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REVOLUTIONARY WORKERS LEAGUE, U. S.

Revolution is the Answer to Boss Oppression

For a Workers Government in the United States! The Revolutionary Workers League of the U. S. calls on the workers and oppressed masses to direct their day-to-day struggles against the exploiters with the aim of making the final struggle for power and the establishment of a workers government.

NEW DEAL PROSPERITY FOR BOSSES

Under the New Deal prosperity has been restored for the exploiters at the expense of the workers and oppressed masses. The Roosevelt government has bolstered up the declining capitalist system; has restored profits to the financiers and industrialists; and has granted a few hollow reforms to check the advance of the workers.

Under the Roosevelt government war preparations involve the largest peace-time expenditures in the history of the country. Billions in government subsidies in one form or another have been granted to the capitalists while crumbs have been thrown to the working class. The "good neighbor" imperialist policy of the New Deal has further enslaved the Philippine and oppressed peoples of Latin America, protected the exploiters' investments at home and abroad, and is laying the basis for a new imperialist expansion.

Finance capital has further consolidated and extended its power under the New Deal. Government, finance and industry have been greatly centralized and coordinated in preparation for imperialist war abroad and class war against the American workers at home.

The United States is the main driving force on a world scale for war. At the same time its favorable economic position enables it to cover its war moves with the cloak of peace and thereby blame the "cause" on the "nations making for war". The United States under the Old or New Deal cannot maintain or extend its position except by war.

POVERTY UNDER THE NEW DEAL

The workers, the small farmers and the lower middle class have paid the price for the prosperity enjoyed by the big merchants, manufacturers, industrialists and bankers. Under the New Deal real wages have declined even though money wages have increased here and there; prices have increased; and over sixteen million workers are unemployed, constituting a permanent army of unemployed testifying to the inability of the capitalists to continue at the helm of society.

Under the Roosevelt government and its class collaboration policy the workers' democratic rights to organize, strike and picket, etc. are being denied to an ever increasing extent while the forces of reaction are growing.

In order to extricate themselves from the crisis, wealth has been destroyed, farm products have been destroyed, production has been curtailed by the exploiters while poverty increases. The youth of America are condemned to a future of unemployment and charity because the capitalist system

For a Workers Government in the U. S.

The workers of the United States must organize on a class struggle basis as the first step in the fight:

For the six hour day, five day week, and no reduction in pay.

For unemployment and social insurance to be paid for by the capitalists and their government. For work relief at a thirty dollar a week minimum wage.

For economic, social and political equality for the Negro masses.

For the coordination of free education and practical vocational training for all youth; for equal pay for equal work; for independent relief for all youth, equal to the adult.

For immediate complete independence for the colonies and protectorates of the United States.

For democratic rights; for the right to organize, strike and picket.

CIVIL WAR TO END IMPERIALIST WAR

The workers must struggle for these demands today in order to better their living conditions, and in order to prepare for bigger struggles tomorrow, for the struggle for power. Partial gains through victories of the working class today cannot solve the problem of the oppressed. Only the establishment of a Workers Government in the United States and workers control of production can remedy the problems confronting the working class and the oppressed masses.

The working class must fight imperialist war

to redive the earth according to the needs of American imperialism. The Old Deal group stands for more direct methods of suppressing the working class; the New Deal group disguise their attacks on the workers and poor farmers' standards of living with fake reforms, such as section 7A of the NIRA, the soil conservation program, etc.

NEW DEAL AND THE CONSTITUTION

The constitution of the United States in its present form can no longer serve the interests of the American imperialists. The "progressive", far sighted exploiters once again will fight to amend the constitution as they have in the past to enable them to keep abreast with the march of imperialism. The constitution has never served the interest of the working class and the oppressed masses. It cannot serve the workers interests. And it cannot be amended to serve their interests. The constitution was written to serve the interests of the exploiting minority, and was dressed up with trimmings to make it look democratic to the exploited majority.

The constitution assures the exploiters HUMAN RIGHTS because it UPHOLDS THEIR PROPERTY RIGHTS. The working class needs a government and a constitution that grant the workers human rights through the SOCIAL OWNERSHIP of the means of production.

The conflict between the Supreme Court and the New Deal is a reflection of the struggle between two powerful groups of imperialists and their allies in the struggle for control of the government of the United States in order to use it to increase their profits and protect their interests. The New Deal group of imperialists who are farsighted enough to realize that the protection of their interests demands new methods have a difference with the Old Deal group of imperialists who think the old methods of subjection are still sufficient to save their system and their profits. The New Deal is a new method to restore profits, to subject the working class, and to organize national life to prepare for the war

with civil war and must work for the defeat of its "own" imperialist armies and navies in the war.

The workers must establish a Workers Government. The workers can accomplish this only by overthrowing American Imperialism, by smashing the rule of the exploiters, by establishing in its place Workers Councils.

FOR A NEW SOCIETY

The Workers Government will expropriate the expropriators, will socialize industry, will be a dictatorship against the exploiters to insure workers democracy. Under this new government the workers will carry on production for use instead of for profit, will organize production on a higher level to insure abundance for all, will eliminate poverty, unemployment and wars, will establish a workers state, cooperate with the Soviet Union, and will lay the basis for a world communist society by giving material support to the revolutionary movement throughout the rest of the world.

A Workers Government can be obtained only by the independent political action of the working class, through a party of the workers, completely independent of all other parties. This party must be an international party, a party of Marxism, a communist party.

REVOLUTIONARY WORKERS LEAGUE OF THE U. S.

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THE WORKERS VOTE

The Workers Vote is a vote against capitalism for a Workers Government conducted by the Revolutionary Workers League of the U. S. independently of the capitalist election system.

The Workers Vote is not based on the exploiters election laws. It is governed by the laws of working class interests and needs.

The capitalist laws disfranchise millions. The Workers Vote is governed by the working class law: ALL WHO WORK SHALL VOTE.

WHO CAN VOTE

All workers, poor farmers, all the oppressed in the United States, regardless of color, sex, citizenship in the United States or elsewhere, residence qualifications, etc., can vote in the Workers Vote. All who toil who are over seventeen can vote. And only those who toil. Bosses and their direct agents are barred.

The candidates of the Workers Vote stand on the platform of the overthrow of capitalism and for a Workers Government.

The Workers Vote registers the vote of workers whether they are given the vote by capitalism or are disfranchised. It exposes the fake democracy of capitalism.

The Workers Vote runs parallel to the voting system of the exploiters.

Write In Names of Workers Vote Candidates

Workers who vote in the Workers Vote should also vote in the capitalist elections, if they can, for the candidates of the Workers Vote by writing in their names on the capitalist election ballots. Where and when we are strong enough we will enter a Workers Vote ticket in the capitalist elections, too. That will be supplementary to the independent Workers Vote.

To vote for the program and candidates of the Revolutionary Workers League you sign your name to the Workers Vote list, after you have read our program and our literature.

VOTE FOR THE WORKERS TICKET THROUGH THE WORKERS VOTE!

GET YOUR FAMILY, YOUR
FRIENDS, YOUR SHOP
MATES TO SIGN THE
WORKERS VOTE LIST!

GET YOUR SHOP, MINE,
MILL OR FACTORY TO
CAST A WORKERS VOTE!

If you agree with our program then you should get a Workers Vote list and have your friends and fellow workers sign.

In conjunction with the WORKERS VOTE, the Revolutionary League asks all those who agree with our program and who sign the Workers Vote lists to vote at the polls on election day, if you are allowed to vote. Write in the names of our candidates or write to our office for a bundle of stickers for the ballots.

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