Lenin said that every time we go through such a transition, there are bound to be vacillations. And these vacillations are particularly heavy among intellectuals, who intellectually conceive tasks but practically do not have the stand to implement them due to various class interests, lack of experience or whatever reasons. Moreover, they try to justify their vacillations. That's why during each transition, there always tend to be different lines coming out and Lenin said: **"Social-Democracy in Russia is once again passing through such a period of vacillation [he's referring to the period of 1905 from a pre-revolutionary situation to a revolutionary situation]. There was a time when political agitation had to break its way through opportunist theories, when it was feared that we would not be equal to the new tasks, when excessive repetition of the adjective 'class', or a tail-ender's interpretation of the Party's attitude to the class, was used to justify the fact that the Social-Democrats lagged behind the demands of the proletariat. The course of the movement has swept aside all these short-sighted fears and backward views. The new upsurge now is attended once more, although in a somewhat different form, by a struggle against obsolete circles and tendencies. The Rabocheye Dyeloists have come to life again in the new Iskristis. To adapt our tactics and our organization to the new tasks, we have to overcome the resistance of opportunist theories of 'a higher type of demonstration', or of the 'organization-as-process' . . . Once again, excessive repetition of the word 'class' and belittlement of the Party's tasks in regard to the class are used to justify the fact that Social-Democracy is lagging behind the urgent needs of the proletariat."**

So he's saying that each time a transition occurs — with the new tasks required — the opportunists will come out with another qualification, a new justification. Once again, as the 1905 upsurge proved, after the backward views of the Economists were defeated — the view saying the workers were not political, that they would not take up the political tasks of fighting tsarism — the Economists on the one hand would quietly accept the workers' political role, but on the other hand would again come out with a whole new spectrum of opportunist views. They would again argue against a set of new tasks correctly set by the

SCIENTIFIC MARXIST TERMS

MARXISM-LENINISM-MAO TSETUNG THOUGHT is the science of revolution. It is the historical lessons of thousands of years of class struggle summed up into general principles by the great communist revolutionaries, Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin and Mao. Like other sciences, it has its own scientific terms. We need to learn to use this science to fight for the interests of the working class and all oppressed peoples in the world.

PROLETARIAT, WORKING CLASS: the millions of workers all over the world, who own no property to make profit with or exploit others, and who have to sell their own labor power to survive; the only truly revolutionary class able to lead all oppressed peoples to overthrow the capitalist system. For example, coal miners, workers in auto plants, steel mills, garment factories, etc.

BOURGEOISIE, RULING CLASS, MONOPOLY CAPITALISTS, IMPERIALISTS: the super-rich who own all the means of production—the factories, mines, land, and who also own the banks, corporations, railroads, airlines, etc. and control the government (like in the U.S.); the greedy vultures who make their super-profits off the sweat and blood of the masses of people all over the world. For example, the Rockefellers, Morgans, Duponts, etc.

PETTY BOURGEOISIE: those people whose position in society is in between the bourgeoisie and proletariat. They dream of becoming monopoly capitalists, but are constantly being kept down by them, too. Their class nature is to vacillate in between the two classes. We've divided the petty bourgeoisie into three strata.

Upper strata: big capitalists who are dependent

on the banks, and thus also controlled by the monopoly capitalists. They generally side with the bourgeoisie against the working class.

Middle strata: Doctors, lawyers, accountants, local government officials, and managers who do not own any means of production, but have a privileged position in society.

Lower strata: Self-employed craftsmen like carpenters, small proprietors of mom-and-pop stores and restaurants, independent truckers and small farmers. In today's economic crisis, they are forced down and squeezed dry by high rents, insurance rates, taxes and rising costs like for gasoline. They generally hate the big capitalists and the government.

CAPITALISM: the economic and political system in which the bourgeoisie rules. The bourgeoisie can rule either like in the U.S. where we have some 'rights' and 'freedom' (called bourgeois democracy), or like in Hitler's Germany where the bourgeoisie rules mainly by repression (called fascism).

IMPERIALISM: the highest stage of capitalism, in which the bourgeoisie has consolidated control in its own country, and now goes into *other* countries to exploit the people, steal the resources, and sell its products. The U.S. and Soviet Union are the two most powerful

imperialist countries today.

SOCIALISM, THE DICTATORSHIP OF THE PROLETARIAT: the economic and political system in which the *workers rule* and keep the bourgeoisie down. The workers, led by the communist party, run the government, the factories, the schools, etc. in the interests of the majority of the people.

COMMUNISM: the society which follows after socialism in which there are no longer any classes. All people work in cooperation and share in the fruits of their labor. The people work "from each according to his ability," and receive products "to each according to his need."

REVISIONISTS: those who call themselves communists, but who have actually changed (revised) Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought to serve their own selfish interests. Revisionism in power means the bourgeoisie in power. Brezhnev of the Soviet Union and Teng Hsiao Ping [Deng Xiao Peng] and Hua Kuo Feng [Hua Guo Feng] of China are all revisionists. The Communist Party U.S.A. is a revisionist party.

OPPORTUNISTS: those who call themselves communists, socialists, or progressives but who actually work against the fundamental interests of the masses. They aid the bourgeoisie by doing their dirty work *within* the communist movement and the movements of the workers and all oppressed against the bourgeoisie. Some current examples are: Socialist Workers Party, Revolutionary Communist Party, Joe Lowery of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLS) and Doug Fraser of the United Auto Workers (UAW).

NEW FORCES

and Its Relevance To The 80's

communists, saying for instance, instead of calling for insurrection, the proletariat is not ready, etc.

For that reason, Lenin said the main thing is to deal with our own positive program and not constantly react or endlessly debate with opportunists. For "there is not the slightest doubt that the movement, in its course, will once again sweep aside these survivals of obsolete lifeless views." He cautioned, "Such sweeping aside, however, should not be reduced to mere rejection of the old errors, but, what is incomparably more important, [our emphasis] it should take the form of constructive revolutionary work towards fulfilling the new tasks, towards attracting into our Party and utilizing the new forces that are now coming into the revolutionary field in such vast masses. It is these questions of constructive revolutionary work that should be the main subject in the deliberation of the forthcoming Third Congress." So he said that instead of getting trapped with obsolete and endless opportunist views, "The practical question confronting us now is, first, how to utilize, direct, unite, and organize these new forces; how to focus Social-Democratic work on the new, higher tasks of the day [our emphasis] without for a moment forgetting the old, ordinary run of tasks that confront us, and will continue to confront us." He's saying that without forgetting the principles and correct lines argued for in the past, we must focus on the higher tasks.

One thing Lenin said is under a situation of broad participation of the masses and a more focused political situation, communists should do more direct communist work, and leave other work to other people who are just becoming involved and taking it up as their own, such as more focused trade union struggles and other spontaneous struggles. We should pay more attention to make sure that these spontaneous struggles are aimed in a revolutionary direction. In other words, "In the beginning we had to

teach the workers the ABCs, both in the literal and figurative senses. Now the standard of political literacy has risen so gigantically that we can and should concentrate all our efforts on the more direct Social-Democratic objectives aimed at giving an organized direction to the revolutionary stream."

Well, there is a change in tasks right there. Why is that? Why is it that we have to do more direct Party work? Does that mean we haven't been doing Party work before when we stressed getting involved in immediate economic struggles? No, that's not the case. The Russian Social-Democrats went through some of the same phases. For example, Lenin said, "In the initial stages of the movement a Social-Democrat had to carry on a great deal of what almost amounted to cultural work, or to concentrate almost exclusively on economic agitation." Now why is that? Why was it the communists "concentrate[d] almost exclusively on economic agitation"? That again is related to the historical development of communist forces. Like Lenin said earlier, the first transition was "from narrow propaganda circles [among intellectuals and few advanced workers] to wide economic agitation among the masses" as the conditions changed. That's because Marxism was first developed among intellectuals. They must unite among themselves around a different direction, definition of tasks and the line they're going to follow. After that unity is accomplished, they must go to the workers. That's when the transition from narrow propaganda circles to wide economic agitation occurred. The task of seriously dealing with fusion starts. When you first go into the working class, you have to fuse with the masses, to lead the workers as communists. You have to inevitably overemphasize the need to sink roots among the class and lead them on their day-to-day economic agitation, i.e., economic struggle. And that's what led to a situation where, as Lenin put it, "in the initial stages of the movement a Social-Democrat had

to carry on a great deal of what almost amounted to cultural work," that is work to create a certain background to get into a whole new setting, or to concentrate almost exclusively on economic agitation. He said, "Now these functions one after another, are passing into the hands of new forces [new forces in a situation where there is great economic struggle in Russia], of wider sections that are being enlisted in the movement. The revolutionary organizations have concentrated more and more on carrying out the function of real political leadership, the function of drawing Social-Democratic conclusions from the workers' protest and the popular discontent." So the conclusion we can draw is that under a certain period of transition, we have some of the experience so that we have to do more direct Party work. And that emphasis on more direct Party work does not mean we did not do Party work before. That would be absurd, of course. But it's created by a situation where objectively overall it is a whole new phase of the mass movement due to the combination of objective subjective factors and leads to a change of tasks. The right line will be to ask the Party to maintain the emphasis on economic agitation and not mainly drawing communist conclusions and giving direction to the struggle. The "left" deviation surpasses the stage at the time, for example, to jump to the third stage that Lenin talked about into an actual civil war, to popular uprising, to mass insurrection. So you skip a period of educating the masses politically, drawing socialist conclusions, preparing for the dictatorship of the proletariat. Thus, the line struggle will be over either to lag or to leap "too far ahead" — both forms of subjectivism. One will be putchism, voluntarism, leaping beyond the readiness of the masses and the Party. Our tasks, our subjective factor will leap, and will not correspond to the objective situation. The other will lag behind the consciousness of the masses and the needs of the class as a whole at that point. □

Bold Postering Brings Party's Line To Every American

POSTERING is a tremendously effective way to broaden out and create public opinion to the majority of the American people about our line. Nothing jumps out at people like a sharp poster on a wall. A poster can be put up just about anywhere in every wall and every corner. Most will stay up for a few days, many longer, even for years. People walking on the street will go up to check out a sharp poster that stands out. In that sense, they are seeking us out. Agitation/propaganda has the same effect, but it cannot reach out to a whole city or even a whole neighborhood or have a sustained impact, like months at a time. A thorough postering job has more than an additive effect. It multiplies

the impact of each poster thousandfold because it hits people literally everywhere people go. If we implement the postering, we can reach the majority of the American people in the largest cities and many small cities, towns and regions.

We call on all comrades and friends to go all out postering to bring the Party's line to every American to prepare for the dictatorship of the proletariat in the 80's. If you have any story to tell about postering experiences, or good examples of bold and effective postering, just write to us or send us pictures so that we could propagate the lessons throughout the country.—ed. □



The Oakland comrades knew where to poster. The billboard of the Oakland pigs to patch up their hated image was turned into a propaganda tool for the CWP.

U.S. Society A Powderkeg Hospital Workers Rally Ignites Into Rampage Against Cops

BROOKLYN, N.Y. — On May 15, 2,000 angry hospital workers from District 1199, marching to protest the lockout of 112 union members, descended down Cropsey Avenue toward the Haym Salomon Nursing Home. The police had set up barricades. They planned to restrict the protesters to one sidewalk, away from the streets and the home. From past experience, the cops expected the demonstrators to picket, rally, and disperse. However, they learned with their own cracked heads that 1980 is no longer the days of peaceful protest songs like "We Shall Overcome".

As the crowd swelled inside the barricades, so did the workers' rage. "One sidewalk for 2,000 people! Enough is enough!" One brother picked up a barricade and heaved it into the street. As it crashed on the ground, others instantly followed like a string of firecrackers going off. Crack! Crack! Crack... In less than 10 seconds all the barricades on the street side were down. Dismayed, some cops grabbed the worker and choked him with their nightsticks. They looked up only to see 2,000 workers surging on top of them screaming "Let him go! Let him go!" Like frightened dogs, the cops put their tails between their legs and ran.

Victorious, the workers began to clear out the barricades in front of the home. The union misleaders tried to put out the masses' rage, something they had successfully done before. This time it didn't work. Sensing that the workers' mood was different this time from the past, a police captain tried to hold back his men. But they were too scared to play it cool. Now really desperate, the cops snapped and started clubbing. With a rage, the workers exploded. They picked up barricades and sticks and started beating the cops; rocks and bricks whizzed through the air. Inside the home, frightened management and scabs cringed at the sight of rocks crashing through the windows. Fearful that the workers charging the home would get in, the nursing home's own goon squad turned on hoses with sewer water to keep them off the lawn.

Just as one of the administrators was saying "We don't feel we have to negotiate..." Bang! A rock slammed through a window above him. This demonstration to protest Haym Salomon's unionbusting had erupted into an all-out battle with the cops and management goons. When the confrontation ended, 14 cops were injured and the state didn't arrest any of the demonstrators.

U.S. Society Today A Volcano on The Verge of Exploding

The 1199 workers' confrontation with the state could have been anywhere —any town in any state anywhere across the U.S. today. Last week Miami blew up —not merely a repeat of the national rebellions of the 60's, but a revolt which spoke for the whole U.S. people. In a way never seen before, the Afro-American masses' outcry against national oppression drew mainly sympathy from white poor

and working people. Even those who became the misdirected target of angry blacks could only identify with the angry frustration against capitalism's relentless injustices. Last year it was Levittown. A Pennsylvania town, "mainstream America", flared as youth burned and overturned cars. Sparked by the criminal gas price hike, it represented a much more fundamental discontent, and it made the bourgeoisie jump. Carter had to take an emergency flight back to the U.S. from a sojourn in Japan. Last month, Indiana was blazing. Simultaneously in the same state, prisoners were rioting, railcar workers were striking, and firebombing the mayor's home, and the CWP in Kokomo

the point where it actually starts to blow, in one state or region at a time, to the point like Indiana on a larger scale that they actually could not get forces together to control it. And they would wish that it was only Mount St. Helens that they were hearing! This is a sign that a spontaneous revolutionary situation could develop rapidly.

Push Out the Party's Views to Reach Every Household

The 1199 workers have spoken. *But the direction must be clear.* The workers have to know who the leadership is. They may not all totally agree with the CWP's line, but will have some fundamental

respect for the Party. Our presence must be strong, because the next time when the National Guard start shooting, people will look for us. Our political campaign around the 1980 Democratic Convention can shake up the country, and give focus to the class struggle, the Miamis, Levittowns, Indianas. Our programme is going to be plastered up on every wall, phone booth, in not just major streets in major towns. Our duty is to get the workers' solution *out there* so the Party does get to every household and communist leadership will unquestionably influence the next Miamis and Indianas to come. □



Demonstrating hospital workers charge on the Haym Salomon Nursing Home in April. Though unsuccessful in breaking through, their seething anger exploded into pitched battle with cops on May 15th.

took on the state, its cops and the KKK. The Indiana National Guard was spread so thin it actually could not cover everything on April 26.

The situation throughout the country is highly explosive. The least thing can crystallize the masses' anger. It was in this larger setting that the 1199 workers converged on Haym Salomon Nursing Home on May 15. And like every town across America, it was different from before. One demonstrator said, "In demonstrations in the past, the workers seemed pliable, soft. But in this demonstration we could sense the workers were fed up, disgusted with everything. The demonstrations has a hard quality, it wasn't as compressible as past demonstrations."

Miami is not unique, neither is Indiana or Levittown. The volcano the bourgeoisie is sitting on could rapidly reach

The State Is The Real Culprit Behind Union-Busting

Although most of the 1199 protesters do not work there, Haym Salomon's unprecedented unionbusting attack directly affects all of them. Several months ago, B. Lawson took over the bankrupt nursing home. Immediately, he set out to bust 1199. He ripped up the contract and hired workers at minimum wage. While the 1199 misleaders didn't do anything, Lawson trained his new scab labor. On April 14, 1199 workers reported to work to find armed security guards behind chained doors. Lawson had methodically and coldbloodedly kicked each and every union worker out of a job.

But the state is the real culprit. Throughout all this, the state has closed its eyes to both workers' and patients' complaints against Lawson. First, the state went out of its way to give the \$2.9 million building for just \$400,000 to Lawson. Second, the state constantly investigated the former owner for violations of the Health Code. But the new state-appointed administration, which is Lawson's, passed an inspection with flying colors even though violations existed. The state condones the actions of Lawson. Lawson is a goon acting on their behalf much as the KKK and Nazis would be used to break unions.

Contract negotiations for District 1199 are coming up in two months. The short-term objective of the state in supporting Lawson is to test the union's strength. They want to kick it in the face and see if it is alive. In the long term, the lockout at Haym Salomon is part of the fascization process—an overall attack on Communists, trade union fighters, community leaders and anyone who might lead the people in the forthcoming resistance to the permanent political and economic crisis of the 80's. □

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"Miami Foreshadows Revolutionary Situation To Come"

Jerry Tung, CWP General Secretary

Jerry Tung, General Secretary of the Communist Workers Party, recently pointed out the implications of the Miami revolt for the 80's, "The Miami revolt speaks for the whole U.S. people, the Levittowns, Love Canals; the number of Afro-American revolts in recent weeks, are indicators, foreshadowing the revolutionary situation to come. The massive food riots, widespread armed clashes of striking workers and the state, the revolt of the multinational working class, the revolt of the multinational jobless, the multinational poor, and the siding of the petty bourgeoisie The spontaneous revolutionary situation, the ripening of the spontaneous subjective factor may come soon — whether we are ready or not — the situation will be entirely different, with a spontaneous revolutionary situation like in South Korea now. The bourgeoisie will not be sufficiently centralized to concentrate forces to suppress them but the masses will not have the leadership to seize power if we are not prepared."

Miami Speaks for the Whole U.S. People

The entire working class has been tremendously inspired and aroused by the raw class hatred of Miami that was directly aimed at the state, the common oppressor of the U.S. people. The full force of the Afro-American masses' anger was directed at the two clearest symbols of the state — the police headquarters and the justice building. After the state, the masses confiscated the property of the biggest capitalists with more consciousness than any of the rebellions of the 60's. The biggest stores were stripped clean and set afire. The masses spraypainted "payback" on what was left to make it clear that this was revenge for years of national oppression under monopoly



Over 5,000 of enraged Afro-American masses stormed the police headquarters in Miami. The clear target aiming at the state draws support from all U.S. people.

capitalism.

Because the Miami rebellion was aimed at the state, both Afro-Americans and white masses alike instinctively took a stand in support of the rebellion. One white couple, Paul and Ruth Jones whose home was burned during the rebellion made this clear. "What you have to understand about this whole McDuffie thing is that it isn't black against white, it's the poor against the cops and the rich." This is the view of the majority of the workers as more than 70% of the callers on talk shows during the rebellion clearly supported the rebellion.

There is no way that this could have happened during the 60's. If you think that Miami is a "throwback to the 60's" like the *Amsterdam News*, a New York black newspaper, then you don't understand what the 80's are all about. During the 60's the working class was asleep and the American Dream still had credibility. U.S. imperialism was still in a period of temporary stabilization, and the U.S. was the hegemonic power in the world and could export the crisis abroad to Western Europe, Japan and third world countries.

In the 80's all the chickens for the U.S. imperialists have come home to roost from Iran to South Korea, and the working class

has to carry the full weight of the deepest economic crisis in history. The illusions of making it have evaporated right before the eyes of the U.S. people. And for the Afro-American masses the American Dream never existed in the first place. The meager crumbs of the 60's which gave a ray of hope to blacks has been ground to dust. The economic crisis of the 80's has intensified national oppression all along the line. Because the weight of national oppression is so heavy, many times in history. Afro-Americans have been the first to stand up and fight, acting like shock troops that wake up the whole country. But the difference between now and the 60's is that the punishment the working class has been forced to endure under the weight of the economic crisis of the 80's is pushing the U.S. people into increasingly sharp struggle with the state.

In the "model suburb" of Levittown, Pa., white workers and youth took over the streets of the city, and fought the police and the National Guard for three days over the high price of gasoline. Angry residents of Love Canal, N.Y., whose lives have been permanently broken along with their trust in the U.S. government, took two government officials hostage to demand money to get away from Love Canal. Sell-

out union leaders are being dumped left and right, and at the same time, strikes like the one in Washington, Indiana, where armed battles with scabs occurred and the mayor's house got firebombed, are increasingly becoming the rule. This is the backdrop of the Miami uprising.

Miami's Fury Freaks the Bourgeoisie Out

Because Miami speaks for the whole country, no rebellion has shaken the capitalist class like the Miami uprising. Carter is so scared that he would rather take his chances with volcanic Mount St. Helens, before he would confront the people of Miami. Panicked over what the Miami revolt could lead to, the capitalists go all out to distort the Miami rebellion, calling Miami a "City Gone Mad." They want to trick the American people into believing that Miami was a race war of blacks against whites and Cubans. Their lies are exploded by the fact that Cuban-Americans fought side by side with Afro-Americans during the rebellion and one Cuban organization openly supported the uprising. There is no way that the capitalists can put out the rising fire of the 80's that Miami represents. □

The COMMUNIST WORKERS PARTY Stands For:



The Communist Workers Party U.S.A. (CWP) is the political party of the U.S. multinational working class. The CWP, formerly the Workers Viewpoint Organization, is a fighting organization, nationwide in scope. Our members come from all backgrounds and nationalities. Our immediate goal is to lead the U.S. proletariat (the working class) and oppressed nationalities to overthrow this rotten capitalist system by violent force and establish a socialist system—the dictatorship of the proletariat. Under socialism, we workers will be our own masters and will rule over the monopoly capitalists in the interests of the vast majority of people. Our ultimate aim is communism, a society where there are no longer any classes or class differences and no longer any exploitation of man by man.

The CWP fights for the emancipation of all humanity. Our main contribution is to make socialist revolution here in the U.S. We support the struggles of all oppressed people and nations and fight together with them against both imperialist superpowers, the U.S. and Soviet Union, and against colonialism, neo-colonialism, Zionism, racism and all reaction. We oppose world war and fascism and work for proletarian revolution throughout the world.

Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tse Tung Thought is the theoretical basis guiding our thinking. It is the science of revolution — the historical lessons of thousands of years of class struggle summed up into general principles by the great communist revo-

lutionaries, Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin and Mao Tsetung.

We oppose the sellout traitors of today's revisionist Communist Party of the Soviet Union and Communist Party of China. They've become bourgeois (capitalist class) parties. They have revised Marxism to serve their own selfish interests. To ensure that our party always serves the interests of the broad masses, and does not betray the working class, the CWP conscientiously studies Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and criticizes revisionism. We submit ourselves to close supervision by the masses, boldly do criticism and self-criticism of errors, constantly recruit fresh forces, and cleanse our ranks of those who have gone stale.

Today's economic crisis is bringing untold suffering to the American people. Millions of our youth are unemployed, strung out on drugs, and turning to crime. Divorce rates are soaring and families are being torn apart like never before. The root cause of all this is capitalism. Capitalism is a system where a small gang of greedy vultures like the Rockefellers and Morgans own all the factories, mines and land, and make all their profit off our sweat and blood. This class of monopoly capitalists, the bourgeoisie, uses its state (the police, courts, prisons, armed forces, and all levels of government) to maintain their dictatorship over us. That's why we must overthrow the bourgeoisie and seize state power.

The CWP fights for jobs for all; for better wages and work-

ing conditions; for decent housing, education, and childcare; for equal rights for all oppressed nationalities and undocumented workers; for the right of self-determination for oppressed nations in the U.S.; and against police brutality, the KKK/Nazis, and discrimination of women and the elderly. But the only way to end all social evils is for all workers and oppressed to unite, smash every attempt by the bourgeoisie to divert the blame for the crisis onto scapegoats, and to destroy the whole capitalist system. Only then can we continue the revolution under socialism until the classless society, material abundance, and spiritual height of communism are realized.

We do political education daily and in the course of taking up day-to-day struggles to help the masses learn who are our friends and who are our enemies. Today, our first priority is to awaken the proletariat to build up its party, by winning over to communism wave upon wave of advanced elements and training them how to make revolution. We strive to make every factory our fortress, every community and school our base, to kick the hacks out of the trade unions and make them into fighting organizations. Thus we are now building our army in preparation for seizing state power.

We call on all workers and revolutionary-minded people to join with the Communist Workers Party in the struggle against this bloodsucking system and build up the Party as your own to prepare for the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Love Canal Victims Take Gov't Officials Prisoner

LOVE CANAL, N.Y.—“I just have had it. I just want to be a housewife,” cried Mrs. Quimby, slumped in her neighbors' arms after being released by the FBI.

While Miami was ablaze as thousands of Afro-Americans spoke for the whole U.S. people and murder of a black insurance salesman, McDuffie—Mrs. Quimby and residents of Love Canal did a little blazing of their own. They poured gasoline on an overgrown lawn of one of the many abandoned homes there. The fire crackled with the letters “E” “P” “A” (Environmental Protection Agency).

A report had come out on May 17, requisitioned by the EPA, that 11 out of 36 Love Canal residents tested has chromosome damage. The people called the Director of Public Affairs to come to the Home Owners Association to answer some questions. The Director showed up with a federal doctor. When they tried to leave, Mrs. Quimby leaned against the door to block them. A “housewife” and many neighbors like her had seized two government officials hostage.

As thousands of National Guards moved into Miami to suppress a rage boiled over, the FBI moved into Love Canal. As the dark sedans crept towards the house, the president of the Home Owners Association let the officials go. The hostages, flanked by FBI and surrounded by cop cars, had to face angry residents armed with two-by-fours who jeered and spat at them.

In the 80's, people are being forced into politics and taking action, whether they like it or not. People are learning bitter lessons that patience and polite requests only bring humiliation and no results. People are forced to fight or die. What drove a mainstream American

community like Love Canal to go against the U.S. government?

Residents Victims of Capitalists And Government

It was the U.S. Army who sold Love Canal to Hooker Chemicals to use as a dump for waste materials in 1947. By 1952, Hooker had dumped 22,000 tons of toxic chemicals into the Canal, making it, like one T-shirt says, “Love Canal, another product from Hooker Chemicals.”

The 1950's was a time of temporary stabilization of U.S. imperialism—the time of the American Dream. And the people dreamed when they moved into Love Canal to settle down to a quiet life with the few pleasures of a house, a garden and a backyard. Most of them worked in the many chemical plants that filled the Niagara Falls area at night with plumes of white smoke. They never knew that beneath them lay a chemical timebomb, invisibly blackening their children's future and generations to come.

When Hooker couldn't fit anymore waste in the Canal, they sold it to the Niagara School Board for \$1 with a *disclaimer of responsibility* for any injuries that might occur because of the buried chemicals. The School Board covered the dump with landfill. They built a school on top of the chemicals. They sold the rest of the land as residential lots.

Twenty years later, oily black, bubbly carcinogens oozed up into the school playground, seeped up basement walls, and contaminated the mattresses of people's beds. In 1978, after several years of community protest, the government evacuated pregnant women and children under two years old. 239 families abandoned their homes, an area

that the State of New York marked off with a chain link fence. For the other 710 families still living on or around Love Canal, every family was marked by miscarriage, retarded, deformed children and cancer. Out of 15 housed on .96th Street there were eight cases of cancer. The government still claimed there was no link between any of the diseases and the toxic chemicals.

Government Can't Deliver

The people of Love Canal looked to the government to end their nightmare. They demanded the government take responsibility, buy their homes so they could move and never see Love Canal again.

The government has refused even though many political careers are at stake and local politicians up to the New York State Governor Carey are all calling for federal funds. With 30,000 chemical dumps ticking like a timebomb all over the country, the Federal Government doesn't want to set a precedent of bailing out Love Canal. It's not the 60's anymore where relative stabilization of U.S. imperialism and super-exploitation of third world countries gave them superprofits to buy time by giving a crumb here, a reform there. This is the 80's and the economic and political scenery has changed quite a bit. Third world revolutions like Iran, Nicaragua, have cut off the superprofits and hence the crumbs and reforms. The crisis at home is so bad they can hardly get the money together to bail themselves out like Chrysler or Steel shows.

At the same time the government also knows that they are watering down the EPA standards in order to encourage investment in basic industries to keep the

economy from collapsing all together. The seeds of other Love Canals are being planted every day.

Meanwhile the U.S. government is exposed. Even Carter's move of providing temporary shelters will not get the government anymore credibility. One mother, who got a letter telling her she had chromosome damage and who's child was born with “minimal brain dysfunction” and a deformity in the knee gave her verdict, “the President is killing us.”

As the people in Love Canal have found, whether you like it or not, there's only one way out—fight back. “We have to take the law into our own hands now,” said one Love Canal resident. Even Mrs. Quimby who “just wants to be a housewife” became a shocktrooper for the struggle.

Love Canal—Not Unique

The people of Love Canal, like millions of Americans today are fed up, frustrated and angry. Anything can push this anger past boiling. In Miami it was the murder of McDuffie, in Levittown, it was gas prices. Years of carrying the crisis on their backs, of seeing their dreams go up in smoke, their kids' future with no hope, are awakening the U.S. people politically. It is moving them to question not only Carter or Kennedy but the whole U.S. capitalist system. The 80's will see a new decade of resistance that will make the 60's look tame.

The American people are more and more facing the choice of fighting or dying—either beaten up or gunned down by cops or face a slow death by cancer and disease. And more and more people are learning through their own experience that in fighting, though there's a threat of jail and death, at least there's a fighting chance. The CWP must be there fighting shoulder to shoulder with them, summing up the masses' experience and teaching them there is a bright future of the dictatorship of the proletariat on the horizon, though the way is tortuous. □

80's Anger Brews on the Ballfields Death on the Sandlots



Blood on ice: The N.Y. Islanders and the Philadelphia Flyers are not only fighting for the Stanley Cup but lately it appears they're fighting for their lives as the economic crisis affects all classes.

Not long ago, when an umpire missed a call, people in the stands would wave eyeglasses at him, cuss his family, maybe a coach or player would scream, jump and kick dust on him—and everyone would shout, “Kill the umpire!” Well, on

April 26, 1980, in Laurel Creek, South Carolina in a softball game between that city and a team from Fountain Inn, the shouting stopped and the shooting started. The capitalist economic crisis is weighing so heavily on the backs of the

American people that every aspect of their lives is being affected, whether it be on the job, at home or even at a ballgame.

What happened was, after a bad call in the game by an umpire, a fight broke out. First a fan ran onto the field with a knife. Then a coach in the dugout pulled out his pistol. While this was going on, the second baseman was attacked by someone else with a baseball bat so he pulled out his gun. Some shots were fired and Raymond Dawkins, an umpire, was dead.

The End Of The American Dream

Things like this never happened in the 50's and 60's. Then Americans still believed in the American Dream—a house, two cars in the garage and a chicken in every pot. The U.S. came out of World War II the number one bully in the world and was able to export economic crisis and inflation to the countries of the third and second world. But today, with the third world rising up and the second world fighting back, U.S. monopoly capitalism is about as stable as Billy Martin's job as manager of the Oakland A's. The capitalist economic crisis—runaway inflation at 18%, unemployment rising faster than the thermometer—has blown away the myth of the American Dream. People's lives are crumbling before their eyes and they don't know why. Feverish with pent-up anger and frustration, people lash out. In this volatile situation anything, even a bad call at a softball game, can tick off an explosion.

The crisis is affecting all classes in U.S. society. Professional athletes, mainly petty-bourgeoisie, are hit by the crunch too and are having trouble making ends meet. This is reflected in their actions on

the field. For example, the National Hockey League penalties for fights are sky-rocketing and the fights are getting more intense and bloodier than in a Roman gladiator's arena. In major league baseball, the old “ban ball” is now being met with the batter dusting off his uniform and running to the pitcher's mound to dust off the pitcher's head with a bat. No more wait until our pitcher gets his turn for retaliation. You throw at me, I swing at you. A bean ball pitch at a player isn't just a threat to him, it's a threat to his whole livelihood, his family and everything he's got.

Edginess, A Sign Of New Energy Among American People

What happened in Laurel Creek can happen anywhere, at any time in the country today. For example, on May 16, at an auto speedway in Charlotte, North Carolina, 8,000 fans began throwing bottles, chairs and anything else they could get their hands on because it was announced that the last race of the night was cancelled. By the time things began to calm down, two and a-half hours of raging temper had been spent. The historic lever of economic crisis has pushed the American people to the edge of their seats.

This edginess felt by everyone represents the beginning of the awakening of the American people. As even the most backward are drawn into politics, this new energy must be organized and channeled. The guns must be turned away from the umpire and the second baseman and turned toward the monopoly capitalist class. The next few years will bring a situation where the least thing, even a softball game, can be the spark that ignites a socialist revolution. □

CULTURE AND CLASS STRUGGLE

Through their songs, the May Day Singers spread the message that socialist revolution is the only solution to all our problems in this decaying capitalist society, and of our bright future under the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Revolutionary Culture: Unleashes People's Fighting Spirit Masses Defend May Day Singers Against the State

Dear Workers Viewpoint:

The 80's will be a politically inflammable decade. As the rebellion in Miami by Afro-Americans has shown, the American people refuse to stand idly by and continue to be crushed by the capitalist economic crisis. Any spark can ignite the frustration and anger of the masses into an explosion of revolutionary resistance.

A couple of weeks ago, a small but significant example of this rising resistance occurred in Washington Square Park in the Greenwich Village section of New York City. I am a member of the May Day Singers, a group of revolutionary musicians and singers who take leadership from the Communist Workers Party. We had gone to the park to spread the message of socialist revolution through our songs, and though it was a cloudy day, people had come out to the park and a small crowd quickly gathered around us.

As we chanted, "The only solution is socialist revolution!" during our anti-fascist song "Beat Back the Attacks," a cop car (which had been watching us for a while) pulled up in front of us and demanded to see a permit for the sound equipment. The pigs got out of the car and made threatening gestures with their billy-clubs, but we refused to stop singing. By then more people gathered around and members of the group and friends started to expose the pigs, who got so scared they called in two more patrol cars! But it was too late, over 100 people had completely surrounded the first squad car and when the other pigs arrived, they didn't know what to do. They weren't scaring anyone. "We know what you're trying to do to these people!" one woman screamed right in a pig's face. Another man yelled, "people are getting raped and mugged and you don't do anything about it, but you send three cars just to stop these people from singing!" Then a member of the Communist Workers Party who had accompanied us told the people why the pigs were using the permit as an excuse to stop

the May Day Singers: "They're doing it because they know that we're telling you the truth about the threat of world war and fascism in this country. They know the American people are tired of inflation, unemployment, that the economic crisis of the 80's is waking everybody up to the fact that the capitalist system doesn't work. They know that they represent the capitalist class and we, the Communist Workers Party, represent workers and oppressed people, and we're here to tell you that the only way to solve all our problems is to fight for socialism—the dictatorship of the proletariat!" The pigs really got scared then, and told him to shut up or he'd be arrested for inciting a riot. The uncompromising communist propaganda won over the masses to our side so much that the pigs knew they couldn't do anything to us or they'd be in trouble. They had to give us back the equipment they had confiscated, tuck their tails between their legs, and run off without making one arrest or issuing one summons. After they left, we continued to sing and talk with the masses, who bought copies of *Workers Viewpoint* and clearly felt good about how we had faced down the pigs.

This example shows the character of the 80's. The masses were not just reacting to a case of police harassment; but obviously responding to their general frustration at the upheaval the economic crisis is creating in their lives. The pigs became a clear target for that and that's why the situation heated up so fast. This shows us that in this period, communist propaganda is highly important. It was the propaganda that rallied the masses to our side and pointed out who was the masses main enemy — the monopoly capitalists. In the 80's, as more and more Miami's spring up, it is that communist propaganda that will help focus the spontaneous, revolutionary rage of the masses into dealing a deathblow to capitalism.

One lesson we learned was that because the unprecedented way the entire strata of

U.S. people are being politically awakened, culture takes on even more significance. It is a form that can bring the Party's views into every household and that the broad masses can embrace. It becomes a powerful, creative way to educate the masses around the correct way forward in the 80's — socialist revolution under the leadership of the Party. We are struggling to help create a movement of revolutionary culture that will serve the working class, broadly propagate the Party's line and promote socialist ideals and values. In this way we will help to build the Communist

Workers Party, the most important way to prepare for the dictatorship of the proletariat in the 80's.

In struggle,
C.B.
New York

P.S. The May Day Singers are currently trying to reach as many people as possible. Besides singers, songwriters and sound people, we need people to help in producing a songbook to help us with our equipment, publicity and other areas. If interested, please call (212) 233-0988.

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THE COMMUNIST WORKERS PARTY successfully completed a 6-month fundraising drive which began in September 1979 and surpassed our goal of \$150,000. This money comes from the sweat and blood of Party members, friends, and supporters all around the country. For example, one worker contributed the compensation he got for losing a finger on the job to the Party. It reflects their strong stand to fight for the interests of all workers and oppressed peoples — to fight against the criminal ruling class, the Rockefellers and Morgans. These funds have helped to turn the Party's line into a material force, to build up the Party and prepare for the dictatorship of the proletariat in the 1980's. It has been used for our posters, banners, weekly newspaper and other equipment we need to push out our political offensive against the bourgeoisie. It helped us face down the state on Nov. 11 in

Greensboro and to take on the Ku Klux Klan and cops in Kokomo, Indiana, on April 26.

Today's economic crisis is forcing Americans to change their whole way of life, and to question whether or not they can continue to live under this rotten capitalist system. Millions are confused, disorientated, and looking for answers. More and more people are no longer just absorbing the crisis but are being set off into political resistance as Miami shows. In the 80's each and every American will have to choose between two roads — fascism and world war OR socialist revolution.

The Party has a decisive role to play here. The Party, and the Party alone, can lead the U.S. people in destroying this evil system. The armed rebellions in Miami, Wichita, and Idabel, Oklahoma, are signs of a spontaneous revolutionary situation which is approaching rapidly.

On May Day 1980, Comrade Jerry Tung, General Secretary of the Communist Workers Party, declared:

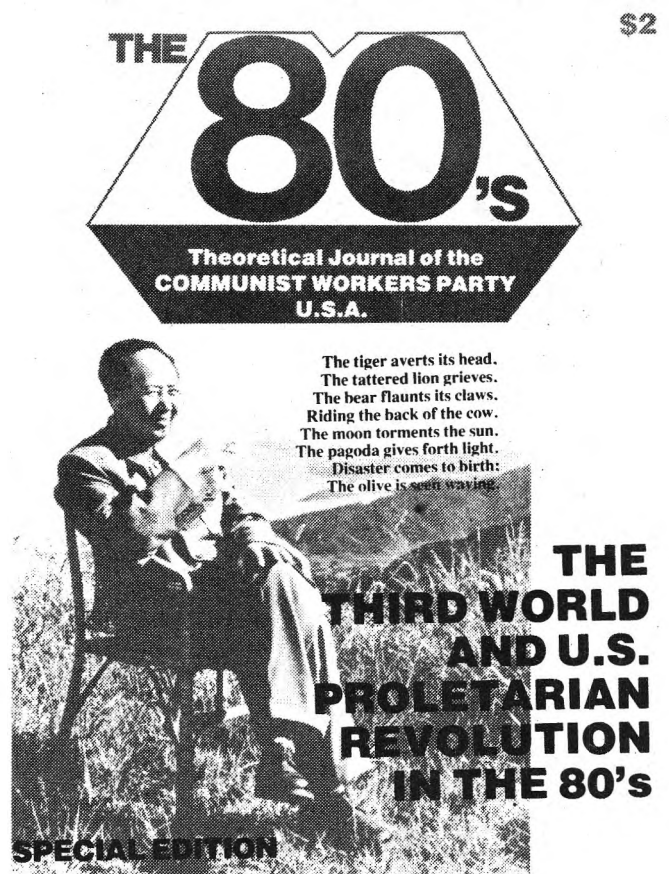
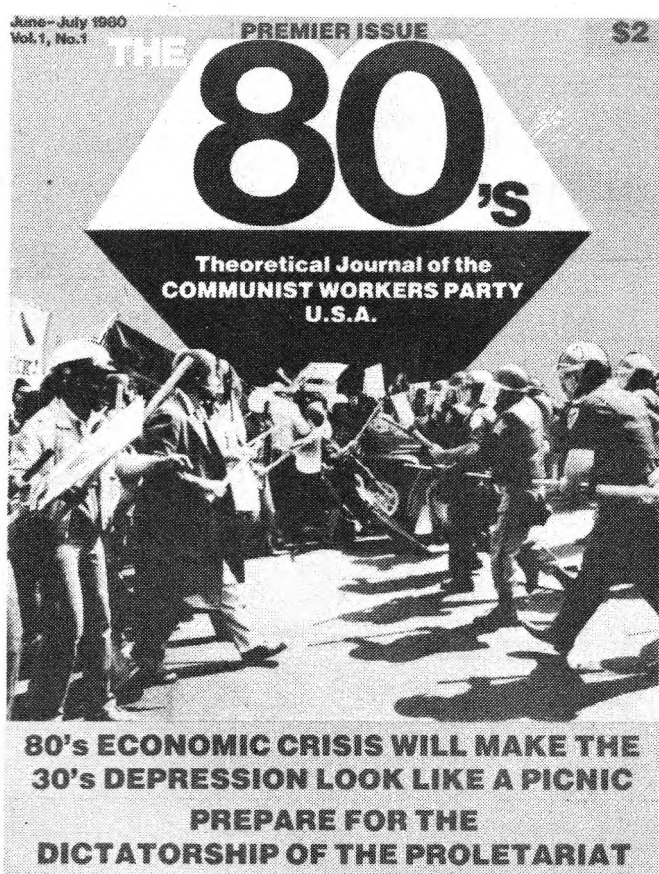
There will be momentous struggles in the 1980's. This will affect everyone's life, inflict casualties on everyone's family and deeply scar the hearts and minds of every American alive. It will also be a struggle for our final emancipation. It can be the last fight to end all wars, class exploitation and national oppression, a fight to eliminate all classes and all oppressive and exploitative ideology and practices which flow from class society.

That's the opportunity as well as the danger posed to us in the 80's. The 80's will have to be made into a glorious epoch, not simply an intense decade. For this is the time in history when tens, hundreds and millenia can be packed into 10 years, if we have a profound grasp of history

and class struggle. The development of the whole world, in a way, is hinged on the destruction of this evil U.S. imperialism. The destruction of U.S. imperialism and the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat in the U.S. will decisively tip the balance in favor of the fight for justice, true democracy and liberation of all mankind. The 80's can be the threshold to the immediate death of the imperialist system worldwide and the emergence of the first large revolutionary socialism and dictatorship of the proletariat in the world where it can't be reversed and the working class victory will get to such a point of no return.

Our 6-month fundraising drive has come off with flying colors and brought us closer in our preparation for the dictatorship of the proletariat in the 80's. But for the inevitable struggles ahead we need

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Although it is decayed through and through and riper than ever before to be overthrown, the capitalist system is centuries old. It is built upon the strength of feudal and slave society where in similar fashion but in different ways a minority controlled and oppressed the majority of people.

In order to destroy this monster, we will have to fight with all our might. In the next few years we will have to make a lot of sacrifices, sacrifices like you and I have never done before. We'll need tightness and discipline in a way we've never done before. Because the extent to which we can do that is the extent to which we can seize state power with a minimum of bloodshed. And it is that extent to which we can help each other so that we will not lose our loved ones and each other.

It is with that foresight that we call on Party members, friends, and all Americans to give money to the Communist Workers Party and invest in a bright socialist future.

**BUILD THE COMMUNIST
WORKERS PARTY TO
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DICTATORSHIP OF THE
PROLETARIAT IN THE 80's**

FBI Scrambles To Protect Politicians From People's Rage

NEW YORK, N.Y.—The bourgeoisie is freaking out at the thought of what the Communist Workers Party and the angry American people will do to them at the Democratic National Convention in New York City this August. Two weeks ago, Carter asked Congress for \$7 million from the people's tax money to pay for protecting both the Democratic and Republican National Conventions. Most of the money is supposed to go towards paying police overtime. A week before Carter made the request, the FBI announced that it is setting up a joint task force with the New York City Police Department to "monitor terrorist activity" in New York City. The first job of this special spy squad will be to protect the Democratic Party convention.

The monopoly capitalists are so afraid of the wrath of the CWP for the assassination of our five comrades on Nov. 3 and of the American people as a whole for being forced to pay for the capitalist economic crisis that they have to protect themselves from the people. So much for the "free" election process of bourgeois democracy that the ruling class is always bragging about.

Special Squad to Stop CWP, Masses from Crashing Garden Party

The FBI claims that its special unit is aimed at groups like the FALN and Omega 7. But the FBI already has a team assigned to the FALN (a Puerto Rican nationalist organization that believes in terrorism as a strategy for the liberation of their people). Several leading members were busted in Chicago earlier this year, and recently one was convicted. Omega 7 is a group of U.S. imperialism-loving traitors to the Cuban revolution. These scum are the same types that the CIA recruited for their Bay of Pigs invasion in the 60's. The FBI uses low-life like Omega 7 to carry out the bourgeoisie's dirty work just as they used the Klan and Nazis on Nov. 3 to murder the CWP 5. Omega 7 has no reason to threaten their master's election fanfare in August and the FALN is in no position to do so.

The real purpose of this special squad is to spy on, harass and intimidate the CWP and other progressive organizations and individuals who will be going to crash the Garden party. The FBI is trying to scare

people off from serving notice to the politicians, just like the state tried to keep people away from the CWP 5 burial march on Nov. 11 in Greensboro.

But neither the CWP nor the American people can be intimidated by these crude, clumsy tactics. On Nov. 11, the Party and our friends buried our murdered comrades, defying 1,000 National Guardsmen, FBI, and police armed with armored cars and flame throwers, and the masses defied the state to come out and express their solidarity. The people weren't intimidated when they came out in force for the Feb. 2 anti-Klan demonstration despite the state's threat of violence.

We've shown the bourgeoisie that there's no place they can hide. In Washington, D.C., we penetrated the security of the Justice Department to serve notice to the ruling class' chief spy, Attorney General Civiletti. Using diversionary tricks like the state used to set up the CWP 5 murders, two comrades "fainted," pulling all the guards in one direction. Other comrades walked to Civiletti's office, spraypainted, "Avenge the Murders of the CWP 5" right outside

his door, and walked out of the building unnoticed. We dogged Kennedy's campaign trail and forced him to speak to the assassination of the CWP 5, showing the bourgeoisie that there's no place they can run to either.

1980 Most Critical Election for Capitalism Ever

The 1980 election is the most critical for the bourgeoisie ever. They have to put all their effort into building the election fanfare in order to shore up the American people's crumbling faith in the capitalist system. In August, at the Democratic National Convention in New York City's Madison Square Garden, we have an opportunity to take the momentum the ruling class has to create and turn it around to indict them and their criminal system. □

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WHAT WAS FOUGHT FOR WILL BE IMPLEMENTED

A Talk With ZANU Part 2

T.J. Kangai, Zimbabwe's chief representative at the United Nations



This is the second part of an interview by the Communist Workers Party with Comrade T.J. Kangai who has been ZANU (Zimbabwe African National Union) chief representative to North America, Latin America and the United Nations. After leading 14 years of armed struggle against imperialism and apartheid in Rhodesia and after an overwhelming victory in the recent elections in Rhodesia, ZANU (headed by their comrade President Robert Mugabe) will govern a new Zimbabwe. This interview was done right before the formal independence ceremonies for Zimbabwe on April 18.

See Workers Viewpoint, May 12th issue for Part I.

ZANU: ... You will find that most of the ministries that are very important, in terms of initiating changes are led by our Party within the government. You find the head of that department and even the deputy, being from ZANU. By taking those key positions, which are very very key, for changes we want in Zimbabwe, we are set to implement our goals and objectives which we enunciated during the war of national liberation. So things definitely are changing in Zimbabwe. Al-

though we are not yet a government, we have been able to end martial law, curfews which ended in Zimbabwe about three weeks ago. Those weapons which surrounded the protected villages, concentration camps, were put down about two weeks ago. So these are things we told the government to do although we are not yet in power. So there has to be a clear distinction between our government and the so-called Smith-Muzorewa regime. We do mean business, we are very serious and there ought to be changes in Zimbabwe. Many people died during the war of national liberation, others were maimed. The years of suffering going on in Zimbabwe. And our organization was living the war of national liberation and it is a people's movement. Therefore it has to make sure the aspirations of the people are met. This is the commitment that we have and there is no way that we can run away from it. So I would like to assure our friends and supporters here (in the U.S.) that our Party is adamant in getting real power for the people in Zimbabwe, political and economic. Time will tell. We know where we are going. Our goals were set during the war of national liber-

ation. And now we are in a better position to implement our objectives and aspirations.

People have to understand that our country has been isolated for many years. We need our friends in the world, we need many friends, progressive governments within Africa, Asia, Latin America and progressive groups in the western world. This is our thrust. So our foreign policy will positively be non-alignment. We have been under British rule for decades. We are not going to allow anybody to subjugate us. We should be our own masters, we should be independent. We should play our role in the non-aligned movement actively. In all our doings internationally the idea of non-alignment will be guiding our activities and positions.

CWP: *There are countries that call themselves non-aligned. But when it comes to non-aligned conferences, they try to get other countries to side with one of the two superpowers. In terms of non-aligned movement, how does ZANU see steering clear of both superpowers?*

ZANU: Definitely we will not be pro-any superpower. We will only be pro-Zimbabwe. We might agree with different countries on certain issues, but that will be decided by ourselves independently. We will take our own positions and own judgments by ourselves on every issue. And this will be taken following the policy of non-alignment. So we will develop relations with many countries in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean and our relations with progressive groups in the western world will continue. We are not an aggressive country. We were simply fighting to gain our independence. Therefore we will not attack other African countries or interfere in other peoples internal affairs. That is our position.

We have a wealth, we have people. Villagers were mobilized during the war and they are highly conscious, highly politicized. That is why I'm saying what was fought for will be implemented. No government is going to survive that doesn't meet the needs of the people. Those people were radicalized during the war. Second, the wealth of our experience gained during the war of national liberation, we can contribute within the frontline countries, the OAU (Organization of African Unity), the Pan-Africanist movement, the socialist movement, the non-aligned movement. We learned a lot during the war. Our leaders have traveled to many parts of the world. So there are people who are conscious in terms of what goes on in many parts of the world. So we are confident that we will contribute. Yes there are problems in Zimbabwe that have to be solved—the question of resettlement of our refugees, thousands who are coming from the frontline countries. They need shelter, food. Reconstruction

is to be done, roads, bridges, schools, villages, hospitals were destroyed during the war. These are things that have to be repaired. These are the tasks which we have to embark on and we think the international community will continue to help us.

Let me say the victory that ZANU won in the election was not a victory for ZANU only. It was a victory for the people of Zimbabwe as a whole. I personally know that there are some people and groups out there who wanted somebody else to win. They feel uncomfortable or unhappy. But we feel that is their own problem. In Zimbabwe, people are saying, so to speak, we have our country back. They are referring to independence. People were supporting Muzorewa, people were supporting Sithole. But now we have our country and we can play our role in the international community. The people of Zimbabwe can really become independent. They are controlling the instruments of power. The police force is almost transformed. ZANU and ZAPU (Zimbabwe African Peoples Union), which was trained during the war, now occupy the top position in that area. The army too, efforts are being made to integrate ZANU and ZAPU forces plus some elements from the Rhodesian army. This is why you find commanders of ZANU and ZAPU and Peter Walls (who was head of the Rhodesian armed forces) working together. But promotions will be made on the part of the Africans. Africans from the liberation movement will be promoted and take higher positions in the police force, the army, in the judiciary, in the civil services. There has to be change. You will notice, four of the top racist judges are resigning and their positions are being filled in by brothers and sisters who were in the movement. We are fighting for independence.

Our victory was welcomed by many forces in Africa and around the world. Our struggle was followed by many progressive forces in the world who are justified in being happy. We are happy but we are cautious because Africa is not completely free yet. Namibia is still dominated by South Africa. And Zimbabwe will not be secured as long as the conflict inside Namibia and South Africa is not yet resolved. And we think those who want a strong and independent Zimbabwe should support our brothers and sisters inside South Africa (Azania). They should support SWAPO (South West African Peoples Organization that is fighting in Namibia), so that Zimbabwe can consolidate its power.

CWP: *After 7 years of struggle how do you explain ZANU's coming to power through elections?*

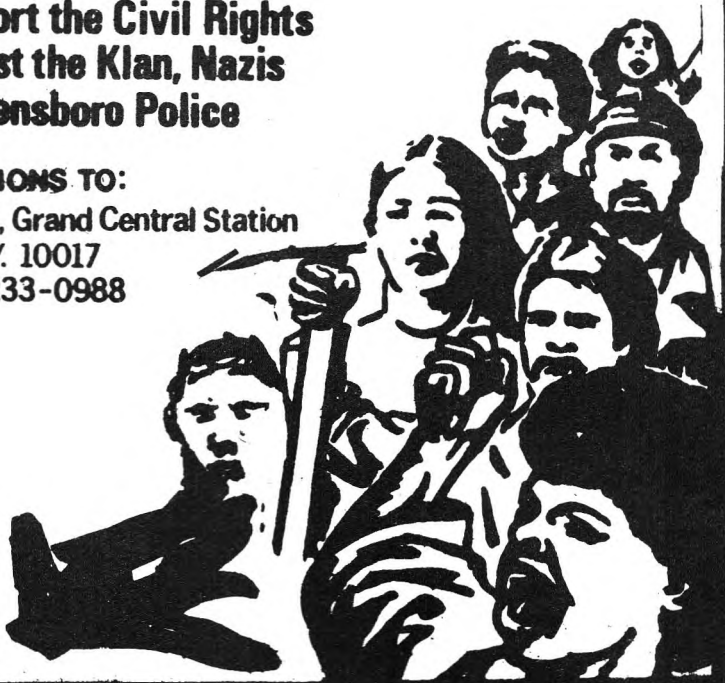
ZANU: Around the 40's and 50's and early 60's in Zimbabwe, the rallying point was "one person, one vote." If free and

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"Death To A Princess": U.S. War Preparation To 'Civilize' Middle East

On Monday night, May 12, more people in New York City watched "Death of a Princess" than any other show on T.V. This scene was repeated all across the country as people flicked to their PBS (Public Broadcasting System) channel to find out why the Saudi government made an official protest on the showing of this film. When the film was shown in England last month, Saudi Arabia expelled the British Ambassador temporarily and recalled their own Ambassador from London until the British Foreign Office made an apology. Saudi Arabia sent a message to the U.S. State Department protesting "the many inaccuracies, distortions and falsehoods" in the film which is offensive "not only to Saudi Arabia, but to the entire Islamic world".

For those viewers who watched this documentary-drama, they were treated to the most blatant chauvinism that promoted the same old stereotypes against Arabs and Islam. The film supposedly traces the efforts of a British reporter as he investigates the execution of a Saudi princess and her lover for adultery in 1977. Done in a series of interviews set in London, Beirut, and Saudi Arabia, the film resembles a "60 Minutes" segment that ridicules the culture and religion of all Islamic countries. The wearing of a veil by women is shown as being oppressive. But many women wear it on purpose as a rejection of western imperialist culture and pride in their own. It is like showing Afro-American women wearing an afro hairdo as oppressive. The princess is portrayed as rebelling against this type of oppression through embracing imperialist culture. And made-up scenes of Arab royalty cruising the streets in chauffeur-driven limousines, picking out studs that strike their fancy and meeting them in

boutiques for sordid love affairs is justified as righteous rebellion against their oppression. But it is precisely this western imperialist decadence that the women in Islamic countries are rejecting. Yet the movie tries to generalize their story as representative of life in the Middle East. One angry Arab compared this film's portrayal of Arabs to making a film of Charles Manson and Lizzie Borden as representative of U.S. society.

Although every scene of the movie was staged and every interview conducted with professional actors, people tend to believe this movie as fact more than ABC's "Attica" or NBC's "Raid on Entebbe". This film was made believable because PBS, with its "Sesame Street" and "Masterpiece Theatre", lent its reputation for objective, educational, programming.

PBS, which made the film, is funded directly by the government and other monopoly capitalists like Exxon, Mobil, Ford Foundation and Rockefeller Foundation. The main audience of PBS is the petty bourgeoisie, those that are influential in creating public opinion. The bourgeoisie ripples their line and whips up public opinion very quickly through their use of the mass media. Unlike a third world country like China, every household in the U.S. has a T.V. or radio. To ripple the

line out in China, mass meetings must be called in every village and community to discuss it. But in the U.S., you are hit with it when you least expect it, bombarded on the T.V. news and while relaxing and enjoying a T.V. show like "Death of a Princess".

Why is this film being passed off as a documentary now? The film is used to whip up chauvinism against the Arab people and prepare U.S. public opinion to go to war in the Middle East. In preparations for a new world war, U.S. imperialism must guarantee its continued access to Middle East oil as well as the strategic, military position that the Middle East occupies. Carter has already set up a Rapid Deployment Force to respond at an instant's notice to hotspots, particularly in the Middle East. To prepare the U.S. people for this eventuality, the bourgeoisie is using the same chauvinist tactic of painting their enemies as less than human. During World War II, the bourgeoisie told the soldiers that the Japanese were only a higher form of monkey and killing them was no big deal. Similarly, Vietnamese were referred to as "gooks" and killing them was justified.

In "Death of a Princess, the Middle East is painted as a barbaric, uncivilized society without liberties. Through subtle associations, the U.S. bourgeoisie is trying

to whip up a certain chauvinist image of Arabia, boxing them in. Already, Middle Eastern countries are blamed for the U.S. oil crisis through raising oil prices in OPEC. Reports of rich Arab sheiks buying up everything in sight is used to further whip up this chauvinism. "Death of a Princess" is a continuation of this type of effort, dredging up all the old stereotypes to justify U.S. military intervention to go and "take over the oil fields and civilize the Arabs".

"Death of a Princess" only shows the desperate nature of U.S. imperialism. Even Saudi Arabia, historically close to U.S. imperialism, has to be attacked because it is standing up against U.S. imperialism through OPEC and rejection of the U.S. Camp David treaty. The growing power of the third world is shown when Britain was forced to apologize for the film, and the U.S. tried to squirm out of it on the pretext of "freedom of speech". Mobil, one of the partners in Aramco, the Saudi oil company, knuckled under the pressure by taking out an ad in the *New York Times* to put distance between themselves and the movie (even though their funds helped finance the making of the movie). But with their long-term interests in the Middle East at stake, there was no way "Death of a Princess" would have been yanked off the air. □

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fair elections could have been held, the Africans were in a position to win those elections and form a majority government. So our people were prepared for elections a long time ago. Even when ZANU was formed, the idea was to force the British to accept the concept of "one person, one vote." At first our people knew the concept of free and fair elections. This is quite different from some colonies in Africa. Some colonialists, namely the Portuguese, did not talk of free and fair elections to their so-called subjects. So when FRELIMO (liberation organization that won victory over the Portuguese colonialist in Mozambique) was fighting, for example, they never said to their people the concept of free and fair elections. They were fighting to overthrow the enemy and establish themselves in power. But in Zimbabwe, the idea of elections had really sank into the minds of our people. So around the 50's and 60's, most of the nationalists were rallying our people around the concept of one person, one vote. Therefore it was not a compromise for us to go to the Lancaster House agreements.

So the concept of elections is a thing that has been hammered into the people of Zimbabwe for quite some time. So it would be inconceivable for any liberation movement or any party in Zimbabwe to shy away from the idea of free and fair elections. In the western world, people were saying we were waging the war because we did not have the vote. And if elections were held, Muzorewa could defeat us. So the war was either to overthrow him and grab power or to force him into an atmosphere whereby free and fair elections could be conducted. Once that was conducted, we knew that we would win. So that is why I was saying the war of national liberation...gaining

our independence ...or forcing the enemy into a position where he would agree to transfer power through free and fair elections. So the concept of free and fair elections is a thing that is part and parcel of our life in Zimbabwe. In ZANU, during normal conditions, elections are conducted. Here our chapters in the U.S. (Kangai explains the election structure inside Z ZANU abroad and in Zimbabwe). So the concept of democratic elections is what we have in Zimbabwe that we were denied by the British all along—the question of our universal suffrage, the question of free and fair elections. The "internal settlement" which was a compromise by the British and Smith to a certain degree was simply fake elections conducted by Smith himself and the Muzorewa army. We were fighting to have the ballot. In other words, the bullet produced the ballot. The ballot had been denied us all along. Someone was saying the other day that a liberation movement would defeat the colonial forces at their own game. In other words, like areas like Vietnam and somewhere else there wasn't a test where the liberation movement could win elections despite assassination attempts, harassment, arrests, intimidation and what have you. But it shows that the people of Zimbabwe supported the war of national liberation. They knew who was waging that war. So unfortunately, the intent of the war was not really covered by the bourgeois media here. The war had really penetrated the length and breadth of Zimbabwe. And people know who was fighting. Our forces suffered with the people, stayed with the people, died with the people. So if the people had not voted for ZANU what it would have meant is that they were not going to vote for themselves. ZANU and the people had become one. □



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The Housing Crisis High-Priced Coops Shatter Petty Bourgeoisie's Image of Themselves

The death of suburbia and with it, the death of the American dream of owning your own home, has sharply focused the apartment crisis of the country. The national apartment shortage, even according to government standards of a "healthy" 5% vacancy rate, has reached crisis levels. In Manhattan, the vacancy rate for apartments south of 96th Street is 1%.

With the severe apartment shortage and with suburban people moving back into cities to escape high gasoline prices, the cost of rent of apartments has skyrocketed. Yet with epidemic unemployment and galloping inflation, people are less and less able to afford decent places to live anywhere.

41% of the apartment buildings across the country are already 40 years old. But there are few new apartments being built. Because the economy is racked with permanent crisis, long-term investments are getting riskier every day. Private investors are afraid to put big money into new buildings because it will take them years to reap profits.

The economic crisis of capitalism has created a situation in New York City's housing that has never been seen before. The present craze of converting apartments into co-ops is part of this. Last year 12,000 rental apartments were converted to co-ops compared with 1,750 in 1977. Conversion is a national trend occurring in Los Angeles, Chicago, Washington and Philadelphia. It's called "condomania."

Conversion fever is especially squeezing petty bourgeois neighborhoods in the major cities. The economic crisis, through the housing crunch and all aspects of life, is acting like a lever upon the petty bourgeoisie, making them change in unprecedented ways—their life styles, their outlooks—polarizing them faster and in a more thorough-going way than ever before.

Why Co-oping Squeezes the Petty Bourgeoisie Out

Most co-oping conversion is happening in the middle to upper income buildings where the landlords make tremendous profits. By selling off his apartments as co-ops, landlords can get ready cash rather than deal with the inflated expenses of maintaining a building and dealing with the rising resistance to bad housing. Once a landlord proposes his co-op plan, tenants are either forced to buy their apartments or move out.

In a co-op, the tenants must buy the lease to his apartment, which also means buying shares in a co-op corporation. For the landlord, he makes tremendous profit selling off his apartments one by one as co-ops, rather than by selling the whole building at once. Said one angry Forest Hills tenant, "The assessed value of the building is \$2.2 million, and he's trying to get us to spend \$6.4 million on it."

But even most of the tenants in these luxury and semi-luxury apartments can-

not afford to buy. Last month one co-op sold for \$1.6 million. In editor Mary Robert's modest older building in the relatively well-to-do neighborhood of the east 30's, the landlord's proposal to convert the apartment to co-ops means that her present rent of \$410 a month would go up to \$784 a month.

Most people can't even qualify for a co-op mortgage anyway with today's tight mortgage restrictions and high interest rates. Since most banks require that the mortgage payments and the maintenance costs of the co-op can equal no more than 25% of a family income, most families do not qualify for a co-op mortgage.

And if you can't buy, under a co-op eviction type plan, you have to move or be evicted. Most tenants are angered at being forced to buy something they don't want. Said one tenant, "They've really got you. The buying of a co-op is very unappealing with today's mortgage rates. The alternatives to moving are very unappealing with the scarce apartment market. After all, this is my home where I have lived for the past 10 years. I feel I have no choice. If I don't buy where will I live?"

Polarization

As a result of the housing shortage, the decay of neighborhoods and government cutbacks in housing funds, the petty bourgeoisie and working class are being pitted for the same housing, the same neighborhoods and the same funding. This is the result of the "gentrification." "Gentrification" is movement of the petty bourgeoisie moving back to the cities, renovating the abandoned homes, moving into the upper-income apartments and upgrading bombed-out looking neighborhoods, to revive the dying cities.

In the upper west side, urban "renewal" in the 60's condemned the entire working class white and partly black and Puerto Rican neighborhoods, and systematically proceeded to destroy the neighborhood. The city became the landlord of the majority of the abandoned and burnt-out buildings, holding a virtual bonanza for the big real estate to buy up cheap in the future. Today, many petty bourgeoisie are also buying up the old brownstones at cheap prices and rehabilitating them. The workers and poor who are being forced out of the neighborhood because of urban "renewal" and gentrification, call these petty bourgeoisie "carpet baggers." Recently, tenants of a middle-income project protested a low-income housing project to be built in their neighborhood because they thought it would downgrade their community.

Co-op conversion creates the same resentment. Said one tenant in a luxury apartment that was undergoing co-oping, "I used to be for rent-control and rent stabilization. I'm a Democrat, a liberal.

But now I'm not for controls at all." This man was against co-op conversion in his building. But at the same time his target for the cause of the co-op squeeze on his living standard is the same target landlords point to as the cause of housing decay—rent control, the workers and the poor.

Because of petty bourgeois pride, he can't admit that what is hitting him now is the same thing that's been hitting the vast majority of people.

Bourgeois Respectability Crumbling

But while some petty bourgeoisie are still trying desperately to cling to their bourgeois respectability, that they are better off than the vast majority of people, the majority are learning through their own experience that the system works only for monopoly capital, and that U.S. democracy is democracy for the rich while the ordinary man and woman have no rights.

Many would-be co-op buyers find that because of the economic crisis of the system, buying a co-op in reality is a near impossibility. Many single people signed up to buy their apartments as co-ops in the John Adams, a semi-luxury building in Greenwich Village. But signing up for co-op doesn't mean that these people who make \$18,000 to \$25,000 a year will even qualify for the mortgage to buy it. Then there are relatively higher paid workers living in this building. So do elderly in rent-controlled apartments. Lawyers, architects, and editors are in an undreamed of predicament. These people who always considered themselves secure with good incomes and able to afford a nice neighborhood and a decent place to live can't buy their apartments. If they don't buy, they face the same eviction march as a squatter in the Upper West Side. They are faced with the same choices as most workers and the poor are—either move to a worst neighborhood with the same no heat, no hot water, or move out of the city altogether. Bourgeois respectability is crushed. Now they can identify with the struggle of other tenants against the greedy landlords. Many better paid workers also are finally realizing that they are not of so-called middle class—but part of the working class. No matter how much you pay for rent. And once you are laid off, gone also is your choice for a decent apartment, even less a co-op.

Arthur Jennings' family owns a small manufacturing company where he works. He lives in a one bedroom apartment in the semi-luxury apartment building, the John Adams, in the exclusive, high-rent neighborhood of Greenwich Village. When the landlord tried to turn the John Adams into a co-op, Jennings stood firmly against it. The housing crisis, the high interest rates and tight mortgage restrictions were all backing him into a corner. "Many people who you thought would be able to buy a co-op opposed the co-oping simply because they did not want to be

forced to buy something they didn't want. That 35% or lawyers or the landlord can force you out is basically unfair. (Under a co-op eviction plan, the landlord only has to get 35% of the tenants to buy their apartments to turn the building into a co-op. The rest must either buy at higher prices or move or be evicted.) Since when was 35% a majority? That democracy is supposed to work through 35% is just not right. I was always taught at school that 51% is a majority, like in basketball at recess. Did you know that Helmsley-Spear, Carol Management (all monopoly real estate in the New York City area) were the 10 main contributors to the Attorney General's campaign fund? (The Attorney General's office approves all the landlord's proposals.) The same office that's supposedly protecting the individual's rights is supported by real estate."

What is propelling the struggles of all people for better housing is the same—the historic lever of the economic crisis of capitalism. From Bedford-Stuyvesant, Brooklyn, to Bayside, Queens or the Upper East Side, the housing problems are caused by the system of capitalism, and will not and cannot be resolved by capitalism. It is the same big real estate developers, who would kick out lawyers of Plaza-400 to co-op it, who profit from the wholesale destruction of communities like Harlem through urban "renewal." While some petty bourgeoisie side with the landlords and blame the workers for the conversion squeeze, more are uniting with the workers and poor. The historic lever of the economic crisis is uniting the broad masses against their common enemy, monopoly capital.

Because of that lever, for the first time, many begin to see their real position in society and are identifying with the struggles of the working class and oppressed people. This strengthens the conditions for the Communist Workers Party to unite the broad masses to make proletarian revolution.

While destroying illusions in bourgeois democracy and isolating monopolies, the system built for monopoly capital cannot be reformed but destroyed. New York City's conversion law of 35%, one of the strictest conversion laws in the country is now under attack by angry tenants. But even the politicians who are sponsoring a new bill admit that it won't stop conversion, but merely hope to slow it down. We can fight the co-op craze, but we can't stop the housing crisis. We fight for rent-control, but it won't build new apartments with the budget cuts trend. Mortgages will never be within the reach of the people again. These changes are permanent, changing the face of the American people, their lives and their politics. Said Arthur Jennings, "Conversion is now saying to people, 'you can stay in New York only if you are rich.'" To do away with the system that is wrenching the U.S. people, we have to tear it completely down. The only solution is socialist revolution! □

Injured Worker Contributes to the Party

"I WANT TO GET RID OF THESE COMPANIES ONCE AND FOR ALL!"

Dear WV:

I've been a reader of yours for quite some time now. I like what I read. I'm writing to you now to share some of my experiences so that other folks can learn from me and perhaps, write in too, about their own.

I'm a mechanic. Last January I caught my hand in a belt at work and tore off the top section of my fourth finger. . . . I guess there are all kinds of miracle techniques and such that doctors can use to save parts of people's bodies. But in my case, there was no such thing. The doctors stitched the section back onto my finger and sent me on my way.

Well, the section didn't take. So a month later I was back. They took the section off so now I have a short finger on my hand. For this, I got \$1,500.

One important thing I want to say is that real people's doctors like Mike Nathan are super important. Going to the hospital and getting this kind of medical care where the doctors decide whether you'll keep your finger or not, all in hushed tones behind your back, just isn't going to cut it. We really need to encourage doctors to explain

more carefully what's going on. . . .

I guess the most important thing is that workers not get hurt at all. I talked to this guy. His hand was cut clean in half by a power mower he was working on. It's paralyzed, he's never going to be able to work again and he's a mechanic like me. These kinds of accidents are really company responsibility; they're not the result of any workers "stupidity" or "being accident prone." Like 3 Mile Island, they blame maintenance, but those guys weren't even trained what to do, who's fault is that?

I want to close by saying a couple of things. First, I'm going to give some of my compensation money to you. I hope it helps. The companies are trying their hardest to cheat the working man out of his due compensation, and guys are getting hurt everyday. I want to get rid of these companies once and for all, that's really the only way that the working man is going to get a fair shake.

Second thing I wanted to say is that I hope other people will write in too. This kind of stuff can't go on unexposed. Yours in struggle,

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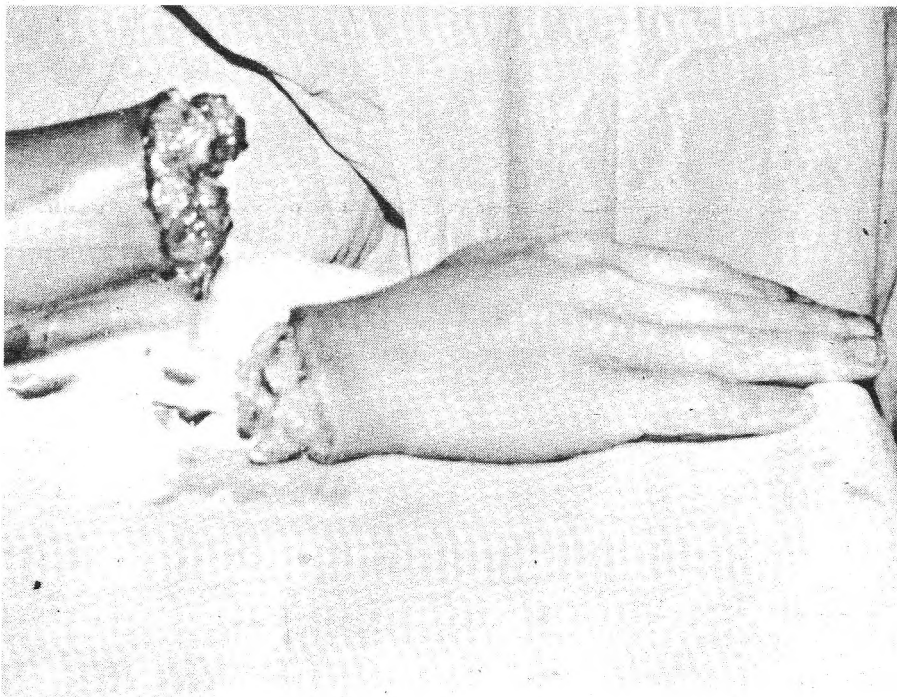
Thank you for your letter and contribution. We appreciate and learn from your revolutionary spirit in contributing to the Party. Not only do you angrily indict the capitalist system, but you back up your words with action. Whenever a worker takes a stand with the Party, we carry on the Communist spirit of boldness and self sacrifice which exemplified "people's doctor," Mike Nathan and the other four Communist Workers Party 5 martyrs who died charging the Ku Klux Klan in Greensboro, N.C. "These five Bolsheviks died fearlessly charging the enemy, fully aware of the danger that faced them in the most conscious possible way, knowing that if they fell another Party member and countless others would step into their place and continue the fight." (WV, Nov. 12, 1979)

The CWP 5 would have agreed with you we must "get rid of these companies once and for all, that's really the only way that the working man is going to get a fair shake." Your experience is another example of how cheaply capitalist medicine treats our lives and feelings. Mike Nathan and Jim Waller (CWP 5 martyr who was also a doctor) saw this cruelty many, many times in their medical practice. Both Mike and Jim loved medicine because it was a tool to serve the people. But they complained bitterly about their own individual ineffectiveness in treating malnourished and sick children whose parents couldn't find work or couldn't afford to send their kids for preventive medical care. In child abuse, they saw some of the ugliest aspects of capitalist oppression. After studying Marxism - Leninism - Mao Zedong Thought, Mike and Jim realized that these illnesses, the oppression and exploitation of workers, national oppression, the Viet Nam War, and cuts in health care were all linked and had their roots in the system of monopoly capitalism. They learned that the only solution to these problems was to overthrow capitalist rule and to establish the dictatorship of the working class. As Marty Nathan said of her husband, "He was a doctor because he loved the masses. He was a Communist because he knew that being a doctor was not enough, that humanity's most killing disease is capitalism."

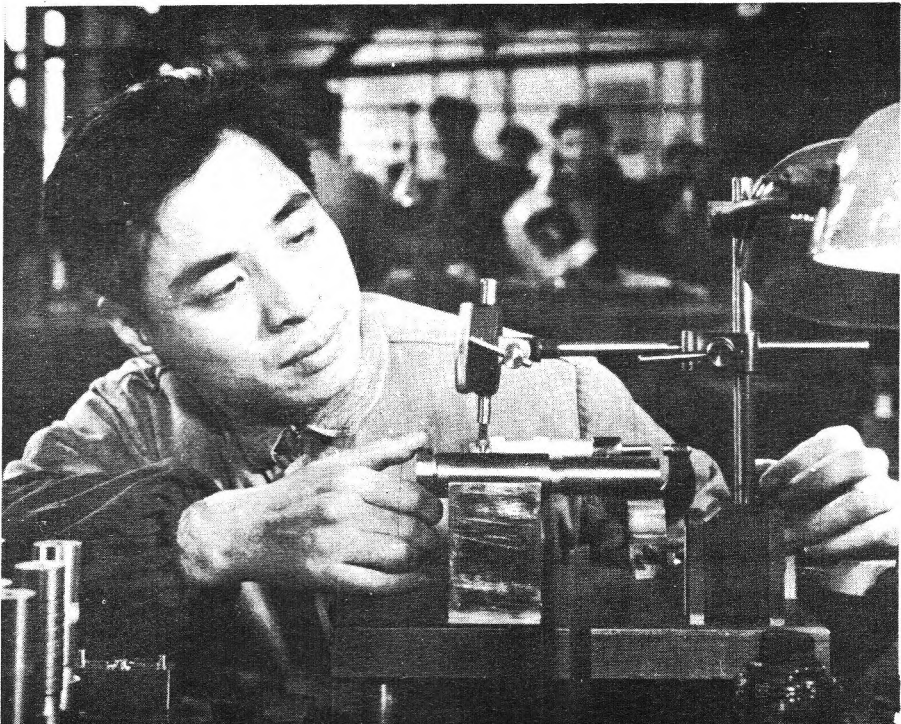
The CWP 5 died fighting for the dictatorship of the working class in the U.S. They followed the example of socialist China. In 1949, the Chinese people, under the leadership of Chairman Mao Zedong and the Communist Party of China, threw off the shackles of imperialist domination and its own exploiting landlord and capitalist classes. After a half-century of struggle when millions sacrificed their lives, the Chinese people established workers rule. For the first time, Chinese workers had a society which treated them with concern, gratitude and dignity.

Compare your case with that of the first reattached limb in the history of socialist China, before Mao died and the revisionists stole state power. On Jan. 2, 1963, factory worker, Wang Cung-po severed his right hand. It was a clean cut, simple to stitch up and attach an artificial hand. However, Dr. Chen, who had worked at a factory and acquired great respect for the industriousness and character of the workers, felt uneasy about this. An artificial hand may look good but in reality would be practically

useless. So, when Wang's co-workers brought him the hand and asked him to reattach it, Dr. Chen gladly took up the challenge. The operation took seven hours and it was several days before they knew whether the hand would properly heal. After this success, the reattachment of limbs was popularized throughout China so much that these operations soon became commonplace. At a Surgical Congress in Peking, Wang himself mounted the rostrum and spoke. "My father used to work in a factory. One day a machine fell on his foot and smashed it. He was driven out without a penny of compensation and never managed to find work because he walked with a limp. My right hand was cut off but the doctors put it back on again and trained me to use it. My factory patiently waited for me to recover the use of my hand and they paid me my full wages all the time." In a dramatic and intensely moving gesture, Wang raised his right arm and clenched the fist. "Here is the hand. My right hand has been given back to me by our socialist society. I swear that I will use it till my dying day to safeguard our good new life."



In capitalist society injured workers such as the one who wrote us get bad medical treatment and minimal compensation, whereas, in socialist China (before Mao died and the revisionists took over), doctors saved factory worker Wang Cung-po's severed hand. He said, "My right hand has been given back to me by our socialist society. I swear I will use it till my dying day to safeguard our good new life."



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Internationally, the U.S. faces the raging tide of the third world's resistance, as in Iran and Nicaragua with South Korea rocked by massive armed resistance to the U.S.-backed fascist regime. OPEC far from being split up, is more united than ever in resisting the U.S.' attempt to export the crisis. Even second world countries, are fighting U.S. domination for their own interests, as their lukewarm Iran sanctions show. Today, there is no way for the U.S. to prevent the chickens from coming home to roost.

Faced with the deepest economic crisis ever, unable to agree among themselves on how to get out, faced with the erupting volcano of mass discontent fed up with the bankrupt politicians served up as candidates, the bourgeoisie faces the choice of losing their rule or trying to get out through fascism and world war. To attack abroad, they have to attack the people of the U.S. first. Thus, unlike the 60's unable to offer even the smallest reforms, they are at this very moment trying to institute fascism. They do it through means such as the criminal code revision — backed by Kennedy — and the CIA charter, which would make the government's dirty work legal and strip the masses of practically every legal right to resist their attacks.

And the rising specter of communism haunts the bourgeoisie day and night. Far from cowering the Communist Workers Party and the masses, the murders of our comrades Jim Waller, Cesar Cauce, Mike Nathan, Bill Sampson and Sandy Smith by the KKK/Nazis/FBI and the indictment of the Greensboro 6 only unleash the fury and hatred of every justice-loving American. We have and will continue to serve notice to the bourgeoisie, as we have to top spy Civiletti, Kennedy and Mondale, penetrating their inner sanctums and their every attempt to hide their true faces from the people. And we will avenge our comrades' heroic deaths by leading the U.S. people to overthrow this rotten system of capitalism.

The Anderson "Difference": Make the Masses Suffer More

Faced with this unprecedentedly critical situation, the bourgeoisie is scrambling to find a way to prevent the hemorrhaging of the electoral system — the system of choosing who will lead the capitalists in driving the crisis down our throats and

trying to crush our revolutionary resistance in the 80's.

One of the possibilities is Anderson, who has now declared himself an independent candidate. With the majority of even the backward sector of the masses, who cling hope against hope to the electoral system, fed up with the current crop of Democrats and Republicans — the twin parties of war and crisis — a sector of the bourgeoisie have latched on to the Anderson bandwagon. This includes Felix Rohatyn, the head of New York's financial oversight body, Big MAC, and George Ball, the senior diplomat and trusted bourgeois statesman.

Playing on the disgust of the masses with the tarnished names of Carter, Reagan and Kennedy, Anderson is presenting himself, much like Carter in 1976, as the outsider — a politician whose name is clean. Significantly, a recent poll has shown that if the election were held now, Anderson would run neck and neck with Carter and Reagan.

But would Anderson be different? What would a President Anderson mean to the workers and poor of this country? Let's look at Anderson's program for the economy.

First of all, Anderson wants an immediate 50 cent tax on gasoline. On top of that Anderson is calling for a wage freeze. He would back this up with tax credits for companies that held wage increases below a guideline and punish companies with taxes that give the workers a better contract than the guidelines would allow. Moreover, Anderson is calling for a \$3.5 billion cut in social security and government pension payments, which means the elderly will be literally driven to starvation and death. This liberal would also cut \$1.4 billion from energy-assistance payments to the poor, pitting the South and Southwest against the Northeast, where he says "it's needed more." And while throwing a sop to the masses with a gradually phased-in interest exemption from taxes from \$200 to \$750 and "some kind of protection" from being driven into higher tax brackets from inflation, he would shower the monopolies with a two per cent cut in corporate taxes by 1986 and more tax write-offs through allowing accelerated depreciation.

Thus far from being independent of the bourgeoisie, the Anderson difference actually is no difference at all. All bourgeois politicians serve the interests of the monopoly capitalist class. Under the system of bourgeois democracy the masses have only one clear choice if we are to determine our own destiny. And that is to destroy this nightmare called capitalism completely and irreversibly and to build our own future under the total revolutionary reorganization of the U.S. — the dictatorship of the proletariat in the U.S.A.

Serve Notice to the Bourgeoisie! Crash the Garden Party!

This August, the Democratic Party will hold their presidential nominating convention in New York City. To serve notice to the bourgeoisie that the countdown to the end of their rule has begun, to expose their true faces behind the web of lies and deceptions, to show the American people that only by taking the road of revolutionary socialism can our tremendous suffering of this capitalist hell be ended — for these and for the hundreds of years of blood debts yet to be collected from the bourgeoisie by the masses, and especially the murders of the Communist Workers Party 5 (Jim Waller, Cesar Cauce, Mike Nathan, Bill Sampson and Sandy Smith) the Communist Workers Party is calling on all who want to see this system of minority rule of the finance capitalists ended once and for all, to join us in taking our message to the bourgeoisie directly in the streets at the convention site — Madison Square Garden.

While the bourgeoisie wants to have a peaceful Garden Party, with business as usual, we will crash their party and turn it into their nightmare. With millions upon millions suffering in every city, town and community in the country, unemployed, on welfare, in the factories and mines, and everyday getting more desperate as the crisis plunges deeper, the bourgeoisie leaves us no choice today but to die. And either we die like caged animals waiting for the slaughter to get to us or we fight and grab at our chance to turn this hell around!

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Our confrontation with the state in Kokomo, Indiana defines the class struggle in the 80's and the organization and leadership necessary for the fierce battles to come.

Reunification of Korea Only Road to Real Democracy



S. Korean rebels distribute weapons taken from police and army.

THE South Korean government reacted to the week-long student demonstrations that rocked Seoul and other major cities by placing the whole country under military rule on May 17. Universities were closed and student leaders arrested. Opposition party offices were raided and Kim Dae Jung, one of the most prominent opposition party leaders, was arrested and charged with trying to overthrow the government. But the government's desperate move was only like pouring gasoline on a lit powder keg. As news of the arrests reached Kwangju in the south, the city exploded. The whole country was quickly engulfed in a spontaneous revolutionary uprising.

Youth and Students Shook Korean People Into Action

The students, filled with righteousness for a democratic Korea, refused to take this attack lying down. 5,000 students immediately took to the streets of Kwangju to battle the riot police sent to enforce the martial law. The youth and students, not ground down by years of oppression in day-to-day survival and full of revolutionary vigor and limitless energy are like a crisp, clear wind arousing the Korean people. It was this vitality of youth, their uncompromising sense of justice and what ought to be, that Mao tapped when he sent the Red Guards as shock troops to kick off the Cultural Revolution throughout China.

The people of Kwangju became an angry steamroller after the student demonstration. The next day, cab drivers gathered at the city stadium and drove in a caravan into the city, ramming their cars into a division of paratroopers. They were among 30,000 students and workers who rose up that night, burning a TV and radio station that supported the military regime.

Chain Reaction Begins, Other Cities Join Kwangju

As dawn rose over the city, they con-

tinued to battle the troops and stormed the armory for weapons. Hospitals overflowed with the wounded and the dead, but the people poured out a whole lifetime of pent-up anger and hatred for the fascist government. After eighteen years of hell under the fascist rule of Park Chung Hee (S. Korea's former head), the people refuse to live another day under another fascist dictatorship. The masses cannot live in the old way anymore and even if it means death, will fight for a better life.

By May 21, Kwangju was controlled by the people. 200,000 out of the city's 800,000 people demonstrated in the streets. Close to 4,000 weapons were seized, including machine guns, rifles and carbines. In addition, over 200 vehicles were taken, including four armored personnel vehicles and eight riot-control trucks equipped with tear gas launchers. Troops were forced to withdraw from the city and regroup.

Taking the lead from Kwangju, the nearby towns of Polkyo, Hwasun, Chonju and Mokpo also rose up in arms. Rifles in hand, they dared the troops to enter the city.

Shaking like a leaf at the masses' determination and willingness to fight and die, the government decided to open talks with the people of Kwangju and try to work out some kind of compromise. The government is in a bind. They know that any type of fascist crackdown — sending tanks rumbling into the city, strafing the city with aircraft — will only intensify the struggle and cause it to spread as the blood debt increases. At the same time they have nothing to pacify the Korean people with. The masses will see through any sham freedom quickly and will use any real democracy as an opening to organize more resistance. Even among the Cabinet members, one will be holding a news conference promising swift reforms as the solution while down the hall, another news conference with a different Cabinet member will be threatening martial law as the way out.

Contradictions Between U.S. Imperialists & South Korean Government

Ever since the Iranian revolution, the

U.S. has been desperately worried about holding on to S. Korea. They knew that if the Shah's iron-fisted rule could be broken then so could Park Chung Hee's. Carter's "human rights" campaign was aimed at pressuring the S. Korean regime to cut out the cruder aspects of its fascist rule and thus try to trick the Korean people and weaken their resistance. This way the U.S. imperialists could preserve their domination a little longer. When Park refused to go along with this, the imperialists had him assassinated and installed someone more loyal to their interests, Choi Kyu Hah. At the same time, the U.S. cleaned out the Korean Central Intelligence Agency (KCIA) of anyone who didn't toe the line with them and put their loyal dog, Gen. Chung Sung Wha (head of the Korean Joint Chiefs of Staff) in charge.

But by killing Park, whose rule had been air-tight for 20 years, the imperialists had put state power in S. Korea up for grabs. All the military warlords grabbed for power, seeking to claw their way on top. Last December, Gen. Chon Too Hwan, a crony of Park, had General Chung and 50 other top military officers arrested and took over. Ironically, the foundation of Chon's power base is a division of S. Korean troops that he leads which is supposedly under joint command and supervision of both S. Korea and the U.S. Last month, Chon took over as head of the KCIA. U.S. puppet President Choi has been reduced to a mere figurehead, and is under virtual house arrest in the presidential palace. The U.S. has contradictions with General Chon.

The U.S. has no problems seeing him overthrown since this would give them a chance to maneuver someone more to their liking into power. This is why the U.S. has openly supported the student's demand that Chon resign (Chon's response to the U.S. call was to consolidate his power by forcing the entire S. Korean Cabinet to resign and put together a new Cabinet made up of people he trusts). At the same time the U.S. has called for "restraint" on the part of the S. Korean government in dealing with the mass revolt. While this pressure objectively helps the S. Korean people's struggle, the U.S. motivation is totally sinister. On the one hand, the U.S. would like to maneuver the people's struggle to serve its own vulturistic interests and get rid of General Chon. On the other hand, they fear the power of the S. Korean people. If the masses' anger is focused on the U.S., there is little the imperialists can do to avoid being driven out, just as they were kicked out of Iran and Nicaragua.

Democratization Must Be Linked With Reunification With the DPRK

The imperialists push themselves as the "liberators" of Korea from Japanese imperialism after World War II. But it is the Korean people who liberated their own country. All the U.S. did was to keep Korea divided and prop up fascist governments. The U.S. refused to follow the United Nations resolution to have one Korea

and let the Korean people decide their own government. U.S. imperialism caused thousands of Korean people to suffer and die in the Korean war. Even today, thousands of Korean families are still split up because of the artificial boundaries that the U.S. set up. Korean people live under the guns of 38,000 U.S. troops that keep S. Korea an occupied country. Even the Korean army has to follow the command of the U.S. generals.

The Korean people are spontaneously focusing their struggle at the ouster of Gen. Chon and demanding that their deep-seated aspirations for a genuine democracy be implemented. This struggle for democratization must be linked to the fight for reunification with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK, North Korea). The tighter the link, the less opposition parties can sell out to U.S. imperialism. Only through persistent struggle to achieve one unified Korea with the DPRK can the Korean people kick out all imperialists and achieve true independence.

Many Koreans have a spontaneous hatred of Japanese imperialism and tend to see it as their main enemy. Older Koreans remember the colonization by the Japanese imperialists during World War II and how their country was ravaged, their villages pillaged and their people killed. For younger Koreans, the presence of Japanese imperialism is everywhere. More Japanese capital is invested in S. Korea than even the U.S. Japanese industries subjugate the Korean workers to low wages, and flood them with surplus goods. Opposition parties in S. Korea use this sentiment of the people, targeting Japanese imperialism as the enemy and letting the U.S. and Soviet Union off the hook. Some bourgeois democrats in the opposition parties have deep-seated illusions in the U.S. "human rights" campaign.

The situation in S. Korea today is excellent for the people. The Korean masses will no longer put up with business as usual, giving their lives for their just demands. At the same time their oppressors can no longer rule in the old way. The U.S. imperialists are in a sticky position where, if the people's struggle was clearly targeted at them, in addition to the fascist S. Korean government, the imperialists couldn't do a thing about it. The need for strong leadership that can direct the S. Korean people against their main enemy, U.S. imperialism, reunify Korea and bring on real democracy for the people and not just a change of puppets, cries out like never before. □

NEWS UPDATE

On May 27, S. Korean troops surrounded the provincial capital of Kwangju and retook the city, which had been held by the people for five days. The dawn attack occurred as military officials and city leaders were in the middle of negotiations. According to media reports two rebels were killed and 200 others arrested. Four soldiers were wounded.

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YOUNGBLOODS, RISE UP!

CWP Speech Un-Handcuffs Baltimore Anti-Draft Sentiment

BALTIMORE, Md.—May 8. It was the largest anti-draft rally in Baltimore since the Vietnam War. Sponsored by the Towson State University chapter of CARD (Coalition against Registration and the Draft), 18 speakers representing a variety of viewpoints spoke out against registration and the draft. Johnny Bols, an Afro-American reporter and Vietnam vet, described the horrors of Agent Orange defoliants, whose long term effects cause cancer and sterility in the GI's who handled it. Phil Berrigan, one of the Catonsville 9 who in the mid-60's heroically poured blood over draft board files, called for renewed determination to oppose any type of draft registration. Representatives from NOW, NAACP, the American Friends Service Committee, and even a member of Baltimore's City Council, voiced their solidarity against registration and the draft.

Some of the speakers, like Berrigan and the Friends, opposed the draft as pacifists opposed to all war. Others spoke concretely about America's past aggression in Vietnam, and how America is preparing for similar aggression today in places like Iran. None talked about the nature of this coming war and the root cause for it. The question was answered only by a speech given by a Communist Workers Party (CWP) supporter. "Ten years ago American youth were shot dead at Kent State and Jackson State for opposing U.S. aggression in Indochina. Now barely five years after the victory of the Vietnamese people against U.S. imperialism, the U.S. government is preparing for another war. Only this time, it's a different type of war—not a war of a huge superpower against a small third world country, but against another aggressive superpower—the Soviet Union, a hungrier and leaner imperialist seeking new territory and re-

sources. This time, it's world war the U.S. and U.S.S.R. are preparing for—ugly, dirty, nuclear war that will serve the capitalist classes of these two superpowers."

Boldly putting out the CWP's line that the U.S. ruling class must attack the U.S. people first in order to go to war, the speech cited the rise of fascism in the U.S.—of the KKK/FBI murders of the CWP 5, the colossal railroading of the Greensboro 6, the massive arrests in the anti-nuke movement, and Kennedy's S1 (HR 1722) legislation. Many in the audience nodded knowingly, while others, hearing communist analysis for the first time, listened intently. "Many of you think I'm exaggerating about fascism in the U.S. Well, let me say that, like Nazi Germany before it, the government will first attack Communists, then pacifists, minorities, until all resistance is sufficiently squashed. Then they can impose full scale repression, rule by naked force.

"In the eighties we will see hundreds of Kent States and Miamis as the government has to repress the mighty tide of people rising up to beat back the attacks in inflation, unemployment, loss of social services and police brutality in our communities. Is world war and fascism the only alternative for the 80's? The CWP, through studying and applying the revolutionary theories of Marx, Lenin, and Mao Zedong, say "no", we will make revolution to prevent world war. If that is not possible, we'll turn their imperialist war into a civil war, into revolutionary war here at home for a brighter future under socialism. The CWP supports no presidential candidates—neither Carter nor Kennedy—nor Reagan. They're all war candidates, candidates of the capitalists who must go to war. That's why we're calling for all progressive people to Crash the Garden Party, the Democratic



Banner of Uncle Sam reflecting sentiment of the students.

Convention this August, to put the candidates and the whole damn capitalist class on notice that the majority of people say No to the Draft, No World War, No Fascist U.S.A.!"

The speech was met with sharp applause, and many came up afterwards to buy the *Workers Viewpoint* and ask more about the Party. One high school student, who was speaking for CARD, said "I wish I could have said all those things about imperialism, but it's not part of the principles of unity of CARD. I felt handcuffed." This is how reformism choked the youths of the anti-draft movement.

For weeks and months before the May 8 rally, the CWP struggled for open discussion in the meetings in addition to just carrying out the organizational tasks. The CWP proposed forums where the draft issue can be broadened and deepened through questions on the root causes of war and the need for socialist revolution. But opportunists continually tried to stall debate and smother any dis-

cussion of these larger questions, saying it would drive people away who didn't agree with these radical ideas. But when students at Towson CARD agreed that a forum was necessary to sum up all the achievements we made this spring and to make plans for summer and fall, groups such as Socialist Workers Party (SWP) and New American Movement (NAM) who had tried to hide their politics were forced to join in. Now a city-wide forum is planned for May 29 with CWP, SWP, NAM, AFSC (American Friends Service Committee), where discussion can focus on concrete proposals to take to the National CARD Plenary in Washington, D.C. on May 31—June 1.

CWP will be there to boldly push out our propaganda on World War and Fascism in the 80's, and to prepare the masses and train them to wage all-out struggle for socialist revolution and the dictatorship of the proletariat here in the United States. □

Why Did Jason and Dawn Kill Themselves?

SEATTLE, Wa. —It was a suicide pact. Sixteen-year-old Jason Perrine and Dawn Swisher, his 15-year old girl friend had planned it for months.

They borrowed a car from Dawn's sister. At top speed, they drove the car across the parking lot of their old junior high school and smashed it through the concrete wall of the gymnasium shortly after 5:00 AM, May 12, 1980.

Jason was killed instantly. Dawn is in the hospital in serious condition.

Searching for a Solution

"Crazy," some people said after they heard about what the two youth did. But what's really crazy? Getting doped up or popping qualudes? Or night after night losing yourself in whirling discos and flashing lights? That's what capitalism offers youth — aimless, mindless things to pass the time.

Today, the economic crisis is so deep it can't be ignored. You can't "do your own thing" because the crisis forces itself upon you. It is forcing people out of mindlessness, 24-hour highs. Everyone, particularly youth are searching for a solution, a permanent solution to the unlivable conditions they face today.

The solution Jason and Dawn got into was reincarnation. Long ago, they had lost interest in school and stopped going to classes. They dropped out of school and wanted to live together. When the possibility came up that they would not be together much longer, they felt they had no choice.

Their decision to commit suicide was a conscious act. It was a rejection of the mindlessness and hypocrisy of the system. While for some of their friends, suicide was a game to fantasize about, for them it was a commitment. And they were so committed in the belief that reincarnation would be a better life, they were willing to kill themselves for it. Suicide is no solution. But without the leadership of the Communist Workers Party and the science of Marxism - Leninism - Mao Zedong Thought, people will grab onto any thing that seems to provide answers to their questions and offers a better life — whether it be religious philosophy, communism or even fascism.

Only Two Roads in the 80's

At Jason's funeral they said he was "incapable of balancing the ideal with the real." That's blaming the victim for the

crime. One of the most precious qualities of youth is their uncompromising ideals, their sense of right and wrong, their zeal about what the world ought to be like. They aren't ground down yet by the day-to-day struggle to survive: that's why they are often the shock troops of revolutions around the world.

It was because of youth's uncompromising spirit that Mao chose them to be the shock troops of the Cultural Revolution. Under Mao's guidance, and imbued with a broad view of what socialist China should look like, they kicked off the struggle to continue the revolution. Students at Kent State were killed in the struggle against the Vietnamese War and their deaths helped all U.S. people to see the reactionary nature of U.S. imperialism. Today students in Korea are the shock troops in making revolution there, and are jolting Korean workers and peasants into the fight.

But youth under capitalism can only look forward to unemployment, drugs, police brutality, and now fascism and World War III. Today, America's precious youth are wasted by capitalism more than ever before. There are only two roads today, preparing for the dictatorship of the proletariat or world war and fascism. The students and youth in the anti-draft movement are dealing blows against the bourgeoisie's imposing fascism to prepare the U.S. people for war.

Youth and students, along with the rest of the U.S. people, are forced to take positions and get involved in politics. The social-democrats like Harrington want to turn the anti-draft movement into a peace and flowers movement. The bourgeoisie would divert fighting youth into fascist youth gangs like the "Guardian Angels"

(organized by the New York City Police Department to fight "crime" on the subways), and murder thousands of youth as cannon fodder in World War III.

Youngbloods, you face your greatest challenge today! It is life and death for all our brothers and sisters. The Revolutionary Youth League, under the leadership of the CWP will show youth what the choices are and win them to the side of communism. Organized youth can deal blow after blow to the bourgeoisie and their rotten system like they have already done at Brooklyn College, and Berkeley High and prepare for the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will make sure that no more Jasons and Dawns have to die trying to get out of this capitalist hell.

Under the dictatorship of the proletariat it will be youth's responsibility to carry on the struggle to remold the world and people's outlooks to achieve communism where social wealth will be distributed by the principle of "from each according to his ability, to each according to his needs."

Mao once told Chinese students, "The world is yours, as well as ours, but in the last analysis, it is yours. You young people, full of vigour and vitality, are in the bloom of life, like the sun at eight or nine in the morning. Our hope is placed on you." Youth represent the future of any society. The fact that hundreds of youth like Jason and Dawn die everyday is one sure sign that capitalism has no future. Youth must seize the time, join the Revolutionary Youth League and prepare for the dictatorship of the proletariat. □

"THE WORLD BELONGS TO YOU!"