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The raging fires of Levittown and Miami spoke for the whole American people: we will not let the capitalists and their politicians carry out their death sentence on us and our children. People cannot and will not live in this capitalist hell any longer.

The capitalists and their politicians have created a crisis making the 30s Great Depression look like a picnic. And there is no way out this time. Auto, steel and the construction industry are gasping their last breath. Like Detroit and Youngstown, once proud working cities, America is turning into a vast death valley. The whole economy grinds to a halt.

WHAT WILL YOU DO
AND WHICH SIDE ARE YOU ON?

FIGHT FOR ^{THE} DICTATORSHIP ^{OF} THE WORKING CLASS

STUDY MARXIST PHILOSOPHY

PENETRATE THE APPEARANCE TO GRASP THE ESSENCE

Today the world is in great disorder. The danger of another world war is growing daily. The deepest and most extensive economic and political crisis in the history of the United States is altering every American's life, forcing them to take sides on every issue and to become involved in politics. The ruling monopoly capitalist class has already had five members of the Communist Workers Party murdered and is desperately trying to impose fascism to contain the rising resistance of the U.S. people.

In this rapidly changing situation where decades are packed into a year, it is extremely important for communists and workers to not just look at the appearance of things, but to penetrate to grasp the essence of what's happening and where people are really at, by applying the science of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Zedong Thought and implementing the Party's line and tasks.

Public opinion is very fluid today, and the majority of Americans are still absorbing the brunt of the crisis. But they are frustrated and angry and feel more uncertain about their future and their children's future than ever before. Any spark can set off rebellions like in Miami. It is crucial in this period for communists and revolutionary-minded people to give leadership to this new energy and direct it against the real enemy—the bourgeoisie.

Otherwise, as Lenin said, "... if you do not find a Social-Democratic (Communist) channel, they will rush into a non-Social-Democratic channel." One example of this is the thousands of people in California who voted for KKK dog Metzger. They overwhelmingly rejected the Democratic and Republican parties but chose the Klan for lack of any clear alternative. That's why we have to do communist propaganda to the masses every minute of our waking hours. We have to run the Party's line to the fullest extent everywhere we go and win the majority of Americans over to seeing socialist revolution as the only solution.

If we only look at the appearance of things, we may think that life seems to be going on routinely as before for most of our neighbors and fellow workers. If you really think that way, then you are being fooled by the appearance and not grasp the essence—that today the U.S. people are disgusted with capitalism and all its lying politicians, that they can't live in the old way any longer, and that the bourgeoisie can't rule in the old way either. A most excellent, yet dangerous opportunity is around the corner—a spontaneous revolutionary situation is approaching.

All Things Are the Unity of The Two Opposing Aspects of Appearance and Essence
Chairman Mao said, "When we look at a thing, we must examine its essence and treat its appearance merely as an usher at the threshold, and once we cross the threshold, we must grasp the essence of the thing; this is the only reliable and scientific method of analysis." (A Single Spark Can Start A Prairie Fire)

Objective things all have their two aspects of appearance and essence. Appearance is the different aspects of things—their external manifestations—the aspects that can be seen or touched. Essence is the whole body of a thing—its internal relations—which can't be seen or touched and which hides behind appearance. Appearance is ever changing while essence is more stable. Like a tree, green with leaves in the spring, turning yellow, orange, and red in the fall, and all brown again in the winter. The essence of any object must show itself through a certain appearance, and any appearance expresses the essence of a thing from a certain angle.

Therefore for us to know the essence of a thing, figure out its ins and outs, we must penetrate its appearance.

Everything in society has its two aspects of appearance and essence. Big dairy capitalists pour tons of milk into the ocean because they are afraid that too much milk on the market would drive down the price. So behind the appearance of dumping milk into the ocean is concealed the essence that the purpose of capitalist production is to make money.

Today millions of workers are laid off and unemployed and many factories lay idle—this is just the appearance. The essence is that the monopoly capitalists own these factories and all other means of production and rake in high profits. Workers produce more than they can buy back (because the capitalists pay slave wages), and when the products start to pile up in warehouses, the capitalists lay off workers to cut costs so they can continue to make profits.

Thus, precisely because all things are the unity of the opposing appearance and essence, essence is concealed behind appearance. Therefore in order to know a thing, we need the scientific method of analysis of penetrating the appearance to see the essence.

A Real Image Directly Expresses The Essence But It Is Not The Essence Itself

Some people say that the essence of a thing is not necessarily expressed through its appearance. When a policeman shoots a 15-year old Afro-American boy for stealing a ham, they say it is clear and simple. The question of the essence expressing itself through appearance just didn't exist in this case. We say that this murder is only a real image. We have to treat this fact as an usher into the threshold and go deeper into it. Behind the murder, we can see the life-and-death struggle between the working class, all oppressed and the capitalist class. The capitalist class uses its state (the police, courts, prisons, national guard) to oppress and exploit the people, and keep them down.

Just like the five members of the Communist Workers Party, Jim Waller, Sandy Smith, Cesar Cauce, Bill Sampson, and Mike Nathan, who were assassinated by the KKK/Nazis under FBI direction on November 3, 1979 in Greensboro, North Carolina. This was not just a battle between good and evil. The CWP 5 were actual leaders of the U.S. working class, and the Communist Workers Party leading the U.S. people against the bourgeoisie represents the rising trend of revolution in this country. They represent the hope for a bright socialist future. The KKK/Nazis are tools of the U.S. imperialists used to spearhead their drive to divide the working class, crush its resistance, and impose fascist rule so they can go to war to reconquer and redivide the world.

The question we must pay attention to here is not to confuse the real image of a thing and its essence. In order to grasp the essence, naturally we must first figure out the real image of a thing. But the real image is still not the essence. A real image can express the essence from certain angles, but it is not the essence itself. We must distinguish one from the other.

Our five comrades died fearlessly charging the

enemy, with bare fists and sticks against machine guns. And this saved the lives of others on November 3 in Greensboro. Their heroic, selfless actions are the real images that express their revolutionary essence. The essence behind their revolutionary actions is their profound grasp of the Party's Founding Congress line and their determination to fight for a socialist U.S.A. and the final aim of communism worldwide.

As Jerry Tung, General Secretary of the Communist Workers Party, said:

Jim, Sandy, Cesar, Bill, and Mike were motivated by the Party's Founding Congress line and the call to make sacrifices like we never knew before. And the more intensely we fight and prepare now in the next five years, the less casualties there will be in the coming decade. The sudden leap downward in the American people's standard of living, and the most inflammable political situation ever since World War II have shown the correctness of the Party's line. We must foresee the untold suffering and inevitable struggles, momentous struggles ahead which will make the struggles of the 60's look like a picnic and a rehearsal. This will affect everyone's life and 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.

We must learn from Jim, Sandy, Cesar, Bill, and Mike, not only from their courageous deeds, but more importantly from their proletarian world outlook, that defying the enemy, attacking wave upon wave is the proletarian way to prepare for the dictatorship of the proletariat—workers' rule—and defeat the bourgeoisie. We must learn from their deep grasp of the Party's line—the concrete application of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Zedong Thought to the U.S. and the world today.

Only in this way will our learning count for something, will we grasp the essence. And that's how the CWP 5 will live forever.

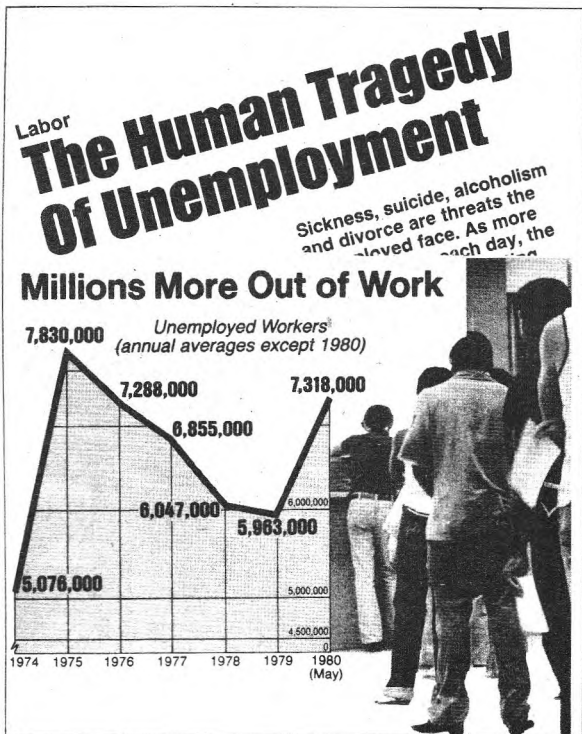
Our people, the U.S. people, have shed rivers of blood as they repeatedly rose up spontaneously throughout history. But most of our class brothers and sisters died in vain, not knowing what they lived for and even what exploited and oppressed them to the very end of their lives. For the same reason, most of them are soon forgotten. Living in itself is only physical existence.

It's the principle we live for that counts. Human beings are distinguished from animals precisely because of our consciousness. Living without principles is like living a lower form of life. Capitalism condemns most of our brothers and sisters to live as slaves, with no clarity on the purpose of their lives. Capitalism deprives them of the goal in their lives—the emancipation of the working class in order to emancipate the whole of mankind. The CWP 5 died fighting rather than live as slaves. For communists, this is the only way to live and to die. To die fighting for the working class and the noble goal of communism is the most humane and glorious way to die. Their death is merely the last physical act in their lives. It's what they lived for that remains eternal.

—Jerry Tung, Party General Secretary (WV, Nov. 12, 1979, p. 5)

The firmer we grasp the line for which they lived and remember how they fought for the Party's line, their fighting spirit in defying all odds and fearing no sacrifice, the more they will grow in our hearts. And their strength will grow millions-fold as countless others take up their cause, replacing their bodies with millions

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Joblessness, sickness, suicide, alcoholism, and divorce are only the appearance of the capitalist crisis today. The essence of the crisis is the contradiction between the private ownership of the means of production (factories, land, etc.) by a minority of monopoly capitalists and the socialized labor of the U.S. working class and oppressed peoples.



The Azanian students' wholesale rejection of the token reforms offered by the racist Botha regime raised the struggle within South Africa to a higher level.

Azanian Masses Rip South African Gov't's Dual Tactics

Reformism Will Not Work

Unlike Korea, El Salvador and other third world countries, where there is absolutely no material basis for reformism, in South Africa there is some basis for that possibility. Because of the abundance of gold and diamonds, and the worldwide demand for these precious metals, the South African bourgeoisie is economically able to buy off certain misleaders, a tactic they have been trying, particularly over the last four years. What dooms this policy of reformism, however, is the tremendously high political level of the South African masses. Their demand for majority rule—which would concretely mean the end of white domination—is the demand of the entire population, and no reform can substitute for it.

These misleaders can deliver various reforms, such as the easing of certain blatantly racist laws, but there is no way they can deliver black majority rule. As a result, these reformists are totally discredited by the African masses, to the point of being physically thrown out of the African townships, as Chief Buthelezi was after the Soweto rebellion in 1976.

South Africa's Only Alternative: More Repression

Unwilling to hand over state power to the African masses, the South African government is forced to fall back on their repressive tactics. The "shoot to kill" order given by Police Commissioner General Geldenhuys on national TV during the week of June 16 was no slip or mistake as the South African authorities later tried to make it out to be. It is the logical step in their life and death struggle with the masses. Like a cornered rat, the South African racists are forced to try to stop the resistance of the masses by the only weapon at their disposal—their armed forces.

U.S. Imperialists Have No Options

The importance of South Africa, with its strategic location and large supply of gold, which the whole capitalist financial system depends on, is grow-

ing steadily. With the economic crisis reaching new depths in the U.S., and the contention with the Soviet Union getting fiercer, the U.S. imperialists find themselves in a desperate situation in South Africa. The recent victory in Zimbabwe of Comrade Mugabe and the defeat of Muzorewa narrows the choices of the U.S. bourgeoisie. The South African masses, like their Zimbabwean neighbors, hate the U.S. for their role in southern Africa, and likewise hate all those Africans who associate with the U.S. The clarity of the African masses is the main obstacle to any settlement favorable to the U.S.; it is what blocked Muzorewa from state power and it is what now diminishes the chances of any Uncle Tom gaining power in South Africa. On the other hand, a victory of the liberation forces would take it out of the U.S.' sphere, and there is a danger of being dragged into the Soviet camp (a big U.S. worry). Left without choices and not willing to abandon the South African government, the U.S. can only hope that somehow they will turn up on the winning side.

June 16: A Giant Step Toward Liberation

The struggles of the African masses these past few weeks are surging forward. The broadness of the boycotts and the strikes that went with them have carried the whole South African movement to a higher level. The outright rejection of the reformist tactics of Botha and the South African authorities, along with the example of ZANU in neighboring Zimbabwe, clearly point the way to their inevitable victory.

The struggles of all the organizations and individuals in South Africa, from the Pan African Congress to the African National Congress to the Black Consciousness Movement are all aimed at the reactionary Botha government. But the lesson from Zimbabwe, where ZANU followed the principle of "We are our own liberators" and refused to capitulate to the Soviet revisionists, must also be grasped tightly in order to ensure full independence for the South African masses. □

ONCE again the masses of South Africa have proclaimed June 16 to be a day of warfare against the racist South African government. Led by the high school students who have been boycotting classes for over four months now, the cities of South Africa exploded last week with an anger directed straight at the whole racist system of apartheid and its imperialist backers. The fierce battles in South Africa, especially in the mixed-race townships of Elsie River near Cape-town, have shown that no matter how many reforms the Botha regime proposes, the masses of South Africa will not stop their war until complete liberation.

School Boycott Sparks Rebellion

The upsurges this past month really began last Feb. 12, when mixed-race ("coloureds") students in Hanover Park launched a school boycott to protest their inferior educational system. While white students get free, high quality education, black and mixed-race students have to pay for what the South African government tries to pass off as "schooling." Within two months the boycott had spread to over 100,000 students, with the full support of their parents, other black students, workers and even some progressive white university students. The token concessions made by the government were rejected by the politically conscious students (WV, June 16, 1980), and the explosion on the commemoration of June 16 became inevitable.

Like the Soweto rebellion of 1976—which was sparked by the introduction of Afrikaans as the official language of instruction in all schools—the rebellion over these last two weeks began with a concrete demand from the apartheid government (better schools) and immediately was raised to a call to end the entire system of apartheid. This last rebellion is a clear lesson that the dual tactics of the South African regime, reform and repression, cannot stop the movement of the South African masses for liberation.

South Africa Attempts Reformist Tactics

The Soweto rebellion of 1976, led by the Black Consciousness Movement, freaked out the South African racists and their U.S. backers. So much so that new strategies were developed to deal with the rising militancy of the South African masses. Prime Minister Vorster developed "health problems" and had to resign, to be replaced by a more "liberal" P.W. Botha. Over the next couple of years a whole list of changes were proposed: black trade unions were to be legalized, interracial marriages to be accepted, black workers were to be given equal pay with whites, etc. In short, the whole system of apartheid was to be given a cosmetic change, a facelift to make it appear that

substantial changes were taking place—more of the carrot, less of the stick.

While these reforms were being instituted, the old repressive tactics were still very much in use. Steven Biko was murdered by the South African police. Any organization with any connection to the Black Consciousness Movement was banned, and 11 Soweto youth were charged with conspiracy and rioting. And more recently, the raids of the South African armed forces into SWAPO camps expose the true fascist nature of the illegal-settler state.

At the same time the South African authorities tried to promote a whole strata of Uncle Tom misleaders, like Chief Gatsha Buthelezi. He tried to convince the South African masses that the solution to their oppression was to trust their oppressors and to appreciate the "gains" that Botha was instituting.

The U.S. bourgeoisie, meanwhile, applauded the tactics of the South African government to beautify apartheid. The lessons of Mozambique, Iran and Zimbabwe—that repression leads to resistance, and resistance to liberation—have not been lost on U.S. imperialism. The more fascist the government, the quicker the masses will look to armed revolution as the solution. The bourgeois media played up every reform that Botha proposed, and even after the latest rebellion the New York Times stated: "Peaceful change may be difficult to accomplish... but the mounting death toll... is a reminder of how terrible the alternative is." (New York Times, June 20, 1980). The solution of the U.S. bourgeoisie is that blacks share power with the whites, while of course they maintain their billions of investments.

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80'S BRINGS OSHA'S DEATH-ONLY SOCIALISM VALUES WORKERS LIVES

EVERYDAY you hear about a chemical worker who is overcome by poisonous gas on the job, or a metal worker losing a hand to a hydraulic press or a miner who has to be dug out of a shaft after being crushed during a cave-in. Every year, 115,000 workers die from some deadly form of occupational disease or they are crushed, electrocuted, burned or gassed to death in an industrial accident. (1978 statistics) According to government surveys, 5½ million U.S. workers are injured on the job or afflicted with occupational diseases (like black lung, lead poisoning, etc.) every year, but the actual figure is admitted to be way above 10 million out of around 90 million workers.

For the 10 years since the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) came into being under pressure from union workers, and resisted by industry, many workers have looked to OSHA to offer them some measure of protection from the hazards they encounter in their daily work. OSHA is a government agency set up in 1970. It was supposed to: 1) get workers to file complaints about unsafe working conditions

with OSHA. After OSHA inspectors visited the worksite, some complaints would be accepted, some settled with the company, and some went to court. 2) Set health standards although there are no means to enforce them. OSHA also doesn't protect you if you refuse to work in unsafe conditions, even life-endangering ones. The government budget has always allocated millions less to OSHA, which is supposed to protect the lives of this country's productive backbone, the workers, than to fish and wildlife protection. It has been estimated that it would take OSHA's 3,000 inspectors 25 years to just visit every workplace in the country.

But even this skeleton is too much for the capitalists. Early this year a group of senators (headed by Senator Richard Schweiker of Pa.) sponsored a bill to exempt nine out of ten companies from OSHA inspections. Called the "OSHA Improvement Act of 1980," Senate Bill 2153 would exempt companies who reported low accident rates. In these companies, workers could not bring in OSHA if the employer says no inspection is necessary. This would gut the already

lightweight OSHA into nothingness.

Why Bourgeoisie Has To Get Rid Of OSHA in 80's

Why does the bourgeoisie have to try to get rid of OSHA in the 80's?

Along with environmental protection standards, the government is watering down and trying to eliminate health and safety regulations to try to lure investment in basic industries. Although 1970, when OSHA was established, was in the midst of the 5th postwar economic crisis, today's 7th postwar economic crisis is deeper than ever before. Even the smallest crumbs are taken back in the monopoly capitalists' desperation to keep the economy from collapsing altogether. When the steel industry is running at 61% capacity, predicted to drop to 50% by summertime, it is a sign the capitalists desperately need reinvestment to revive the dying basic industries. But suffering from their own parasitism, the monopoly capitalists would rather avoid long-term industrial investment and put their money in the fast buck—gold, real estate, currency speculation. While steelworkers risk injury and death working in crumbling mills, see OSHA disappear, and get laid off in a decaying industry which is no longer competitive, their bosses are investing the surplus value squeezed from steel workers into the money market, for fast return, low risk, high profits.

Many smaller companies are also saying that complying with health and safety regulations would bankrupt them. Many small businesses are going bankrupt in the economic crisis of the 80's, but getting rid of health and safety regulations will not stop this. The source is capitalism itself. In today's crisis, because of the intensified competition among the capitalists, not only small businesses but some of the largest corporations (like Chrysler, Ford) are threatening to go under.

So getting rid of OSHA is the capitalists' attempt to cure their own parasitism, part of the very nature of the capitalist system.

Bourgeoisie Forcing Workers to Pay For Crisis, Resistance Rising

With the rising struggles of the third and second worlds, the U.S. monopoly capitalists can no longer export its crisis and inflation abroad. Unlike before, they must shift the full brunt of the crisis onto workers and poor people here in the U.S. And with no new machines being built, and less and less maintenance being done, already ancient machinery and mills are going to be even more certain deathtraps. Getting rid of even the skeleton of OSHA is one step necessary for the bourgeoisie to force the U.S. workers to pay for the crisis.

Trying to shift the crisis onto the workers' backs is bound to meet with greater resistance from the workers. To cool down this resistance, the capitalists try to influence workers to turn inward, seeking "individual solutions." So a recent bourgeois report claims the main cause of black lung is because coal miners smoke too much. And one shipyard in San Diego recently proposed its own "safety program" which puts the weight on the individual worker to shape up his own work practices and stop endangering his own life.

What is the solution for workers' health and safety? A coalition of trade unions printed full page newspaper ads on June 15 asking people to oppose Senate Bill 2153 and for the improve-

ment of OSHA. The historical struggles of coal miners for health and safety are model examples of workers saying "garbage" to the bourgeoisie's individual solutions, and breaking out beyond trade unionist legislation and lobbying. The battle for black lung compensation was spurred by rank and filers, who eventually fought to kick out the old-line machine bureaucrats. In the summer of 1977 the miners wildcatted, calling for the ouster of the union president Arnold Miller, spreading their strike through roving pickets in defense of their health insurance cards—a matter of life and death for coal miners.

Even Grassroots Action Brings No Fundamental Change—Socialism Only Solution

But even the grassroots fight, taking action directly against deadly working conditions like the miners, cannot fundamentally change mounting health and safety dangers. That's because under capitalism the aim of industry is profit for the few monopoly capitalists, and the only source of this profit is the workers' labor. The only way for capitalist industry to survive is to create more ways of exploiting the workers more—through laying off some workers and speeding up the rest, through various intensive labor systems (like time-study), and through worsening labor conditions. And in the 80's, as the bourgeoisie's investment in basic productive industries continues to decline, there will be more and more injuries and deaths in the deteriorating plants. On top of this, the visible appearance of industrial diseases will be phenomenal. Like the working class communities such as Love Canal, 20-30 years of breathing and working with chemical poisons, carcinogens, etc. unprotected are bearing the bloody fruit of workers' deaths, deformities and crippling for life. This is one example how dying monopoly capitalism pushed the contradiction between proletariat and bourgeoisie to its ultimate, rather than resolving it peacefully. This contradiction which is at the root of the worsening safety conditions in industry, can only be resolved by the violent overthrow of the monopoly capitalist class, replaced by workers' rule.

A socialist country develops industry for the welfare of the working people. It is entirely different from capitalist industry where the aim is profit and the workers are only tools for realizing that aim. In China under socialism, some of the most advanced methods in the world for reattaching severed limbs were developed through serving the injured workers from the socialist standpoint, that human beings are the most valuable resource. In 1968 during the Proletarian Cultural Revolution under Chairman Mao, hospital workers criticized the revisionist line promoted by Liu Shao-chi of emphasizing treatment rather than prevention, and made occupational diseases one of the main targets. Doctors and technicians went to the factories to work and integrate with the workers, and learn from them. Numerous protective devices, technological improvements, and safety educational programs were created through this process.

The fight to build our Party and put an end to U.S. capitalism will require tremendous sacrifices and energy from the U.S. people. And it is the only fight that can destroy this capitalist hell and give birth to a real socialist future for the poor and working class people. □



Coal miners, like the ones above in the fight for black lung compensation, have been in the lead of U.S. workers, defying arrests and intimidation in their wildcats for health and safety. But even this militant fight cannot fundamentally change hazardous working conditions. The cause is the capitalist system and the only solution is socialism.

No Presidential Candidates Can Resurrect U.S. Economy

JULY 1980—Primaries are over and now the next step is the big time conventions and the election for the Presidency. This has been the media hype for the last 6-8 months. Newspapers, radio and television have been blaring out broadcast after broadcast to the American people, hoping to build up interest in the presidential elections. But even the *New York Times Magazine* is forced to say, the people are "Volatile Voters"; people who used to be loyal to one Party or another, don't know which one to vote for any more. People who used to rush to the polls now don't. "I'm not really in favor of any of them. I'll probably toss up a coin and not even vote. Either way I voted, I'd feel I wasn't doing the right thing..." (*New York Times Magazine*, June 15, 1980). Political exposures of the U.S. government like ABSCAM, Viet Nam, Watergate and other "gates" have brought a distrust in the government officials. People are not accepting everything candidates are saying, if they are accepting them at all.

The American people are waking up. The historic lever of the deepest economic crisis ever has begun to set people to thinking how legitimate is the U.S. government. Forced by the U.S. monopoly capitalists to bear the brunt of the crisis, people are seeing that all the U.S. government has to offer is more misery. According to *Business Week*, "The unemployment rate has soared 1.6 percentage points since March, to 7.8% in May, the largest two-month rise on record." And even the figure is underestimated. As the U.S. economy continues its nose dive downward, the American people are getting more squeezed and at the same time, getting dissatisfied and downright angry at the entire capitalist system. Under these conditions, that's why this year's Presidential election is entirely different from any previous election. Instead of generating more interest, people are turned off; not wanting to listen to the political jargon, empty promises the politicians pile on them.

These politicians represent the interest of only one class, the U.S. monopoly capitalist class. The media tries to portray them as having differences among themselves on how to run the country. They go through endless debates, stabbing each other in the back—as if they really have any substantive differences. In reality they're there for only one purpose, to suck the American people into believing that U.S. imperialism can work if they are given a chance to get into office. Though there are some differences in their proposals, here and there, they all have the same plan on how to get the bourgeoisie out of the crisis. They all agree that the only way out of the plunging economy is to "reindustrialize America." It is in this sense that there is no difference among the candidates because none of them can get the monopoly capitalists out of the crisis they are in today.

Every single one of the candidates—Carter, Kennedy, Reagan, and Anderson have been running their mouths, proposing that what the U.S. needs is to "reindustrialize"—to get production in the U.S. going again. Back in May of this year, Kennedy proposed "an American reindustrialization corporation" that would use both government and private capital to stimulate broad scale new investments in United States businesses and technology. This may be our last chance to lead the nation out of the economic wilderness and to reclaim our economic heritage." (*New York Times*, May 21, 1980) In February Carter had put out almost the exact same thing. He said,

"...we must attack the fundamental causes of inflation. That means more savings, more investment, more competition, more basic research and more technological innovation for a more productive America." (*New York Times*, February 8, 1980).

John Anderson, who tries to play up being "an independent," separate from the Republicans and Democrats, pushes this same plan too. Anderson has been saying what he wants developed is "a program that would specifically seek targeted investment incentives." (*New York Times*, May 11, 1980) And it's no wonder Anderson comes out with this since one of his firm backers is Felix Rohatyn. Rohatyn, a New York investment banker and head of New York's Municipal Assistance Corporation has become one of the leading spokesmen for the call to "reindustrialize America." His solution to the crisis is that the U.S. monopoly capitalists need "an integrated, rational economic strategy to face the future. At present the various aspects of such a strategy are approached piecemeal or ignored."

But can the candidates follow through with what they're proposing? Today, the auto and steel industries are basically dead. Light electronic industries almost don't exist anymore. The U.S. monopoly capitalists' investments today are in military related industries. Because of stepped up war preparations to contend with the Soviet Union, some manufacturing industries such as machine tools and chemical are flourishing to a certain extent. And through their investments, they are guaranteed a quick return. No monies are risked or lost. But the products produced are waste. They have no real use and are used for destruction in wars. To reindustrialize the U.S. would mean that these investments would have to be pulled out and put into productive industries that could get the economy back on its feet, bring down inflation, create jobs, etc. In order for the U.S. monopoly capitalists to do that, a large amount of capital is needed first to retool the machinery. And to retool would run up to at least a half a trillion dollars. To retool the auto industry alone would cost \$87 billion. No one monopoly capitalist has that much and even if he did, the return of the profit would take years or decades. There is no guarantee that this investment would even bring him long-term profits. Given the brittleness of the system, he might even suffer a loss, and no single monopoly capitalist is willing to take that chance; to take the risk that he might be wiped out. Even if the U.S. monopoly capitalists did put the monies necessary to retool the industries, there would be nothing left to open up new industries and buy new machinery, the only way they could compete with the rising competition from the second world. So where is the money to come from? If more money is printed, that would lead to worse inflation than we're currently facing. The dollar bill wouldn't be worth the paper it's printed on. The American people would have less buying power and the economy would continue its plunge. It's a complete vicious cycle the U.S. bourgeoisie is caught in and trying to find a way out.

In order to reindustrialize and to follow Rohatyn's plan, the U.S. monopoly capitalists and their agents have to pull together a workable coalition. Only an agreement on a state monopoly capitalist plan to start the ball rolling in the major industries would get private monopoly capital to invest and get varied other sectors of the economy going.

Automotive Plant Closings

Ford		
Mahwah Assembly Plant	Mahwah, N.J.	4,500 employees
Los Angeles Assembly Plant	Pico Rivera, Calif.	1,670 employees
Windsor Casting Plant	Windsor, Ontario	965 employees
CHRYSLER		
Lyons Trim Plant	Lyons, Mich.	780 employees
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Fostoria Foundry	Fostoria, Ohio	375 employees
Eight Mile Stamping Plant	Detroit, Mich.	1,270 employees
Missouri Truck Plant	St. Louis, Mo.	2,100 employees
Windsor Engine Plant	Windsor, Ontario	460 employees

The four major automobile makers say a total of 239,050 hourly workers were indefinitely laid off and 60,000 temporarily laid off in the week of June 16. They include 155,000 at 29 General Motors plants, 90,100 at 20 Ford plants, 54,500 at 11 Chrysler plants and 10,250 at three American Motors plants.

To thousands of permanently laid off auto workers in New Jersey, the presidential candidates are saying, "We're going to reindustrialize America, believe in us." But the trend of auto plants across the country is to shut them down completely as the graph shows.

Already David Rockefeller, head of the Chase Manhattan Bank is trying to do this on a small scale. He, along with other heads of banks formed the "New York City Business Partnership" whose function is "really job creation and economic development by creating an environment that is attractive to business." Rockefeller said in the same *New York Post* article that "the business' voice until now has been scattered and disorganized." (*New York Post*, June 10, 1980). With this new coalition, Rockefeller, Arthur Taylor (head of Arthur Taylor Co., a private investment banking firm) and Virgil Conway (chairman and president of Seaman's Bank for Savings) proposes three missions for the coalition:

- 1) to set priorities for the mobilization of public and private resources
- 2) to form ad-hoc coalitions to undertake the priority project
- 3) to rally other business-sponsored civic groups to the support of the partnership

If this coalition is workable, then they will want to try to implement this on a national scale and form a similar coalition that Theodore Roosevelt did back in the early 1900's. But as we said in our theoretical journal, *The 80's*:

"The fact is, however, that Rohatyn is swimming up a waterfall. While Roosevelt is best remembered by the monopoly capitalists for pulling together such a coalition to get them through the Depression, it took him four years to start and the momentum wasn't gathered until the war; and that was with the support of the sellout 'Communist' Party, U.S.A. Today, things are a whole lot worse." (*Theoretical Journal, The 80's*, p. 18)

The contradictions within the U.S. monopoly capitalist class is far and beyond the contradictions in Roosevelt's time. The struggle has passed the point of just purely economic issues and has penetrated to the core of the political sphere. Whoever controls the reins of the government can pretty much decide where the bulk of the contracts, loans, etc. goes and which monopoly capitalist will benefit most—and who will be wiped out. The ABSCAM scandal, the Vance resignation, and the squabble over the budget and energy bills are all examples of these contradictions among the bourgeoisie over who is to gain and who would be cut down. Also this time around, the stakes are a lot higher. With the greatest vulnerability the economy and individual companies have ever seen, huge losses and huge gains can take place within a matter of days. Corporations and monopolies attempt to swallow each other up, hoping to gain monopoly at a higher level. It is a life or death struggle

for the U.S. monopoly capitalists. In the same article, we quoted the *U.S. News and World Report*, "Now I'd say we've got a much more brittle system today. There's less belief in the idea that come what may, it's the greatest system in the world. If a 1930's scale depression were to hit us, which I don't believe will happen, I think it would create more of a protest movement, radicalism and organized discontent today, probably than occurred in the 1930's... What I'm suggesting is this: today, the American system is less legitimate in the eyes of the people than it was, certainly, at the end of the 1950's. Hence, there's more need for it to work, to keep going than there was in the 1930's." (*U.S. News and World Report*, Jan. 7, 1980)

Thus, the bourgeoisie cannot implement Rohatyn's plan that is, under the present conditions of bourgeois democracy. So all that the presidential candidates have been pushing is a lot of hot air and fancy sounding phrases. The U.S. monopoly capitalists have to find another way out if this coalition cannot be implemented. They have to find a way to create new markets and new sources for natural resources. And to do this, they must, independent of their will, engage in a world war to divide the world and

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1980 Strikes-The Giant Can't Awaken Without Breaking Labor Aristocrats Stranglehold

WHAT is the significance of labor strikes in the 80's? The number of strikes alone is no barometer of the awakening of the working class. In the 60's, the number of strikes was at a relatively high level. Today, the number is actually around the lowest in the last couple of decades. But this doesn't mean the workers' political consciousness is lower today—just the opposite. Today in the deepest capitalist crisis ever, there is an unprecedented openness and searching for alternatives to dying capitalism among the working class, the class which must lead the fight for socialism.

Labor Aristocrats Call Strikes To Teach Workers They Can't Win

First, we have to differentiate between official strikes and wildcats. Wildcatting means the workers break through the stranglehold of the labor aristocrats, the union bureaucrats. But even then wildcats can be led by militant trade unionists, new bureaucrats, leading wildcats to build their own careers.

Also we have to look at how they run the strike—do they man the picket-line, shut the place down? Generally not, and that's how strikes today often demoralize the workers. Strikes called by the labor aristocrats today are often for that purpose—the bureaucrats treat the workers like dogs, give them a little bait. Even more than an unpaid layoff, they pull the workers through the strike to try to teach the workers a lesson that they can't win, so they shouldn't fight.

Many workers today feel cynical about striking. Like last year's United Auto Workers' contract, who's interested in another routine strike for 3% when the whole auto industry's dying and hundreds of thousands are getting laid off forever?

Militancy Not Enough, Giant Won't Awaken Without Breaking Through Trade Unionism

Most unions today are like empty shells. Most have the basis to be genuine fighting, democratic unions, but the labor aristocrats are holding them

back. Other unions, like the ACTWU (Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Worker's Union) and the ILGWU (International Ladies Garment Workers Union), are not even shells, having no organized steward/committeemen system through which the workers can be mobilized. Today the labor aristocrats are so hated and exposed they are losing control and the new "militants" (like in the steelworkers' union) are also losing control. We have to gel this excellent situation together with communist leadership. The awakening giant must bust open the stranglehold of the labor aristocrats. The giant cannot awaken without breaking through the bounds of trade unionism.

This was very clear in the New York City transit workers' strike earlier this year. The main significance of this strike was not that it broke out in reaction to the economic crisis, but that *no one dared to assume leadership* and say, "no, we will not go back to work" when the union bureaucrats maneuvered a sellout contract settlement. With all the militant dissidents, there was still no clear leadership capable of smashing and replacing the hacks. That's why, no matter how many strikers there are, no matter how militant in character, these things are not enough. The U.S. working class has a very militant tradition. But, due to the labor aristocrats' hold over the unions and a lack of communist leadership, this militancy can include shooting down Chinese and other minority nationality scabs—not in the interest of working class unity which the Communist Workers Party fights for, but because of chauvinism and racism. Militancy alone will go nowhere without *clear leadership* to unite all the workers against capitalism.

Self-Criticism for Article's Economist Line, Fight for CWP's Correct Line

To build up the Communist Workers Party and continue to win the majority of the U.S. people to the Party's influence we have to strengthen the communist character of our work in the trade unions, have forums every day—not just putting forward partial aspects of our communist stand, viewpoint and method, but explaining the

whole line, the only solution of socialism and the dictatorship of the proletariat. We have to build up the fighting capacity of the unions under clear leadership, developing fighting steward systems in the plants. So to say that the working class giant can awaken through strikes alone is an economist, vulgar workerism line that belittles the key question of political leadership of the workers movement. It would lead to defining the task for communists and advanced fighters as getting immersed in the trade unionist politics of strikes in themselves, rather than the CWP's comprehensive program of pushing out communist propaganda in hard-hitting ways (postering, in particular to serve notice to the politicians at the 1980 Democratic Convention, Kokomo struggle) and fighting to kick out the hacks and build communist leadership among the workers, as part of our preparation for workers' rule in the 80's.

We make a self-criticism for this incorrect, economist line in the article "1980 Strikes—The Giant is Awakening" in the last issue (June 23, 1980). This was a serious deviation from the CWP's historical line on the trade unions. It reflects the struggle outside and inside the Party to grasp tightly and understand rationally the Party's line that today giving people a comprehensive communist analysis of all aspects of their lives must be first and foremost in our work. This means that today under the conditions of rapid destabilization of capitalism, with the chickens coming home to roost for U.S. imperialism, the masses (not just the stratum of advanced but the broad majority of American people) are wide open as never before to communist leadership. Militant trade unionist line and leadership—even if they are honest—is not strong enough to shatter the labor aristocrats' stranglehold, only the CWP can do this.

The trade unionist line is an antagonistic line, and especially deadly today when we have the opportunity to make the cause of the working class prevail. We have at this moment in history the opportunity to make this, the third time in modern history the working class has the opportunity to seize state power, the last time. □

of their heads. After they dropped the inciting to riot charge because the case was so flimsy, Billie finally left, with the cops asking one last question, "Are you a member of the Communist Workers Party?"

Unemployment Offices Becoming Sites of Sharpening Struggles

It is inevitable that struggles break out more and more sharply at unemployment offices. Here workers all confront the government for their benefits which they have to battle to get. On top of this, on June 13 a Superior Court Judge in Newark ruled it is constitutional for the New Jersey Employment Service to recruit or refer workers to replace legally striking or locked-out employees. The unemployment office has historically participated with the Immigration Service in busting undocumented workers. Now they are an official strike-breaking agency. And because you cannot refuse to take a job from the Employment Service or they will cut off your benefits for good, they are trying to force unemployed workers to scab.

Whereas the union bureaucrats are abandoning the unemployed workers because they no longer represent dues revenue, with communist leadership unemployed workers can be organized to fight the capitalists in unity with the employed, and employment service office workers can be sympathetic to the fight. (They are often spontaneously seen as the enemy because they're on the front line at the offices.) When the cops said, "You're not workers, you're unemployed," it showed not only their desperate need to separate and pit unemployed workers by degrading and demoralizing them, but it also acknowledges the power of unemployed and employed united, especially in the context of the CWP on every street corner and bare wall articulating the road for workers to not only fight but to liberate themselves.

CWP's Bold Propaganda Makes Cops Fear Word "Worker"

The main significance in the incident was in the cops' freaking out. Billie said, "They were thinking about Miami, about Staten Island (where a parking ticket triggered an explosion between the community and the cops—ed.) They didn't want me to say the word 'worker'... they were conscious of the class struggle." In the setting of the 80's crisis, the deepest ever, the thing that made the world "worker" click in the cops' minds and register real fear was the CWP. The cops' freaking out is evidence of the effect of CWP's postering/spraypainting campaign and our call to serve notice to the imperialist politicians. (Yes, the unemployment office is plastered with posters too!) While the union misleaders are saying, "there is no hope," the CWP says Workers' Rule is the Solution! While other misleaders like Joe Lowery of the SCLC (Southern Christian Leadership Conference) say "hand in your guns," the CWP says "1980 is the beginning of the end for U.S. capitalism."

While he was in jail telling other people about what happened to him, a prisoner told Billie, "Newark's going to be another Miami." And it is the leadership of the CWP that will gel the spontaneous outbursts together, giving them political coherency and direction, so that they become a powerful and conscious step in the unstoppable march to workers' rule. This incident shows CWP's campaign to have forums everywhere through postering, so that everywhere you turn CWP's program is there, is a powerful blow in our preparation for the dictatorship of the proletariat. □

Unemployment Office Bust-Shaken Cops Ask "Are You A Member of CWP?"

NEWARK, N.J.— On Broad Street running through the north ward of Newark, a predominantly Latino community, sits the unemployment office. Just a place you pass by on the street for many Newark residents in the 60's and 70's, today it is becoming an all-too-familiar spot where you run into more and more of your friends week after week. This particular office has a history of repressive tactics against the workers. For the slightest little thing like coming a day late for your check, they'll penalize you a week or a month of your checks, knowing that's all you have to live on. They'll curse you out and treat workers like a herd of cattle. It is the line of the capitalists to treat you worse than at the welfare office. And it makes you more angry because you have paid for your unemployment through years and years of taxes.

One day in June, Billie, a Newark resident and a lawyer for the Legal Al-

liance for Greensboro Justice, was at the unemployment office trying to appeal for a week's check he was denied as a penalty for being late one day. He ran into a friend who was also trying to appeal an unjust penalty. The benefits administrator screamed and cursed at Billie's friend, telling him, "You shut up and sit down until I tell you to move." Billie quietly said to his friend, "That's fucked up, the way they treat workers here." This comment set off the administrator to scream even more wildly, calling over the two cops who are always standing watch on the workers in the office. Billie said, "They're creating a disturbance, not me." As the workers, many of whom were friends of Billie, watched, the two cops took Billie into a side room and handcuffed him, saying he was arrested for creating a disturbance.

Then, wanting to humiliate Billie, the cops made him walk handcuffed back

through the office. Instead, for all the workers to hear, Billie raised his handcuffed arms and said, "This is what happens to workers in this place when they dare to protest." The cops freaked out, saying, "You're not workers, you're unemployed. Now you're arrested for inciting to riot." Billie reported later, "The cops were really freaking out. I was sure they were going to beat me up in the squad car, but they didn't. I think this was because all the workers saw me, and because of my legal background."

At the precinct station, the first question the cops asked Billie was, "Are you a member of the Communist Workers Party?" They did not even know his affiliation with the Legal Alliance for Greensboro Justice, but with all the CWP posters and spray-painted slogans all over Newark, and not able to forget how CWP supporters shattered Kennedy's facade with an egg in February, they can't get CWP out

Just One Cop Is Not Enough, We Have To Kill The Whole System

THE young brother pictured below is named Bruce Lorrick. Don't be deceived by the solemn expression on his face, because he is happier now, than he has ever been before. On June 19, 1980, while a New York pig was trying to rough him up for just standing in front of a subway station, Bruce took the pig's gun and blew his brains out.

Bruce was arrested soon after he shot the pig, and when he got the news that the pig died, he was in jail. After he heard that, he was almost dancing with joy. "I got a cop! I got a cop!" he shouted to his cellmates as he celebrated getting even with the cops that made him suffer throughout his life. The *Daily News* reported that that was the only moment he showed some kind of emotion during the whole day.

The capitalists think that Bruce is sick. But we know why Bruce did it. All his life he has suffered national oppression. He dropped out of the school system at 16. He tried to escape his oppression with drugs. After he left school his life was one fight with the cops after another. He was busted several times. Countless police murders taught Bruce that when you're dealing with the cops it's kill or be killed. That's why he killed the cop first. He would rather die while doing that, then get killed lying down. This is the temperament of the U.S. people in the 80's. People can no longer live in the old way and are willing to die fighting for a better chance. That's what Bruce's action represents.

What Bruce did is a spontaneous, individual response to the oppression that capitalism heaps on the entire U.S. people, especially oppressed nationalities.

And Bruce is by no means alone. There are thousands and thousands of people who just can't wait to send a few cops to the big pig sty in the sky. Last year Terrence Johnson, an Afro-American youth from Washington, D.C., and Dave Costa a young Hawaiian worker both took off tools of the U.S. government.

The Communist Workers Party treasures the raw hatred of class exploitation and national oppression that Bruce, Terrence and Dave symbolize. And you better believe that a whole lot more cops will bite the dust in the years to come. Bruce's deed testifies to the fact that the U.S. people can't live in the old way any more, and would rather fight and die than live in this capitalist hell any more. It makes us all the more confident that under correct leadership the U.S. people will tear down the system of monopoly capitalism. And brother Bruce, if the New York pigs let this paper get through to you, we want you to know that we stand with you.

But at the same time we want to make it clear that killing one pig, one tool of the monopoly capitalist alone is not enough. We have to have a revolution. A socialist revolution. The only way for the people to get justice is to overthrow the whole damn system of monopoly capitalism. Socialism is going to be pure hell for the capitalist class and we're going to love every minute of it.

To make a socialist revolution, we must be guided by the revolutionary science of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Zedong Thought, and we have to have the leadership of a Communist Party. And the Communist Workers Party is that Party. Under communist leadership the anger

of the U.S. people will be channelled into a gigantic torrent that will seal the doom of the capitalists. Without communist leadership, the revolutionary temper of the U.S. people will be left at the level of individuals and spontaneous

responses to their oppression. And that would be one of the biggest crimes of all time.

Fight on brother Bruce, Fight on! □



Bruce Lorrick on his way to jail after killing a N.Y. pig. He jumped up in joy after he heard that the pig died.

Join The Revolutionary Youth League Fight For Workers Rule



THE REVOLUTIONARY YOUTH LEAGUE is a multinational (black, Latin, Asian, white) organization fighting in the interest of youth and all oppressed people.

Pressed with permanent unemployment, worthless education, military draft and police brutality, youth are taught to take up these struggles and link it to the root cause of all oppression—the capitalist system. RYL organizes youth for revolutionary struggle to overthrow this criminal system, where a few bloodsuckers, like the Rockefellers and the Morgans, live fat off the sweat, blood and lives of hundreds of millions of oppressed people.

The League is part of a strategically invincible army under the leadership of the Communist Workers Party (CWP). The CWP is the headquarters for the class war between the working class and the capitalist class. Under the consistent and correct leadership of the Party, the RYL trains youth through activity such as postering, selling the *Workers Viewpoint* newspaper, martial arts, political education and social activities.

By studying the science of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Zedong Thought and applying it in our day to day struggles and activities, youth are trained to make changes in this society. The science is our guide to action. It contains the blood lessons and experiences of millions of working class and oppressed people, summed up as general revolutionary principles by the revolutionary leaders, Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin and Mao.

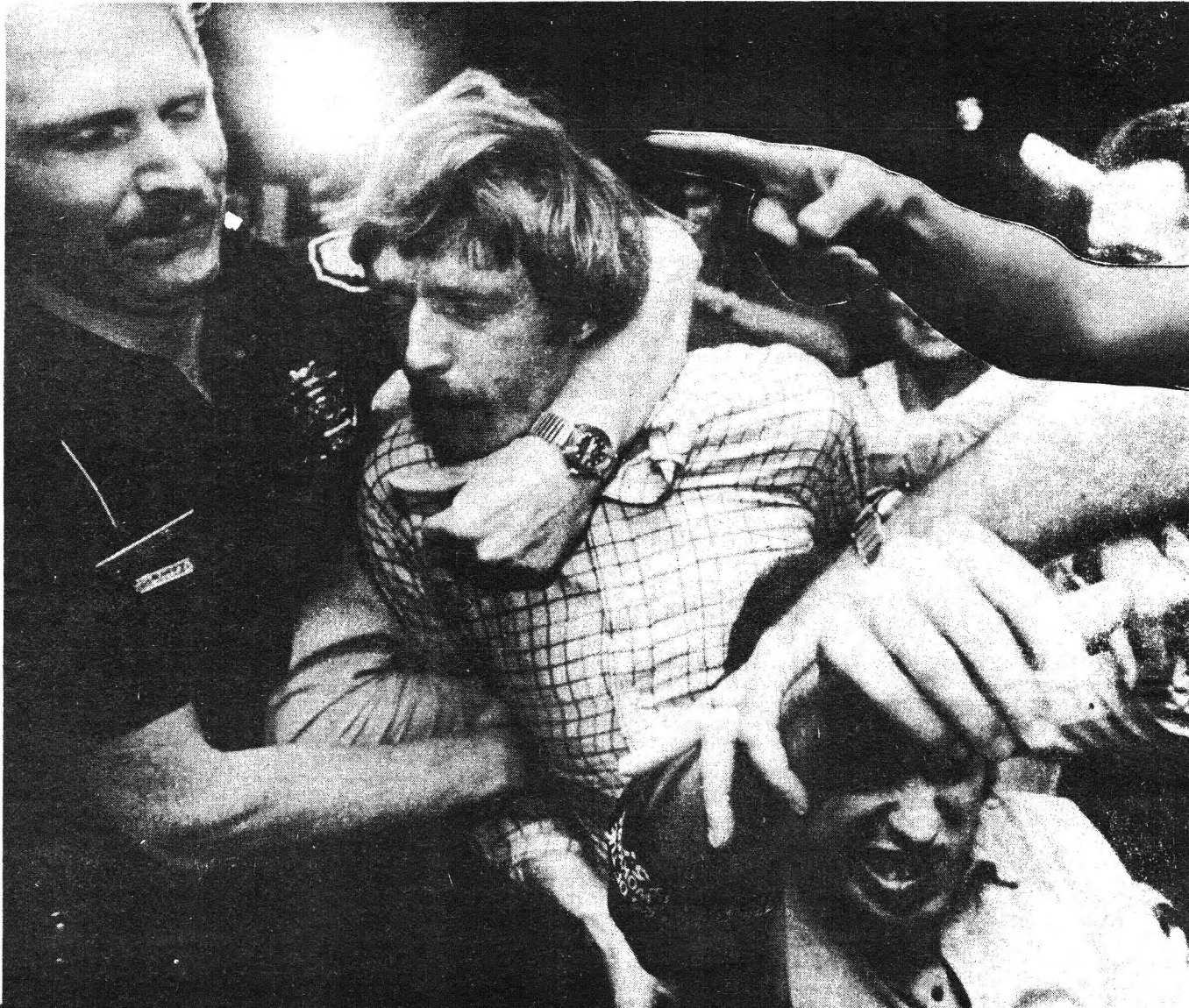
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CWP Rejects Sham Capitalist Judicial System



Sally Bermanzohn, wife of Paul indicts the pig for choking Tom Clark who was defending Paul from attack by the pigs.



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The bourgeoisie is desperate. They are caught in an economic crisis deeper than the 30's depression, and their only way out is world war. But after Viet Nam, the American people are against world war. More and more as Miami showed, people are rising up rather than live in this hell hole. To go to war the bourgeoisie must try to crush the resistance of the people against the stepped up attacks—hundreds of thousands laid off in auto, steel, construction, 20 to 50% inflation as war preparations step up, cut offs in day care, food stamps and other social services. The bourgeoisie must impose fascism—get rid of the working class leadership like the CWP 5, push fascist groups like the Klan and Nazis to divide working people, centralize and strengthen the CIA and FBI, and railroad the Greensboro 6. There is more at stake than six people being convicted for a total of 30 years. If the real killers walk free while the six rot in jail, it makes it that much easier for the capitalists to attack, murder and crush oppressed people's resistance all over this country. The courts, FBI, police, the monopoly capitalist class, the whole capitalist system must be exposed.

This is the kind of tell it like it is, no-holds barred propaganda the American people want to hear because it ties together and puts into perspective everything they've experienced, especially in the last few years, and when they hear it they want to commit more to helping. We've already seen this in practice including buying raffle tickets. So when comrades have not sold raffle tickets, it's because they haven't run the line on the political significance of the CWP 5 for the 80's. It's a right line on propaganda

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The bourgeoisie is desperate. They are caught in an economic crisis deeper than the 30's depression, and their only way out is world war. But after Viet Nam, the American people are against world war. More and more as Miami showed, people are rising up rather than live in this hell hole. To go to war the bourgeoisie must try to crush the resistance of the people against the stepped up attacks—hundreds of thousands laid off in auto, steel, construction, 20 to 50% inflation as war preparations step up, cut offs in day care, food stamps and other social services. The bourgeoisie must impose fascism—get rid of the working class leadership like the CWP 5, push fascist groups like the Klan and Nazis to divide working people, centralize and strengthen the CIA and FBI, and railroad the Greensboro 6. There is more at stake than six people being convicted for a total of 30 years. If the real killers walk free while the six rot in jail, it makes it that much easier for the capitalists to attack, murder and crush oppressed people's resistance all over this country. The courts, FBI, police, the monopoly capitalist class, the whole capitalist system must be exposed.

This is the kind of tell it like it is, no-holds barred propaganda the American people want to hear because it ties together and puts into perspective everything they've experienced, especially in the last few years, and when they hear it they want to commit more to helping. We've already seen this in practice including buying raffle tickets. So when comrades have not sold raffle tickets, it's because they haven't run the line on the political significance of the CWP 5 for the 80's. It's a right line on propaganda

period.

Doing Good Propaganda Results in Sales

There are some very positive examples of supporters of the CWP and the Greensboro Justice Fund who've successfully integrated selling raffle tickets with their daily activities. And most important, they've done good propaganda. Everywhere they go and whenever they talk to friends and their family they talk about the CWP 5, the Greensboro 6 the 1980's and the Communist Workers Party and sell raffle tickets. One supporter sold 30 tickets in just one night on the job. Another sold 27 books. She pushed the tickets in her classes, to relatives and

friends, always carrying tickets, remembering to push them along with pushing out propaganda to hundreds of politically open people. These efforts have just begun to tap the broad sectors of American people who want to contribute to the struggle.

These comrades are not only helping to raise money for the Greensboro Justice Fund, but they're also doing a great service to the American people. They've opened people's eyes to the truth behind the assassination of the CWP 5, the frame-up of the Greensboro 6 and pointed out clearly the choice before the American people in the 80's. It's a service which people will never forget. □

The American people demand to know the truth behind the murder of the CWP 5 and the frameup of the Greensboro 6, as the cover story of the *Village Voice* (above) reflects. Run the Party's line and sell them a book of raffle tickets and they'll always remember us.

Video Verities
The Machine That Ate My Family
By Judy Oppenheimer
The woman on the screen has the face of a person not from this world. She smiles, laughs, grimaces, shifts, and smokes. Constantly. Now and then she pauses to bite a piece of skin from a cigarette.
She makes me want to (Continued on page 24)

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Ambush
An Inquiry into the Holy War in Greensboro
By Blanche McCrary Boyd
November 3, 1979, 11:20 a.m. Greensboro, North Carolina. A column of eight or nine vehicles containing about 40 Ku Klux Klan members and American Nazis pulled slowly past a group of demonstrators gathered at Everett and Carver Streets in Morningstar Homes, a predominantly black housing project. The Communist Workers Party's "Death to the Klan" rally is scheduled to begin at noon. No police are present, claiming confusion about the parade's starting point. Four television stations and the Greensboro Daily News are not confused, so videotapes and professional eyewitnesses record the scene. The morning is clear, blue, and vigorous. A group of uniformed communist children chant around an effigy of a Klansman. Some 25 communists and communist sympathizers hand out leaflets and talk with community people. The crowd numbers about 100. Spirits are high, even combative. As the cars creep down Everett Street, chants (Continued on page 13)

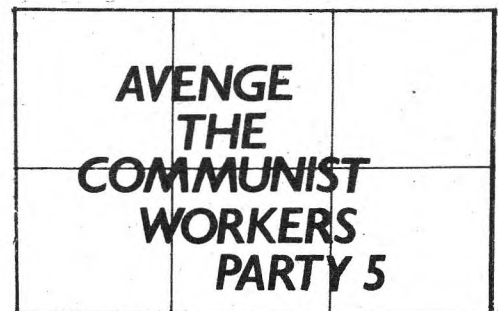
PROFESSIONALIZE IN POSTERING AND SPRAYPAINTING



front of the unemployment office in New Jersey, CWP posters stand out for weeks, making up the pigs.

Comrades from Detroit sent us the following suggestions to improve our postering and spraypainting campaign. We appreciate such initiative and want to encourage other comrades to cut angles to spread the Party's line so that it will reach every American—ed.

1. Please design a 6-part poster that when put up will make one poster. Most places you can put up 6 posters and it is really eye catching. Like a billboard. More effective than a long line of 10 or 15 posters, I think.



2. We are cutting stencils out of heavy posterboard and plastic to use for spraypainting or with a paint roller. It looks neat, easily readable, conveys organization, and is faster. We're using it on freeways and walls. We made a small one that we spray on the sidewalk where there is heavy foot traffic. It is real noticeable and quick and easy to do. You look like you're just tying your shoe as you slip it out of the portfolio, lay and spray. Less than one minute for the total operation.

7 MONTHS TO PICK A NAME Infighting Stalls Rockefeller's N.Y.C. Monopoly Coalition

NEW YORK, N.Y.—Finally, David Rockefeller formally unveiled his coalition of monopoly capitalists who aspire to pull New York City out of the muck and mire of its advanced stages of decay and parasitism. Rockefeller has been in heavy labor over the past seven months trying to give birth to this coalition.

Bourgeoisie Stuck—None Will Cut His Throat to Save Others

The significance of the coalition lies in the broader national economic scene, which teeters on the brink of collapse, and in the pipedreams of all the bourgeoisie to set the economy on a firmer footing. The U.S. economy is crumbling, its productive industries like steel and auto decayed and stagnant. Massive layoffs are causing the U.S. people to question the entire capitalist system, and threatens the bourgeoisie's rule. They must try to get the economy going but the monopoly capitalists are afraid to put their money into long-term investment necessary to revive these industries, preferring instead to speculate in gold, silver or even wine. Long-term investments means taking a chance that an industry like auto may not even be around in 20 or 30 years, not to mention the potential profits stripped by skyrocketing inflation.

No single monopoly capitalist can put up the huge amounts of capital necessary to revive any single stagnant industry (for example, the auto industry needs \$85 billion to retool). To get that kind of money, the bourgeoisie must get together and pool their resources. But the different monopoly capitalists are deadlocked over the question of who to help, which industry first. Every industry, from steel to railroads to banking is in deep trouble. Inevitably, such a plan to revive some productive industry will mean saving some monopoly capitalists, while many others go under.

Under the battle cry of "Reindustrialize America," *Business Week* ominously warned its readers, "Change or Die"—meaning, either unite to invest in the stagnating industries or suffer the consequences of collapse and revolution or to being a second rate imperialist. Yet no bourgeoisie is willing to cut his own throat to save another.

Building this national coalition is what Rockefeller has in mind with this more realizable, smaller scale coalition in New York City. Rockefeller admits that until now business' voice has been "scattered and disorganized." There are 19 different business organizations in New York City. Rockefeller, chairman of two of these organizations, the city's Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development Council, is using both of these organizations' resources to build this coalition. In the hopes of being able to persuade other monopolies to join the coalition, thus uniting them on a broader scale than anyone has been able to do yet, he has pulled together an array of big finance and monopoly capitalists.

Coalition Unable to Agree On Priorities

Christened the "New York City Business Partnership," Rockefeller (who quit his job at Chase Manhattan Bank in order to focus on the coalition) is the chairman. Arthur Taylor, head of Arthur Taylor & Co., a private investment banking firm and former head of CBS, is its president. Other prime movers behind the coalition are Walter Wriston of Citi-

bank, William Ellinghaus of AT&T, and the head of American Airlines. The American Airlines chief and Ellinghaus are both members of MAC (the Municipal Assistance Corporation—a formation of finance capitalists who, along with the Emergency Financial Control Board—virtually rule New York City).

The coalition has three missions:

- 1) To set priorities for the mobilization of public and private resources,
- 2) To form ad-hoc coalitions to undertake priorities,
- 3) To rally other business sponsored civic groups to support the partnership."

For priorities, Rockefeller has had his eyes on Westway, a city-wide plan for building a highway, new housing complexes and shopping centers worth \$1.5 billion and thus try to revive the city's

The bourgeoisie would rather speculate on the gold futures market (above) than risk long-term investments in productive industries like auto or steel given the depth of the economic crisis today.



crumbling construction industry. Yet the coalition still can't agree on what to pump money into. Admitting that the group hasn't been able to make a decision yet, Rockefeller gave the excuse that the group is still young and "We're trying to avoid spreading ourselves too thin."

After half a year, these monopoly capitalists still cannot come to any agreement on how they will invest their capital to "reindustrialize" New York City—which is a statement on the enormous difficulty the bourgeoisie faces in pulling together a coalition on a national scale. □

No Presidential Candidates...

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hope to gain hegemony. And before they could do that, they must use force to whip the U.S. people in line—which means fascism at home. This is their other way out—world war and fascism at home for the American people. That is what they are making preparations for at this very moment.

But the American people will not tolerate another war, not since they have been exposed to the Viet Nam War and the credibility of the U.S. government is constantly breaking down. What the American people are looking for today is answers—an answer to what's going to get the U.S. out of the economic crisis and an answer to what lies ahead in the future?

The only kind of future the U.S. monopoly capitalists can offer to the American people is more suffering. Even if the bourgeoisie can resolve their contradictions and implement the reindustrialization plan, the American people would still be subjected to cruel exploitation and hardships at every corner. The only way for the reindustrialization plan to really work is under socialism. In a socialist society, the profits would go to the benefit of the majority of the people to create more industries and provide a

decent living for the people. Resources would be centralized and planned and there would be no problem with overproduction. There would be no exploitation of the majority by a handful of bloodsucking capitalists. This is the kind of future the Communist Workers Party is offering to the people.

But in order to push towards that future, the U.S. monopoly capitalist class and the state political power they hold must be smashed! Without smashing their political power, the genuine demands of the people cannot be realized. We cannot allow the U.S. monopoly capitalists to make a comeback, to try to regroup so that they can inflict more pain onto the American people. The American people have been bound to their chains too long and now is the time to rise up and prepare for the dictatorship of the proletariat—workers' rule in the 80's.

For us to accomplish that, the people must see that there is an alternative to the presidential candidates and the whole rotten system they represent, that both the Democratic and Republican parties are parties of war and fascism. The only alternative is the Party of the working class—CWP and socialism. That is the task that is ahead of us—to raise communist agitation and propaganda to the

masses, to explain to them point by point who and what the U.S. monopoly capitalists and sweet talking politicians represent, and to show them the road forward. One of the ways to do this is through our poster campaign to rally people behind our cause and what we stand for. Through that we rally them to come to the August Democratic Convention in New York City. This will be the only time in four years that the representatives of the bourgeoisie will be gathered together. This will be one of the few chances that we can publicly put them on notice. To tell them that the American people are fed up with their lies and cover ups. We're going to tell them we will not give them a moment's peace until their wretched rule is toppled and the masses in the U.S. are freed. At the Democratic Convention we will "Serve notice to the politicians and fight for workers' rule"—that is the slogan we take with us. And we urge everyone to join our ranks. No longer do the American people have to choose which candidate is better than the other, or which will do what he says. History has taught the masses bitter lessons, that no politician can be trusted. No longer do the masses have to suffer needlessly under capitalism because there is a solution—that is socialist revolution and the dictatorship of the proletariat. □



Who are the candidates trying to fool? Certainly not the masses in Liberty City, Miami, as they pelted Carter's caravan when Carter went to offer "aid" back on June 9, and certainly not the millions more Americans living in the U.S. who are daily seeing through the lies of politicians.

European Common Market Forced To Admit PLO - Key To Any Mideast Talks

APPEARING to break with the U.S. Camp David treaty, the nine countries of the European Common Market declared at their recent meeting in Venice "the recognition of the legitimate rights of Palestine people" and demanded that the Palestine Liberation Organization be represented in any negotiating process. Instead of tongue-lashing the second world countries, U.S. Secretary of State Muskie greeted this declaration by inviting the PLO to the Camp David talks if it renounces its commitment to overthrow Israel. "The ball is in the PLO's court," Muskie said. In essence, the U.S. has no disagreement with the Common Market resolution.

Recognition of the PLO In the U.S. Imperialists' Long-Term Interest

U.S. imperialism is loosing its grip on the Middle East. The Camp David treaty was rejected by all the countries in the Middle East. With the Camp David treaty dead, U.S. imperialism knows that it must move towards recognizing the PLO. The longer the U.S. holds off recognizing the PLO, the more it allows Soviet imperialist influence to grow in the region. Already, the Soviet Union has set up puppet governments in Ethiopia and South Yemen, with military bases in both countries. To stem this growing Soviet imperialist influence in the militarily strategic Middle East, as well as placate the Arab countries to safeguard the continued supply of oil, the U.S. imperialists' long-term interest is in recognizing the PLO. At the last plenary meeting of the Trilateral Commission (made up of monopoly capitalists from the U.S., Europe and Japan and headed by David Rockefeller, with members including Jimmy Carter, National Security Advisor Brezinski, Secretary of Defense Brown and former Secretary of State Vance), a U.S. official stated, "... there is no way to resolve the other problems of the Middle East unless we solve the Palestinian issue first. It is the heart of the problems of that region. Its continuance is a destabilizing radicalizing factor in the entire area... Obviously, what is necessary is to broaden the framework of the Camp David accords. Camp David is a bilateral agreement between Israel and Egypt, but it is helpless in providing a framework for dealing with the problem of the West Bank and Gaza Strip because it is an agreement with the wrong parties. Unless the only acceptable spokesman for the Palestinians is brought into the

dialogue, there is no possibility of progress." It was with the U.S. interest in mind that former UN Ambassador Young met with the PLO representative last year.

U.S. Imperialist Hands Tied By Zionist Frenzy

But the frenzied bombings of Palestinian mayors, the establishment of settlements in the West Bank, etc. by Israel have jammed the U.S. After these attacks, no Arab country will touch the Camp David talks with a ten foot pole. Even Sadat of Egypt had to take a step back and call off the talks. When King Hussein of Jordan met with Carter this past week, he refused to have anything to do with the talks despite all the pressure and material incentives that Carter and other Congressmen offered. With no credibility left in the Middle East, and unable to push forward by themselves, the U.S. turned to Western Europe to help them out of the mess.

As the U.S. official stated in the Trilateral Commission plenary, "In its dealings with the Middle East, the U.S. is subject to very special constraints which are built into the pattern of American politics and prevent us in many ways from acting as a free agent in these matters. It makes it all the more imperative for Western Europe and Japan to start taking initiatives towards a solution of the fundamental issues in the Middle East... If the nations of Western Europe—through the European Community, for instance—were to undertake to bring about a realistic facing up to the Palestinian issue, nothing could be more important in the end to the stability of the area and the security of all of us." It was in this context that the Common Market passed their recent resolution.

PLO Refuse To Be Fooled

After thirty years of armed struggle to regain their homeland, the Palestinian people refused to be fooled by these maneuverings. Yasir Arafat, head of the PLO, called the resolution "a piece of bone that they could throw to us and keep us busy." The PLO criticized the resolution by saying, "The European position came short of our expectations because the European countries are still on the American line and still on the line of Camp David. This position will not be a contribution to a just and lasting peace in the Middle East." Supported by the people and countries of the world, the PLO have rejected this resolution and continue to push forward on the diplo-

matic and military fronts for the establishment of a genuine Palestinian state. As Yasir Arafat said, "I tell them the Palestinian people is in no need of a poli-

tical statement or initiative to determine its destiny. The destiny of the Palestinian people is determined by the gun of the Palestinian revolutionary." □



Palestinian students took over the Egyptian embassy in Iran earlier this year to protest the Camp David treaty. Supported by countries like Iran, the PLO have the initiative in the Middle East and rejected the European Common Market resolution.

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.

GRASP THE ESSENCE

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of communist revolutionary successors.

This, to correctly know the appearance and essence of things, to get clear that the real image is the expression of essence and not essence itself, is not purely a theoretical need. It is also most significant for guiding our struggles and practice.

A False Image Is A Distorted Expression Of The Essence

Real images reflect the essence of a thing directly and realistically from a certain angle. It is one form of expression of the essence. A false image is also a form of expression of an object's essence—except it is a distorted expression. A false image gives people an impression that is completely opposite to the essence of a thing. On first examination, it looks completely unrelated. But actually it is exactly a demand of the essence, an expression of it.

For example, a clever thief steals and then turns around and cries, "A thief has stolen some money, catch that thief!" The thief appears to be honestly asking for justice to be done. This is exactly the false image the thief wants to create so others' suspicions won't turn to him. This thief creates a false image which is completely contrary to his identity. Yet it is exactly the reflection of his essence, the demand of his essence.

The U.S. monopoly capitalist class uses many false images to cover up its bloodsucking essence. They tell

italism once again—this is the essence of the Soviet revisionist clique. It necessarily expresses itself through the appearance of the Soviet workers and peasants once again becoming exploited and oppressed.

To sum it up, any object is the unity of opposites of appearance and essence. There is no essence removed from appearance, and no appearance which does not reflect essence. Essence, through the appearance (including false image), is expressed straightforwardly or distortedly. And precisely because appearance and essence are thus related, for us to know the world, we must penetrate appearance to see the essence.

Chairman Mao said, "... what is perceived cannot at once be comprehended and that only what is comprehended can be more deeply perceived. Perception only solves the problem of phenomena, theory alone can solve the problem of essence." ("On Practice") Not to penetrate an object's appearance, we cannot know its essence; and only by grasping an object's essence can we deeply understand its appearance.

Penetrating The Appearance To See The Essence Must Go Through A Process

According to the theory of knowledge, penetrating the appearance to grasp the essence is a necessary process to know the objective world. The objective world is knowable, this must be affirmed. But to know a thing,

original features of the natural world. For example, the earth revolves around the sun. But from earth, it appears that the sun is revolving around the earth. This is a false image, so it increases the difficulties for us to know objective things.

Then there are some things, which, although we are using them in practice, doesn't mean we already know their essence and are clear on their internal relations. What is an X-ray? Why do we call it that? That's because at the time nobody can clearly say what this kind of light is exactly—whether particle or waves. X is an unknown factor and symbolizes people's not knowing it at the time.

During the 1950's and 1960's when the U.S. was the top imperialist power in the world, this was a period of stabilization for the capitalist system. The essence of capitalism, cruel exploitation of the broad masses, was hidden from the majority of Americans. Now, during this permanent crisis, a period of capitalist destabilization, its essence is more and more becoming exposed to the people. This is the third time since the birth of imperialism around 1900 when a spontaneous revolutionary situation is developing. It is only when we do all-rounded communist propaganda to the majority of Americans can they begin to penetrate to see the essence of capitalism, and know that the only solution is to destroy this evil system, and establish revolutionary socialism—workers' rule.

What we're saying above is that objective things have a process of self-exposure. So for us to penetrate the appearance to grasp the essence obviously also needs a process. However certain things already exist and are already exposed. So why is it that we often still don't recognize them and commit the error of only looking at the appearance and not the essence? To get clarity on this question epistemologically (of how to gain knowledge) is of great significance for raising our ideological level and strengthening our ability to distinguish true from false.

Chairman Mao said many years ago, in criticizing the epistemological source of pessimistic views inside the Party,

"When our comrades working in the Red Army are defeated in battle or encircled or pursued by strong enemy forces, they often unwittingly generalize and exaggerate their momentary, specific, and limited situation, as though the situation in China and the world as a whole gave no cause for optimism and the prospects of victory for the revolution were remote. The reason they seize on the appearance and brush aside the essence in their observation of things is that they have not made a scientific analysis of the essence of the overall situation." ("A Single Spark Can Start A Prairie Fire")

In this case, although Chairman Mao was aiming directly at the rightist views inside the Party, at the same time he also deeply pointed out the epistemological source (method of obtaining knowledge) for only looking at appearance and not seeing the essence. There are two points we must pay special attention to. One is "to generalize and exaggerate the momentary, specific, and limited situation," and the other is "to not make a scientific analysis of the essence of the overall situation."

Why is it so easy to just look at appearance and not see the essence? The epistemological root lies here. To avoid this error, we must, in the process of knowing the objective world, first get clarity on the whole picture in the midst of struggle and practice. We must know all aspects of the appearance and not grab at certain one-sided situations and generalize and expand from there. Even when we are clear on the whole situation, when we grasp it, that is merely the usher into the threshold. To truly grasp the essence of things, we must also "scientifically analyze it." Only by doing our work in this serious manner can we continue to raise our ability to penetrate the appearance to see the essence.

Recently, candidate Kennedy spoke in front of 2,500 students at a college campus in San Diego. After he spoke, the students applauded. Supporters of the CWP were there, but did not disrupt and denounce Kennedy because they thought he had the support of the 2,500 students. Comrades did not see that due to bourgeois respectability, being taught to be "nice" and "polite," people are often in awe of "big shots," like politicians, especially when they make grand entrances with flashbulbs popping and followed by a crowd of ass-kissing career-seekers dressed in three piece suits and party dresses. We have to distinguish between these conditioned responses, and the real sentiments of the

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Although there are no soup lines, shanty towns, and Hoovervilles like in the 1930's, today's permanent economic crisis is much deeper and more extensive than the Great Depression. The majority of American people are awakening, looking for a way out. We have to do all-rounded communist propaganda at all times and everywhere we go to direct this new energy towards socialist revolution.

our youth that the restoration of the draft is necessary to protect freedom in this country. The essence of this is the bourgeoisie preparing for world war and trying to impose fascism at home. They tell us that the OPEC countries are causing gasoline and heating oil prices to skyrocket. The essence of this is that Exxon made the highest profits of any corporation in the whole country this past year and that the U.S. imperialists have been ripping off oil from these countries for decades, and installing fascist puppets like the Shah of Iran to maintain their interests there.

All the politicians today hail how democratic our system is, that the American people can elect their own candidates into office. Meanwhile they'll be spending over \$300 million on police security for the Democratic National Convention in August in New York City to try to restrict the freedom of speech and freedom of assembly of the Communist Workers Party and friends. The essence of bourgeois democracy is the rule by force of the capitalist class over the working class. When we penetrate this false image to see the essence, then we understand why the proletariat led by the Party has to completely smash the capitalist state by violence and establish the dictatorship of the proletariat over the bourgeoisie.

The Soviet Union, the other imperialist superpower, also uses false images to cover up its aggressive nature. It has the extra false image of socialism, so its deceptiveness is even greater. It invades other countries like Afghanistan under the guise of aiding the people's liberation struggles. The Soviet ruling class has restored cap-

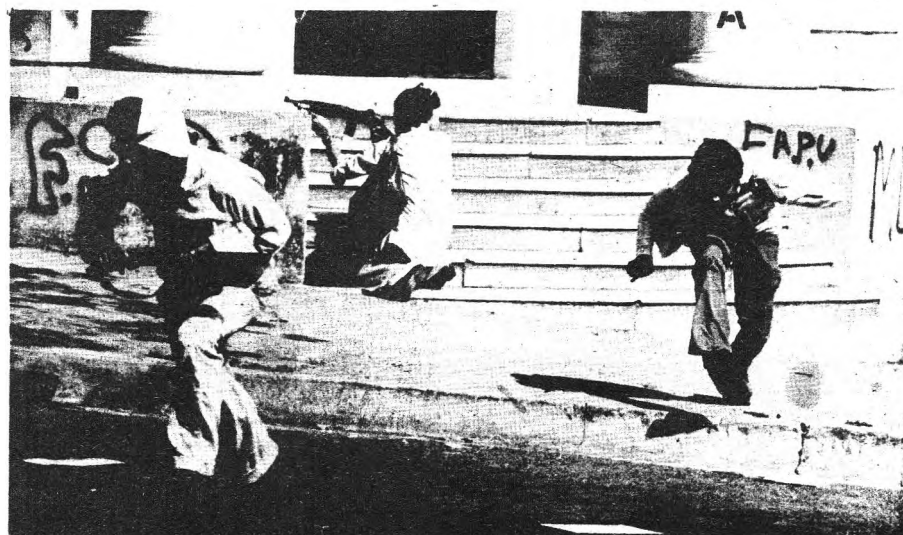
especially a relatively complicated matter, to penetrate its various appearances to clearly see its essence always requires a process, be it long or short. It is impossible without a process. Why? Because people are often limited by scientific and technological conditions; also the objective matter itself must go through a process of coming into being, developing and exposing. So for us to reflect it, know it, from seeing its appearance to grasping its essence inevitably needs a process.

Marx's *Capital* was written after capitalism had been in existence for almost 200 years. Lenin's *Imperialism, the Highest Stage of Capitalism* was written after capitalism had completed the transition to imperialism. Just as Chairman Mao said,

"In feudal society it was impossible to know the laws of capitalist society in advance because capitalism had not yet emerged, the relevant practice was lacking. Marxism could be the product only of capitalist society. Marx, in the era of laissez-faire capitalism, could not concretely know certain laws peculiar to the era of imperialism beforehand, because imperialism, the last stage of capitalism, had not yet emerged and the relevant practice was lacking; only Lenin and Stalin could undertake this task." ("On Practice")

Human understanding of the natural world is also like this. The boundless development of the material world is very complicated and full of twists and turns. Very often many false images appear, distorting the

Salvadorean Liberation Groups Move Towards Unified Command



With a new unified command for the united front, the Salvadorean liberation groups are ready to overthrow the U.S. backed Christian Democratic government through armed struggle. But unless the movement is clear on the need for self-reliance, it could kick out U.S. imperialism only to be dominated by Soviet social imperialism.

RESTAURANT WORKER WRITES ABOUT UNDOCUMENTED WORKERS The Unspoken Tyranny

THE following article was written by a restaurant worker and "amateur journalist." Through his job, he has become very familiar with the cruel plight of one of the least known and most exploited sectors of the U.S. working class. In his well written article, he sheds light on another of the capitalist system's tyrannies.

The article also shows the tremendous artistic and literary talents which exist among the people. We encourage more letters and contributions like this because we want to develop this untapped resource. In this way, a genuine people's art and journalism can take root in the U.S. We invite all to write. We will strive to print as many of them in the WV as possible, even if we may not completely agree with everything they say.

June 5, 1980

Dear Sirs:

I am an amateur journalist, forced to support a family as a restaurant worker. I thought you might be able to use the enclosed article for your paper: *Workers Viewpoint*.

I would much desire to aid your party cause in a journalistic capacity.

Sincerely,
J.P.

Beyond the pleasant facade of New York's restaurant dining rooms, labors one of the most oppressed group of workers in our society. Each day, literally thousands of these itinerant and undocumented workers, are hired and fired by belligerent owners who deny them even the pretense of any instrument to protect their constitutional rights.

Many of these workers labor consecutive 12 and 14 hour shifts, with absolutely no designated rest periods, often leading to crippling injuries and many of them, illegal aliens, are hired for just a single day's work and then turned back onto the streets.

When hired, they receive absolutely no training period and are then expected to assume responsibility for operating dangerous kitchen equipment.

I cite an example of a waiter in one of these restaurants who, receiving a serious gash on the head from a protruding rack of glass at the bar, and because he was unable to continue serving customers was fired on the spot. An investigation of the premises later showed the establishment provided absolutely no First Aid.

The majority of these workers receive well-below the minimum wage under the pretext that either their meals are provided free or that they receive gratuities in the form of tips. But not

THE liberation groups in El Salvador, after forming a united front called the Revolutionary Coordinating Council of the Political-Military Organizations (CPM) last December, are close to agreement on a new unified command to plan out the armed struggle against the ruling Christian Democratic military junta. The CPM, made up of the People's Liberation Forces—Farabundo Marti (FPL), the National Resistance (RN), the Salvadorean Communist Party and the Revolutionary Salvadorean Party, is to coordinate the activities of the different liberation armies.

Ruling Junta Unleashes Fascist Terror

This is welcome news to the people of El Salvador. The ruling Christian Democratic junta, abandoning their fake land reforms and bank nationalizations, have unleashed a wave of fascist terror against the people. Close to 120 people are murdered each week by the U.S. trained National Guards, police and fascist goon squads established by the government. On June 14, these blood-thirsty goons murdered an Italian priest while he was giving mass. This was the second priest to be murdered this year and the seventh since 1977. Archbishop Romero, a strong critic of the government, was assassinated earlier this year while he was conducting a funeral mass.

These acts have angered the people and polarized the country against the regime. A coalition, called the Revolutionary Democratic Front was formed from the trade unions, student organizations, doctors, small businesses to oppose the government. The Revolutionary Democratic Front have recognized the CPM as the political vanguard of the Salvadorean revolution. Recently, the Social Christian Movement, which was part of the ruling government, switched

only do they often not even have the time to consume a meal but what they do eat is scraps and leftovers deemed unworthy of serving the customers. It is also a little-known fact that a waiter's tips can be confiscated for a customer's inability to pay a check. The waiter also labors unprotected against unscreened customers and his physical person is subject to their abuses. The cashier, also, sits unguarded from the public and, to add injury to insult, not only is deprived any security system for his protection, is also required to pay any discrepancies in the cash register from his own pocket-book.

sides and joined the Front. The Front has organized a world tour to rally support and aid for their revolution, to expose the U.S. military intervention in their country and to counter the lies and distortions of the U.S. controlled press. The Front has already visited Mexico, Costa Rica and Panama, while other delegations are travelling to Europe and Latin America. After summing up the results of these trips, they would start a tour of the U.S. and Canada.

Salvadorean People Must Be Their Own Liberators

The Soviet imperialists, through Cuba, have offered to train and supply the liberation fighters with arms. Fighting to free themselves from the chains of U.S. imperialism, the Salvadorean people have the right to get aid wherever they can. But they must be clear that real independence and liberation can only be won by the Salvadorean people themselves. For example, Cuba and Viet Nam, after their heroic struggle in kicking out U.S. imperialism, are now dominated by the Soviet Union because they didn't fight for self-reliance. Cuba's economy now is no different than 20 years ago when it was dominated by the U.S. The single cash crop sugar economy still exists. Without the \$8 million of aid a day from the Soviet Union, the Cuban economy would collapse. Tied to the Soviet Union, Cuban people are forced to send their sons and daughters to die fighting for Soviet imperialist plunder in Angola, Ethiopia and Yemen. Only by relying on the Salvadorean people in the main to fight U.S. imperialism and outside aid secondarily, can the liberation fighters make sure that they don't kick out one imperialist superpower only to allow the other superpower, the Soviet Union, to sneak in. □

Health inspectors are routinely paid off to conceal clogged vents, rusting pipes, collapsing ceilings, and rat infestations, and asbestos insulations.

And, of course, the final twist of the knife: Once released, these itinerants do not even qualify for unemployment benefits, (and, needless to say, when injured, they do not qualify for Workman's Compensation either).

And so I have described but a few of the tyrannical practices of the Restaurant Industry. And the grandest irony of all, the very customers these people serve are aware of nothing more than the tinkle of a high ball glass. □

Bourgeoisie Blames Immigrant Workers For Capitalism's Crimes

WHEN you get laid off, who are you going to blame? Are you going to blame the recent influx of 113,000 Cuban refugees for taking away your job? Are you going to blame the four million undocumented workers in the U.S.? This is what the capitalists want you to do. When you stand sweating on the unemployment line this summer or pound the streets looking fruitlessly for a job, they want you to curse those "damn foreigners." However, did you lose your job to an immigrant? Not very likely. Immigrants, especially undocumented workers, are forced to take certain jobs which the capitalists have long reserved for them. These are jobs as restaurant workers, garment workers, domestics and/or seasonal farmworkers where there is generally no union, no benefits, no protection of any kind and where pay falls even lower than the minimum wage. These are jobs most American workers would normally refuse to take.

However, using immigrants as scapegoats is not an accident. Everytime there is economic crisis, the bourgeoisie whips up racist and anti-alien hysteria like the anti-Chinese labor movement one hundred years ago. Today, this chauvinist trash is promoted through groups such as the Ku Klux Klan. The bourgeoisie even uses the

Cuban refugees to explain why Afro-Americans revolted in Miami.

In the past, the bourgeoisie whipped up anti-Iran chauvinism to divert the people's anger over soaring gas prices away from themselves. This year when everyone knows that the seething discontent in America's ghettos will explode anytime, they set up the issue of immigrant workers to divert the people's anger.

The U.S. bourgeoisie have historically pitted immigrant workers, and whoever else is ground down, desperate just to survive, against other workers. They deliberately deny a portion of immigrant workers any democratic rights. This becomes their convenient pool of workers to use as scabs and strikebreakers.

Caught in the economic crisis deeper than the 30's Depression, the bourgeoisie will frantically step up scapegoating of immigrant workers and viciously pit them against other workers—whipping up chauvinism and racism against immigrants on the one hand and using them as strikebreakers on the other hand. All in order to divide the U.S. working class and bring on fascism and world war.

The Communist Workers Party will fight to punish all scabs no matter what nationality they are because we stand for working class unity. In that same interest—class unity—we fight chauvinism and racism which the bourgeoisie uses to poison class brothers against class brother. And we uphold that the unions must actively organize immigrant workers (documented and undocumented) to forge this unity. It is because the trade union misleaders refuse to fight for immigrant workers' democratic rights and to exclude them from unions that they create the conditions for these workers to become scabs.

But what used to be a trump card for the bourgeoisie to divide and weaken the working class can be turned around with the leadership of the CWP to the fight for workers' rule. □

SINDONA: Bourgeoisie's Fall Guy For Capitalist Banking Crisis

THE bourgeoisie recently made Michele Sindona the fall guy for the 1977 Franklin National Bank failure. Sindona was the bank's top executive when it collapsed during the 1973-75 recession (the largest bank failure in U.S. history). Sindona was sentenced to 25 years in prison and fined \$207,000.

Bourgeoisie Blames Sindona To Cover Up Crisis of Whole System

Sindona was no angel. Among his no doubt countless other crimes, he was officially convicted of using the banks to build up his own financial position and



The bourgeoisie is freaking out over the economic crisis of the 80's. Paul Volcker, head of the Federal Reserve sits helplessly, praying and hoping that the crisis would just go away.

of fixing the books in the bank's foreign exchange portfolio to show a profit instead of a loss. But the only difference between what Sindona did and the practice of other finance capitalists is that Sindona wasn't as slick and got caught. The bourgeoisie is blaming the Franklin's collapse on individual corruption to cover up the real causes that lie deep within the capitalist system itself.

The Franklin National fell in 1974 as the country was in the grip of the recession. Because the masses couldn't afford to buy what they needed, many corporations suffered big drops in profits, causing them to default on paying off bank loans. For example, airlines lost \$52 million in profits and owed banks a total of \$14 billion in loans. The inability of certain industries like airlines to pay their debts ripped through the rest of the economy.

Why the Franklin National Collapsed

The Franklin National, like other banks, had overextended its loans to major corporations and individual investors. In 1974, the largest commercial banks loaned out 82% of their deposits, and the Franklin National's percentage was even higher. This meant that for every \$100 deposited, \$82 was loaned out. If any major corporation failed to pay back on time the banks would be in a very vulnerable position, where the least run of depositors would quickly pull the bank under. The policy of over-

extending loans was started by Arthur Roth during the 60's and early 70's when the economy was in relatively better shape and banks stretched their assets to the maximum in order to make the most profits. This was way before Sindona took over, and the recession just caught him doing the "right" thing at the wrong time.

"Half the country's 15,000 banks might disappear in the next decade"

The overextension of loans created liquidity problems for the banks. Liquidity is the amount of money the bank keeps on hand or can get hold of quickly in order to pay depositors who take their money out. The more money a bank lends out, the less liquid it is. By 1974 liquidity was under 14% compared to 54% liquidity in 1950. For the Franklin National, on some days it had to borrow as much as \$1 billion in from the Federal government just to get through the day's business. By April 1974, the bank was running a deficit of \$3 million a month. At that point, other bourgeoisie like the Morgan Guaranty and Bank of America refused to lend the Franklin their reserve funds since they saw the situation was hopeless and were afraid to risk propping up the Franklin with more money. Losses in securities speculation and the foreign money markets also aggravated the Franklin's problem.

The Franklin National wasn't the only bank which collapsed during the recession. The San Diego National Bank also went, along with 300 other banks. Even the top three banks in the country,

Bank of America, Citibank and Chase Manhattan, were in trouble.

Banks Today In Bigger Danger Than Ever Before

But the bourgeoisie's attempt at making Sindona the fall guy for the whole capitalist banking crisis won't get over. Banks today are in greater danger than any time before.

Last October, it was disclosed by the Comptroller's office that 250 banks could fail in the near future and destroy the entire system. More recently, Barry Sullivan, an executive vice president of the Chase Manhattan Banks said that more than half the country's 15,000 banks might disappear in the next decade. The problems can be seen in First Pennsylvania Bank's recent near-miss with bankruptcy.

First Pennsylvania Threatened By It's "Normal" Operation

First Pennsylvania Bank almost went under about two months ago because it was caught with large sums of low yield long-term loans financed by high interest short-term borrowings as a result of skyrocketing inflation. It saw losses amounting to 6.4 million in the first three months of 1980. First Pennsylvania wasn't threatened because a major corporation couldn't pay back its loans or because a stock market crashed. What threatened the bank was its "normal" operation.

Banks like Chase Manhattan and Citibank and many others are in the same shoes. That's why *Fortune* magazine warned recently that more than half of the nation's 15,000 banks will collapse in the next 10 years if this continues. According to *Business Week*, the banking system today "is far less able to withstand a recession than it was in 1974..." Today, the bourgeoisie are freaking out, and pinning the blame on Sindona won't help them one bit. □

GRASP THE ESSENCE

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Anti-Klan march in Greensboro on Feb. 2, 1980. The essence of the heroic deeds of the CWP 5 on Nov. 3 was their deep grasp of the Party's line. The firmer we grasp this essence and learn from it, the sooner we can destroy the system that murdered them.

American people. Deep down, because of all the years of being tricked and swindled by politicians, the U.S. people hate these liars. So when the CWP and its friends serve notice to them, tell the truth and expose their dying system, we are speaking for the vast majority of Americans. "Distinguishing between appearance and essence is the philosophical basis for us to do vanguard actions."—Jerry Tung, Party General Secretary.

Today, bourgeois respectability and anti-communism are only the conditioned responses of Americans. They are actually superficial, temporary, and unreal. We must not be fooled by this bourgeois realism, which focuses on the seeming appearances, spontaneous feelings and emotions, and never gets beyond this to the deeper essence behind events and people's responses. Bourgeois realism is the realism of the bourgeoisie, not realism of the broad masses. Given that the class interest of the bourgeoisie is to lie and deceive the broad masses in order to maintain their rule, this kind of realism couldn't be real. Communists would fall for it too if we do not analyse our narrow experience with the science of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Zedong Thought.

To Penetrate The Appearance To See The Essence, We Must Have The Political Telescope and Microscope of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Zedong Thought

Chairman Mao said, "The naked eye is not enough, we must have the aid of the telescope and the microscope. The Marxist method is our telescope and microscope in political and military matters." ("Problems of Strategy in China's Revolutionary War")

To penetrate the appearance to see the essence, naturally we must first get to know the objective things through struggle and practice, and have a firm hold of sufficient material for us to carry out scientific analysis. But especially important is still to do our homework in how to penetrate. To truly penetrate appearance to see the essence, to carry "discarding the dross and selecting the essence, eliminating the false and retaining the true, proceeding from the one to the other and from the outside to the inside" ("On Practice") to a large amount of phenomena, the key lies in grasping Marxism-Leninism-Mao Zedong Thought.

Today there are some people who think that imperialism is still strong, and that revolution is far away because the American people won't be ready for a long

time. They think there has to be a big crash like in the 30's Depression and that the masses have to be starving before they'll be willing to fight for revolution.

Thus, they don't see the excellent opportunity today and the urgent need for us to do communist propaganda all the time and everywhere we go. This is empiricism because these people are not using the science of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Zedong Thought to penetrate the appearance to see the essence. (We suggest that these people read and study Marxist political economy, particularly *The 80's Premier Issue Theoretical Journal of the Communist Workers Party*: "The 80's Economic Crisis Will Make the 30's Great Depression Look Like A Picnic")

Study is absolutely necessary, but by itself also insufficient to penetrate the appearance to see the essence. Only by revolutionary practice through carrying out the Party's tasks, theoretical, political, and organizational, and implementing the Party's organizational principle of democratic centralism can we grasp more tightly the Party's line.

If you want to know a certain thing or a certain class of things directly, you must personally participate in the practical struggle to change reality, to change that thing or class of things, for only thus can you come into contact with them as phenomena; only through personal participation in the practical struggle to change reality can you uncover the essence of that thing or class of things and comprehend them. ("On Practice")

The principle of penetrating the appearance to see the essence tells us that all objective things are knowable. Furthermore this knowledge continues to be deepened, without limit. The knowledge of man toward things, phenomena, proceeds from appearance to essence, from a not-too-deep essence to a deep essence. This goes through an unlimited process. □

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Looking For A Target, Disoriented Workers Strike At Those Nearest Them

An emotional Leroy Justine who found out that his wife, influenced by an occultist, burned their baby in the oven. But the tragedy did not stop there. The same system that drove his wife to burn his baby also drove him to beat up his 8-year old son.

IF you are going through some hellified changes in your life these days, then you are not alone. If you feel a constant lump in your throat, a feeling of helplessness and impatience that you cannot define, a numbness that distorts your emotions, a sense of rage at the life that you are leading, then you are sitting on top of the same powder keg that millions of other Americans, young and old, black and white, working class and even the petty bourgeoisie are sitting on. Some have likened it to the effects that the Fall of the Roman Empire had on people. We call it how the decay of American capitalism is affecting us, or more specifically how this present economic crisis, the deepest ever in American history, is weighing down on each of our lives.

Father Takes It out On Son

40-year old Leroy Justine was sitting on the powder keg. Few can forget the picture of him, crying and begging to know why his young wife burned to death their 20-month old baby in an oven last January. The tears and the anger and the confusion ate away at Justine.

The tears and the anger didn't end last January with the arrest of his wife and the burial of his son. They just accumulated. Nothing in Justine's life amounted to anything to him. His whole damn life seemed fruitless. With all of the police questioning, investigations, court appointments, money problems, and family problems Justine didn't have peace of mind—for Justine it was all rage and hurt.

Today Leroy Justine sits in jail charged with assault, unlawful imprisonment and possession of a weapon. Justine kicked back for the torment he has been forced to live through and for the destruction of his family. But when he kicked back, with a baseball bat and a spear gun, he struck the closest thing to him, his 8-year old son.

Jobless & Divorced, Robert Carlin Lashes Out At An Old Man

36-year old Robert Carlin was sitting on the same powder keg. Recently divorced and unemployed, Carlin sat on the IRT train, which sat on the powder keg. Too many people packed into an outdated subway train is what caused 89-

year old Pierre See's trembling hands to brush Carlin with a newspaper.

Carlin beat See so fast and so badly that the other passengers just looked on in awe. Carlin had been to jail before. What did his young life hold for him? Not a damn thing!

Today Robert Carlin sits in jail charged with assault and resisting arrest. Carlin kicked back at no jobs, for all the pressures that caused his family to fall apart, for not having a skill or an education. But when he kicked back, with his feet and his fists, he struck the closest thing to him, an elderly man.

Capitalist Economic Crisis Wrenching People's Lives Apart

You don't have to be a psychiatrist to see the suffering of the masses, the rage that is accumulating. With massive unemployment, cutbacks in social service programs, crime at an all time high, inflation at 13%, capitalism is driving people to do and say things that they would never envision themselves doing. People can't live in the old way anymore.

Why are families breaking up? Why is the divorce rate so high? Why are youth ripping off people in their own communities? Why are parents beating their children? Men their wives? This is life in America in the 1980's. These things are happening because the capitalist economic crisis is wrenching apart people's lives, everything they value and hold dear. The masses of people are fed up, disgusted, yet too often they don't see any other target to hit than the people and things closest to them.

Masses Disorientation—Opportunity As Well as Danger in the 80's

The masses of American people are disoriented, confused and frustrated. Their belief in bourgeois democracy and faith in capitalism is being shattered. People sense something is wrong with the whole system, yet they don't know of any alternative. They distrust the bourgeois politicians and are cynical about capitalism, yet not sure about workers' rule mainly because they have no direct experience with it and because of the bourgeoisie's slander against it.

The U.S. people's disorientation represents both an opportunity and a danger. The bourgeoisie will use the people's confusion to viciously pit the masses against each other, old against young, black against white, men against women, and so on. By splitting workers against each other and the working class from its allies the bourgeoisie hopes to impose fascism and drive the U.S. people into World War III. At the same time the masses disorientation can be turned into a good thing. It gives us an opportunity to indict the whole capitalist system before the people. It allows the Communist Workers Party to reach out to the Leroy Justines and the Robert Carlins and tell them that there is a way out of this capitalist hell hole. That instead of striking at those nearest them, even their beloved wives and children, they should strike at the monopoly capitalist system which is the real criminal responsible for their hardship and suffering. □

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The capitalists and their politicians have created a crisis making the 30s Great Depression look like a picnic. And there is no way out this time. Auto, steel and the construction industry are gasping their last breath. Like Detroit and Youngstown, once proud working cities, America is turning into a vast death valley. The whole economy grinds to a halt.

WHAT WILL YOU DO AND WHICH SIDE ARE YOU ON?

- When inflation hits 30%, 40%, 50% and more? When food riots break out everywhere?
- When 4 out of five breadwinners are out of work and there's no way to feed your family?
- When the FBI tries to force you to turn in your neighbors and SWAT teams try to drag them away in the middle of the night?
- When Miamis and Levittowns spread like wildfire across the country? When gun battles erupt and spread between striking workers and government troops?

What will you do and which side are you on?

THE ECONOMY

Under capitalism milk is dumped in the rivers, wheat burned in the fields, auto plants shut down when all of these are needed by the American people. The capitalist only thinks of profits. When they do produce the only good jobs are in military production. Even then their profits are put back into speculation and not the things people need. In effect America has stopped production except for war, and millions are thrown out of work.

We the working people can turn this right side up. This hell will be smashed. Our solution is revolutionary socialism, where the working class rules. Then no longer will the few fatten on the sweat of the many. The rule of the working class, the dictatorship of the proletariat, will unleash the tremendous potential in the American people. Yes, it will mean a bloody and violent armed struggle to overthrow the capitalists and their agents, the politicians. But quick amputation through revolution will be far less bloody than the death and destruction we face every day under capitalism, and far, far less than the untold suffering capitalism inflicts daily.

WORLD WAR III AND A FASCIST U.S.A. OR WORLD PEACE AND A TRULY DEMOCRATIC AMERICA?

The capitalists' only way out of the crisis is to regain top-dog position in the world. And the only way to do this is to go to war against the other imperialist superpower, the Soviet Union.

To go to war, the capitalists must first succeed in

WORKERS' RULE IS THE SOLUTION

Only by the workers' dictatorship suppressing again and again the capitalists who will try to make a comeback by any means possible can the gains of workers' rule be protected and the step-by-step transition to classless society - communism - be made.

Under the workers' rule in the U.S.A., the workers become masters of all society. The workers are not only elected to ruling bodies, but participate in directly running the country, producing a democracy for workers undreamed-of under capitalism. There will be:

Jobs for All: Capitalism produces unemployment. Only the system of workers' rule - where production serves people's needs and not profits and where for the first time production can be planned - can bring jobs for all. With the factories and mines owned and controlled by the workers, labor will not be a burden, but purposeful, productive and challenging.

No National Oppression and Racism: Through the workers' government's strong and sweeping measures, national chauvinism and racism will start to die out. Undreamed-of and unlimited opportunities will be opened up for oppressed minorities, guaranteed by workers' rule. Unlike capitalism, workers' rule not only has no material and class interest in dividing the multi-national working class, but has the most crucial interest in uniting the entire working class in building a new socialist society.

manipulating and crushing the American people, who are sick and tired of wars and paying for this capitalist crisis. To keep their rule, this handful of rich must split the American people by race and nationality.

Promoted by the FBI and the big media, the KKK/Nazis and crazy religious cults are growing. These scum spread hatred to split the American people. Weak-willed and leaderless, Exxon and the filthy rich try to nurture their own Hitler. They use the KKK/Nazis - riding on scapegoat politics, mindlessness and decay - to try to usher in a fascist U.S.A., their last desperate way out.

The capitalists and their government need the KKK/Nazis because they have lost the confidence of the American people and because the government and its armed forces are in total chaos now and can no longer maintain the capitalist dictatorship over the working class.

WE CAN AND WILL DESTROY THIS CAPITALIST HELL AND SHAPE OUR OWN FUTURE!

Miami and Levittown are no different from any other city in the country. Any spark, even a parking ticket, could start a chain reaction of Miamis, until a revolutionary fire engulfing the entire country rages that the capitalists can't put out.

And the government - with all their police, troops, courts and jails - stands helpless. Like in the airline industry, driven by ruthless competition, the capitalists swallow each other up to survive. Their Congress and courts are hopelessly entangled.

They cut each other's throats over energy policy, the draft and which monopolies to save from going under.

In the face of this weak-willed and vacillating enemy, when we, the majority of U.S. people are united, we will never be defeated. We can and will win. American workers and poor must dare to assume leadership to shape our own future now!

During a nation-wide revolutionary situation, the capitalists, unable to concentrate their forces at any point, would be spread thin. In Miami alone, they had to call up the Marines, National Guard, and even the Dept. of Fisheries and Wildlife to stop the rebellion! But in a revolutionary situation, the army would disintegrate as rank and file GI's will refuse to shoot at their own mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters, friends and neighbors.

Yes, we can disintegrate the capitalist armed forces and seize state power.

WE MUST BUILD OUR OWN PARTY

The main problem is that everywhere, we are still leaderless. The trade union bureaucrats sit in their offices, finding any way to sidestep a real fight with the capitalists. They actively *disorganize* our ranks and gut our unions' fighting strength. In Miami, the people righteously kicked out Carter, Andy Young, Jesse Jackson and other misleaders sent in by the capitalists.

YOU KNOW Carter, Kennedy, Anderson and Reagan have the same face wearing different masks. YOU KNOW both Democratic and Republican parties are the parties of

war and fascism.

Today the most crucial question facing the American people is the fact that we need our own Party, to lead us in overthrowing the criminal rule of the monopoly capitalist class and to shape our own future.

SEIZE THE TIME, BUILD THE COMMUNIST WORKERS PARTY!

Our Party is here - the Communist Workers Party. Because of our growing victories in leading workers and oppressed nationalities all over the country, our Party haunts the capitalist class. Fearful of the Party's leadership and its rapidly spreading influence, our Party is being singled out for attack. Five of our leaders were murdered in Greensboro, N.C. last November by the KKK/Nazis under FBI direction. Despite being set-up and ambushed, the CWP 5 fought back against machine-gun fire with sticks and bare fists. The first revolutionary martyrs of the 80s, they sacrificed their lives and set an heroic example for us. They were Jim Waller, President of the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union Local 1113-T, and Central Committee member of the Communist Workers Party; Cesar Cauce, Mike Nathan, Bill Sampson, and Sandy Smith. Now, while the government tries to get the KKK/Nazis off the hook, six CWP members and supporters have been railroaded for "inciting to riot" after the cold-blooded murders - more justice-loving people framed for the capitalists' crimes.

The Communist Workers Party will fight to the end to destroy the criminal rule of the U.S. monopoly capitalist class and its agents.

1980 is the beginning of the end for U.S. capitalism. It is the dawn of the bright future for the working and poor people of America. The coming years will require tremendous energy and sacrifices from everyone to take advantage of the brittle nature of U.S. imperialism. We are in a good position. The American people will not tolerate another world war or fascism here at home. Join with the Communist Workers Party in leaving no stone unturned to make a socialist revolution in America a reality! We can be at the point of no return. The workers' revolution is inevitable if we develop unity in the struggle against capitalism. The great hope of America and the people of the world rests on what you will do in the coming years and especially the coming months!

To serve notice to the capitalists and their politicians that the countdown to the end of their criminal rule has begun, we are going to go to the Democratic Convention in New York City on August 11, 12 and 13 and tell them in no uncertain terms: the American people are their own bosses, not Kennedy, Carter or the Exxons. We call on you to join us!

JOIN OUR FIGHT! COME TO NEW YORK CITY! RISE UP PEOPLE LIKE THE CWP 5, WORLD WAR AND FASCISM WILL NOT SURVIVE!

The Talent and Creativity of All the People, Black and White, Will be Developed to Its Fullest Extent, With Unlimited Opportunity for All! Workers' rule will smash the chains of capitalist exploitation and cut-throat competition from kindergarten to the job market. Universal, high-quality education for all up through college will be guaranteed. Under the people's full ownership, participation and supervision, the media, culture and the arts will bring a socialist American renaissance.

No Crime and No Need for Drugs. No more need to escape through artificial highs or to turn to crime from destitution and desperation under capitalism. With jobs guaranteed, meaningful education, unlimited opportunity and the challenge of building a socialist new world, life will be rich and fulfilling.

Equality for Women. Only workers' rule can free women from household slavery and the degradation of being treated like playthings. Equal pay for equal jobs will be guaranteed, with special attention paid to particular needs of women such as universal free daycare, free maternity care and leaves and real protective legislation for women workers.

With women and men liberated from capitalism's

chains, there will be true equality and fulfilling relations. No more broken homes, divorce will go down and home life will flourish. Treasured by a society under workers' rule, both the elderly and children will be protected as they should.

Housing. No more slum housing and run-down roads. No more capitalist rent ripoffs. No more evictions and no more back-breaking mortgages. Today over half of America's construction workers are either fully or partly out of jobs. Under workers' rule, the abundance of America's resources will guarantee every family their own home.

Medical care, transportation and recreation will be free and plentiful.

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