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Clinton or Perot!

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the struggles of all working people, and all oppressed people, no matter what form these struggles may take:

workers' strikes, like the Lordstown,
 Lansing, or Canadian autoworkers' strikes, the teachers' strikes;

— the struggle for a labor party based on the unions, organized by Labor Party Advocates:

— the struggle for working class and socialist candidates for president, vice-president, and other offices, organized by the working class political organization known as the Socialist Workers Party;

— the struggles for rights for women, Black people, and other oppressed; the struggles against U.S. intervention in Iraq, Bosnia ...

In the last weeks, every time workers have fought for what they need, they have made progress. Autoworkers forced the bosses to respect the contract. Teachers stopped the School Board from destroying the union and won a raise. Women stopped women-haters from shutting down and destroying abortion clinics. The popular uprising in Los Angeles forced the U.S. government to indict the police who beat Rodney King and to provide more funds for jobs for Black and Latin youth.

We also need to unify these struggles into a single struggle for a workers party, workers candidates, and a workers program to provide decent jobs, wages, working conditions, healthcare, education, and housing for all working people and their families.

This is the only road forward.

Hostility to Bush is rising. Polls say that 65% of the people oppose Bush. They are right.

But hostility to Bush shouldn't blind young and working people to the truth about Clinton. Clinton is totally owned and controlled by the same rich families who own and control Bush. If he weren't, he wouldn't get the publicity and money necessary to run a national campaign. He will implement the same anti-working

class, pro-wealthy class policies that Bush has implemented — cutting jobs, wages, social services; union-busting; running up the national debt and spending billions of workers' tax dollars on interest payments to rich bankers; war on Iraq, Bosnia, etc.

Clinton's so-called health insurance plan — requiring employers to buy health insurance for their employees or contribute to a public fund — is a plan to pour billions of dollars into the pockets of the owners of the big insurance companies. Why shouldn't we combine all insurance company that will provide cheap insurance for all? Why should a tiny group of people be allowed to grow fabulously wealthy collecting insurance premiums because people have to have health insurance, car insurance, home insurance, etc?

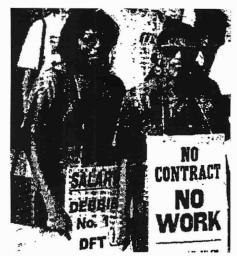
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Forward to a workers party, workers candidates, and a workers program! ■

Detroit teachers win victory!



The Detroit Teachers won a victory with their recent strike. Their four-week strike, attacked by all the newspapers and TV stations in town, forced a pay raise, stopped efforts to destroy their union and won other concessions. They won against a School Board that is a lackey of the owners of the big corporations and banks. They won through solidarity — they picketed every day. They won the support of many parents, in spite of the efforts to portray the teachers and their strike as the reason that the children were not in school.

Early in the strike, a group of Black ministers offered to "mediate" the strike. They put forward a proposal backed immediately by the School Board of a 4% raise over 2 years. The teachers refused to be intimidated by this maneuver and rejected any more "mediation" by these ministers taking the side of the School Board.

Ordered back to work by a district judge, they defied his court order, with only a few of the 10,800 teachers crossing the picket lines. By doing so, they won a 4% wage increase the first year and perhaps a 3% raise the following year. They stopped the School Board from making progress in breaking their union. They retarded the effort of the School Board to establish its two-tier system of education —a few "empowered" or elite schools, for the better-off people in Detroit, and abandoned, poverty-stricken schools for the vast majority of working people.

The teachers showed that it is possible for workers to win, but, only if they stick together; only if they maintain militant picket lines and try to win the support of the other workers in the community; only if they defy court orders, or other laws, meant to crush their actions.

The teachers are already talking about running candidates against the current school board members. The teachers need to run their own candidates for school board. This would be the best way to continue the struggle that produced the militant strike and the successes it achieved.

Lansing workers stop GM attack

The strike by 4,200 GM Assembly plant workers in Lansing, Michigan, was yet another good sign for the future. GM tried to break the UAW contract by laying off 350 workers and going to mass relief, rather than tag relief. The workers struck to save jobs. The company was forced to back down, saving face by agreeing to let the workers vote on the question this December.

This was the second strike in as many months of GM workers, and it was a modest victory. Even more than the Lordstown strike, the workers have forced the company to abide by the contract. There was also a demonstration at GM headquarters by workers from a spindle plant in Ohio against their plant closing. All these actions need to be centralized in a national strike against all the major auto, truck, bus, and agricultural implement workers to enforce the contract, stop the plant closings, stop the layoffs. ■

Labor Party Advocates Conference: December 5-6

Detroit and Cleveland Labor Party Advocates groups are holding an educational conference December 5 and 6. The topic is: After the 1993 Elections — where does labor turn now? The conference represents an important and positive step forward in the construction of a labor party in the U.S. We urge all workers, all workers organizations that support a labor party to come and to participate.

Workers can help build the conference by passing out fliers and convincing their co-workers to come. At the conference, workers can help at the LPA recruiting tables and by writing literature to convince workers to join LPA. For more information contact Russ Leone, UAW Local 600, 10550 Dix, Dearborn, MI 48120, or call 313-842-5701. ■

North American Free Trade Agreement

On August 12, the representatives of the U.S., Mexican and Canadian governments signed the North American Free Trade Agreement. The agreement must still be ratified by the U.S. Senate and similar bodies in the other two countries. We urge all workers and their organizations to join together in a fight to stop the Free Trade Agreement!

This agreement, if ratified, will place the economies of the 3 countries more directly into the hands of the owners of the biggest and richest corporations and banks and therefore, increase their ability to make profits. It will increase the domination of oppressed countries such as Mexico, by the U.S. It will lower the standard of living of all workers in all countries involved. The Free Trade Pact will accelerate the transfer of all the social wealth into the hands of the idle rich that has deepened under Reagan and Bush. The Free Trade Agreement will eliminate legal obstacles of the Canadian and Mexican governments to the domination of their industries by the U.S. In the U.S., the Free Trade Pact will provide further legal support for the destruction of the unions, removal of social legislation protecting workers, environmental laws, etc., all in the name of "equalizing" the regulations on business among the three countries. Stop the Free Trade Agreement!

Iraq

The U.S. and the U.N. have agreed to seize all the assets of the nation of Iraq and its citizens outside of Iraq — some \$1 billion. Most of these assets are in the U.S. We oppose the seizure of these assets. Hands off Iraq and its money! The big oil companies' owners want the assets to further weaken Iraq, to gain more control over the oil output of the Middle East. The U.S. claims that the assets need to be seized to "compensate" Kuwait and others for Iraq's war. Iraq volunteered to sell oil on the open market to raise the money, but the big oil companies' are against that now — it will cut into their profits.

These war moves today stem from the same source as the Gulf War — the oil corporation owners want to control all the oil in the world for themselves, for their profits. U.S. workers must take a stand against the oil company owners and their desire to crush Iraq.

Bosnia-Herzegovina

The Bush administration has just announced that it wants to institute a "no-fly" zone for Serbian jets over Bosnia. Truth opposes this military move! If Bush really wanted to save the Bosnians, he could easily stop the war and support Bosnia's claim to independence. Instead, he wants to appear as if he opposes the indiscriminate slaughter, while he supports Serbia crushing the Bosnian' struggle for independence. On the other hand, independence for Bosnia-Herzegovina is in the interests of U.S. workers, as is independence for all oppressed peoples. Everyone of these struggles clashes with the super-rich class in the U.S.

The Socialist Workers Party and Truth

Truth is urging all young people, working people, and their organizations to vote for the Socialist Workers Party candidates for president, vice-president, and other offices on November 3.

But we are not urging young and working people to join and build the Socialist Workers Party (SWP).

Why not?

Of all the tendencies that claim to be revolutionary socialist and Marxist, the SWP is the largest. It has more members and supporters working in unionized workplaces than any other.

But the SWP, which was founded over 50 years ago, is no longer making a clear and consistent fight for the revolutionary socialist program.

 The SWP supports some working class and popular struggles against the forces at the top of the society, but it is very selective.

It supports strikes sanctioned by the majority of the official union leadership. But it didn't support the campaign to recall the racist police chief Gates in LA or the campaign to recall Engler in Michigan. It doesn't support the fight for a labor party based on the unions, organized by Labor Party Advocates. The SWP's support for the popular uprising in LA was very weak.

The SWP supported the popular uprising against the privileged bureaucracy in Moscow, August, 1991. But its support for the attacks on the ruling Communist Party headquarters was weak, and it has not clearly supported the struggle for the right of self-determination for Bosnia and other oppressed peoples in the old USSR and Eastern Europe.

There is a thread here. The SWP is reluctant to support working class and popular struggles that go beyond the majority of the official union leadership, that pass from the economic to the political.

2. The SWP says it is for a labor party based on the unions, but it has attacked and refused to join the only organization in the U.S. that is totally geared toward building a labor party, and that is open to all for a labor party, no matter what their political views may be: Labor Party Advocates. The SWP's stand undermines the unity of the workers against the class

enemy

- 3. The SWP continues to defend socialism and communism to a certain extent. But it doesn't devote much of its propaganda to clarifying what socialism and communism are, to making socialism and communism come alive to U.S. workers. It has a tendency to identify socialism and communism with reform and democracy.
- 4. The SWP is not fighting for a workers program of transition from capitalism to socialism. It calls for a massive program of public works to provide jobs for the unemployed, but it doesn't say clearly who is going to pay for this, and how they are going to be forced to pay.

It's necessary to tax the rich, not the poor. In order to do this, it is necessary to combine all banks into a single public state bank, to prevent the rich from hiding income. There must be stiff penalties for attempting to hide income, including prison terms and confiscating property. Bank employees and other working people must be mobilized to carry out and enforce these measures.

In other words, in order to progress in solving the most elementary problems before U.S. working people, like the lack of jobs, it is necessary to begin to challenge capitalist control and, ultimately, capitalist ownership, of finances and other resources. It is necessary to take steps toward socialism.

The SWP does not make this clear. It doesn't say what steps toward socialism need to be taken. Calling for a massive program of public works, without clarifying who will pay for it, appears utopian. When federal, state, and local governments already have tremendous debts, when billions of workers' tax dollars are being poured into financing this debt, when the financial system is on the verge of collapse as a result of this debt, socialists have a responsibility to address this question.

5. The SWP claims that it is the revolutionary workers party in the U.S. But it is still a very small organization made up largely of people from middle-class backgrounds who are interested in and dedicated to the working class to different degrees, and who have decided to get jobs in unionized workplaces with this interest and dedication in mind. But it is much easier to get a job in a unionized

workplace than it is to make a clear and consistent struggle for the revolutionary socialist program among workers. In some cases, the first can facilitate the second. In others, it is a substitute for it. The SWP has excluded and turned its back on Trotskyist forces in the U.S. and throughout the world. It has turned toward forces tied to the privileged Kremlin bureaucracy — the Cuban Communist Party, the South African Communist Party, the World Federation of Democratic Youth, etc.

Instead of devoting all its resources to fighting for the revolutionary socialist program, the SWP devotes a good portion of its resources to publishing attacks on this program, on Trotsky, on Trotskyism, on the Fourth International, the world party of the socialist revolution.

Tendencies within the ranks of the Fourth International, like the majority of the United Secretariat, have paved the way for this and facilitated this by misrepresenting the revolutionary socialist program of Trotskyism and the Fourth International.

This is why we think it is necessary for revolutionaries in the United States to:

- be independent of the Socialist Workers Party;
- put out their own, independent publications to fight for the revolutionary socialist program, to win workers, youth, and militants to this program, to unify Trotskyist or Fourth Internationalist forces to fight for the program of the Fourth International and rebuild their organization.

In this way it will be possible to build an alternative to the SWP, which is a tendency that is not going to last. — M. G. ■

In the latest issue of The Fourth International:

- Freedom for Bosnia!
- The new Russian revolution and its problem of leadership (On the political revolution and the Socialist Workers Party)
- A crisis in the International Workers League
- Under the banner of Trotskyism

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In the last months, there has been more and more of tension and conflict in various Trotskyist groups.

Some Trotskyists clearly supported Iraq against U.S. imperialism, and aimed their fire at U.S. imperialism. Others joined the imperialists in condemning Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Some clearly supported the popular uprising against the privileged bureaucracy in Moscow, others did not.

Some clearly support the struggle for the right of self-determination for Bosnia and other oppressed peoples in Eastern Europe and the old USSR against the privileged bureaucracies in Moscow, Belgrade and elsewhere. Others do not.

Some clearly supported the popular uprising in Los Angeles. Others did not.

Some clearly support the struggle for a labor party based on the unions, organized by Labor Party Advocates, against the Republican and Democratic Party men in the union leaderships. Others do not.

Some are for maintaining and building independent Trotskyist groups and publications. Others are for the total dissolution of Trotskyist groups and publications into non-Trotskyist and anti-Trotskyist formations.

Some are optimistic about the prospects for socialism and Trotskyism; others are pessimistic.

In many cases these tensions and conflicts are leading to splits. At Socialist Action's convention there was a split between those who wanted to continue Socialist Action's fight for the program, and forces that wanted to orient toward the Committees of Correspondence. At the Fourth Internationalist Tendency's convention there was a split between the majority, which voted to dissolve into Solidarity, an anti-Trotskyist group, and a minority, which wants to continue the FIT's fight.

These tensions and conflicts are a result of the class struggle. Some Trotskyists are more working class, more educated in basic Marxist principles than others. Others are more influenced by petty bourgeois forces in the U.S., Europe, or the old USSR. These forces are drifting away from Trotskyism.

Forces true to Trotskyism need to unify their forces to fight for the program of the Fourth International. They need to totally break with the Socialist Workers Party and others, who have educated Trotskyists in a spirit of disdain for other Trotskyists.—M.G.

No to Maastricht!

Truth is a supporter of one of the tendencies of the Fourth International, known as the International League for the Reconstruction of the Fourth International. We think this tendency has made the most consistent struggle for the revolutionary socialist program of the Fourth International and for unifying Trotskyists to fight for this program. In this issue of Truth we are reprinting a statement from this tendency's publication The Fourth International. It is on the struggle against the Maastricht agreement. It appeared in the June issue.

Kohl, Mitterand, Major, Gonzalez ... signed the treaty hoping that its later ratification would be a purely formal question. But it wasn't this way. The Danish said no! In spite of an intense campaign of the Government, of the Parliamentary majority, and even of the union leaderships in favor of a yes vote! Working class neighborhoods said no, while the bourgeois and comfortable neighborhoods leaned toward Maastricht.

Since then, all the European government offices have been agitated, proclaiming that they would go forward with the "construction of Europe" no matter what it costs — and it is going to cost the *peoples* of Europe a lot!

The Danish workers are not mistaken. What is the Maastricht agreement? It is an agreement between Governments dictated by the big monopolies — a handful of extremely powerful financial and industrial groups! This agreement aims to establish conditions in which they can totally dominate the European market and make fierce competition with the other powers — the United States and Japan. But, at the same time, this framework is also one of ferocious competition between the different European national bourgeoisies and for the domination of the most developed countries over the rest.

The European workers feel that their future, the conditions of life and work, their social conquests, etc., are closely tied to the Maastricht agreements.

There is no doubt about it: Maastricht is accelerating the class struggle throughout Europe. And this is only the beginning. In the name of these monopolistic interests and of the preparation of all the bourgeoisies for this commercial war, the worst attacks on the working class are being unleashed. And the working class is beginning to react. In the name of Maastricht, the "socialist" government of Gonzalez in Spain has launched its

decrees against the unemployed, against the freedom to strike, pushing for freedom to layoff workers and "moderation in wages."

On May 28 there was a four hour general strike in Spain. Shortly before, there were the biggest strikes in many years in Germany.

This is what Maastricht means concretely for the workers: increased unemployment, decreased social services, precarious employment for youth, the reintroduction of night-work for women, ruin for thousands and thousand of peasants ... In a word: superexploitation and misery for the working population ... in the interests of the most fabulous and parastic business deals for the imperialist monopolies.

Maastricht also means a generalized attack on working class and democratic freedoms. The subordination of the bourgeois governments — that falsely claim to be "socialist" or for rights — to the monopolies has very concrete results. Maastricht is Europe of the monopolies; it is also Europe of the police.

In the first place, against the immigrant workers, the object of coordinated surveillance and arbitrary attacks on the part of the police of all the metropolitan centers. Even the timid right to vote in municipal elections conceded to members of the European Economic Community residing in another country appears as a denial of political rights for immigrant workers who live and work—and how!—in these countries and who constitute a very important fraction of the European industrial proletariat.

Maastricht is also the Europe of the imperialist states that make up the European Economic Community against the rights of the national minorities, the Basque, the Catalonian, the Irish ...

For this reason, the struggle of the conscious workers must come together against Maastricht and in order to bring down the governments that sign the treaty, saying no when a referendum takes place as in France; indicating the common enemy in all the partial, union and democratic struggles that are taking place in all countries, pointing through them to the workers Europe, to the Socialist United States of Europe.

In this struggle we can and must come together, in the first place, all those who fight under the banner of the Fourth International. — The International Secretariat

A socialist in Detroit speaks ...

We are reprinting excerpts from an interview with Jewel Robinson, a socialist who has lived in Detroit for many years. While some have been abandoning the struggle for socialism, Jewel maintains his socialist convictions

Truth: What changes have you seen in Detroit over the years?

J.R.: One of the interesting things that changed in Detroit was that this was a very pretty city. You had your ethnic neighborhoods, but we got together. We played ball. Even the fights were fun fights. You'd have the Italian boys down there, the Polacks, the Blacks. "O.K. We'll see you. We'll play next week."

I was a paper boy. I delivered the Times on the North End. This was a time when whites were coming up from the south to the jobs in the factories. I delivered papers to the hillbillies. Everybody lived together peaceful. Some houses had seven or eight families in them. I've seen racial harmony. We had neighbors. The kids played together. Segregated schools? This is something that I've seen recently. I came up on the North End. I went to an elementary school not too far from the art museum. You could walk to the swimming pool. You could walk to the art institute. You didn't have to be accompanied by an adult. It didn't close. There were fabulous paintings around. You didn't even see a guard. There were no security guards, gates, bars. This is a recent phenomenon among these people who call themselves civilized.

There have been a lot of changes. The middle-class white people left. All of this disgust and hatred have been fueled by the media. It wasn't like that before. I had two white buddies. They used to stay over at my house sometimes. Sometimes I'd stay over there. I know how it has been. Much of this hatred is artificially induced by the capitalistic system. It requires race divisiveness. It was a tactic that was used in the South during slavery. You have poor whites who were

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being equally exploited by the system. "I know you're poor; I know you're starving, but you're better than those niggers over there." But how is looking down on them going to put any more meat on your table? Both of us should be looking together saying, who is sticking it to both of us? This is just for self-preservation. The capitalist system works on a hierarchy basis. More and more whites are being forced to live right down where poor Blacks live. They don't care about the poor whites either. When the country was doing well, doing a lot of business, doing a lot of exploiting, Blacks started getting into higher positions. Well, the country could afford it. Because it was so rich, it could afford it. It can't afford it now.

Truth: What do you see in socialism?

J.R.: What I favor is that it is people-orientated, and not profit-motivated. I think that services, means of production, should be owned and operated by the people, that the economy shouldn't be based on a profit motive. We should put each other, each others' needs, over and above making a profit on the needs of people. I think basically that capitalism is based on a profit philosophy. In the West there were many towns that popped up and died because of where the railroad barons or the industrialist profiteers wanted to relocate next. Towns, families who had all kinds of beliefs in the system and so forth, merely manipulated as pawns by the industrialist profiteers, the capitalists. I'm a socialist because I believe in the democratic and equal principles of socialist parties, equality of the races, equality of the sexes ...

That's why I am a socialist even if it came from a Christian background. Jesus was a socialist philosopher. Those that came last must be served first. Commune — connotations regarding communism. Share. Capitalism by its very nature is divisive. It's dependent upon a wealthy ruling class profit-making system before the masses can eat. This trickle-down economics is popular

today. The war complex, the military syndrome that is needed to keep it going, the exploitive nature of it, it's against all forms of just being a civilized person. A cooperative society where we are working to benefit each other, this coincides more compatibly with a person, with how a human being should be.

Truth: What do you think should be done to advance the fight for socialism today?

J.R.: We need to unify people. Popularize socialism ...

Note: As Trotskyists, we are atheists. However, we think all working people need to work together to build a big workers party, open to all working people, no matter what their political or religious views may be.

Note to readers

With this issue of *Truth*, we are returning to publishing *Truth* on a monthly basis and in an 8-1/2 X 11 format.

Since June, 1990, we have published *Truth* every other week and in an 8-1/2 X 14 format.

This allowed us to maintain and develop ties with workers and Trotskyists in the Detroit area. However, we found that we didn't have enough space to take up problems facing the masses of workers and problems facing socialists and Trotskyists. We tried to resolve this problem by continuing to publish Truth every other week and by expanding the number of pages in Truth. However, we have found that we don't have the resources to do this.

This is why we have decided to go back to publishing *Truth* monthly, but with more pages. We will supplement the monthly *Truth* with leaflets. — M.G.

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Why socialism will work in the U.S.

Many workers think that socialism is a good idea. A socialist society is a society in which workers have their own parties, their own candidates, their own government. The workers government owns and controls all the basic resources of the society — the banks, the insurance companies, the giant agricultural, industrial, commercial, and transportation monopolies. Workers work together to produce what people need. Everyone has the basic things that he or she needs. Everyone has more free time to do whatever he or she wants to do.

So of course many workers think that socialism is a good idea. But they wonder if it will work. They wonder if it is really possible. They think of the experience in the old USSR, Eastern Europe, China, or Cuba.

But just because it has been so difficult to build socialism beginning in these countries, doesn't mean that it will be so difficult beginning in the U.S.

The great socialists — Marx, Engels, Lenin, Trotsky — never dreamed of building socialism beginning in Russia. They saw workers' uprisings in poor and backward countries like Russia as steps toward an international working class uprising, in which workers in richer, more advanced countries would take power and begin to build socialism.

Why?

Because a large, wealthy working class is the basic foundation of socialism. In order to have a socialist society, you have to have a big working class that knows how to work together to produce what people need. The working class has to have what it needs to produce what people need at its disposal. In a situation like this, there is a little or no space for the development of tendencies to enrich oneself at the expense of others, ie., capitalist tendencies.

However, where the working class is small, where it doesn't have what it needs to produce what people need, there is plenty of room for the development of private enterprise, that is, for the development of tendencies to enrich oneself at the expense of others.

The working class in the United States is one of the largest in the world. It is very well-educated. It is very skilled. It has lots of experience in democracy. Workers in the U.S. believe they have basic rights — the right to decent jobs, wages, working conditions, healthcare, education for their children; the right to say what they think; the right to vote.

From the very beginning, when workers in the U.S. take power, and overthrow the power of the rich, they will be able to organize a socialist society on foundations much higher than the Russians, the East Europeans, the Chinese, or the Cubans, could dream of doing. These people lived in total poverty, and under terrible dictatorships, before they decided that the only way out was to try to build a socialist society. They never had an opportunity to live comfortably, or practice democracy.

What is more, when U.S. workers take power, no one will dare to invade the U.S., and throw additional obstacles in the road of U.S. workers. When workers in Russia took power, in poverty-stricken, war-torn Russia in 1917, 21 imperialist armies, including the U.S. army, invaded Russia. Russian workers and peasants were forced to wage war on foreign invaders and their supporters within Russia for 4 years. The most courageous, self-sacrificing workers were killed in the war. No wonder the workers became tired, no wonder a privileged bureaucracy was able to take power and take the benefits of socialism for itself, even to the point of undermining the struggle for socialism altogether. Today the Cuban people have to continue to face U.S. troops stationed on their island, and a U.S. campaign against any trade with Cuba, including refusing to allow ships that trade with Cuba to stop in U.S. ports.

So, from the very beginning, socialism in the U.S. will be much more comfortable and free than it has been anywhere else. When workers in the U.S. take power, they will not only be able to produce all the things that people in the U.S. need. They will also be able to use the powerful U.S. economic and military machine to produce and transport things that people need to other parts of the world. Instead of producing and transporting bombs, dropping them on people, and stealing their fuel, U.S. workers will produce food, clothing, medical supplies, educational supplies, housing, basic industrial equipment, transportation, etc., transport them, and exchange them for things produced by workers in other countries that workers in this country need. They'll work together with workers in other countries to plan and organize the production of basic necessities so that it serves the interests of workers of all races and nationalities.

People throughout the world will once again look to the U.S. as a beacon of progress and freedom. But that's not going to happen as long as the current parasitic ruling class stays in power. That's only going to happen when the workers take power and begin to build a socialist society.

Capitalist society lays the foundations for a socialist society. It brings together workers of all races and nationalities in huge mines, mills, and factories. It creates a huge working class. It encourages the development of technology and equipment that allows workers to produce more and more in less and less time. Enterprizes get larger and larger. Smaller enterprizes are wiped out. Socialism arises within capitalism. All that remains to be done is to sweep away the tiny class of private owners of the giant monopolies.

Capitalism leads to socialism. Socialism is inevitable. It is simply a question of time.

What must be done to advance the fight for socialism today?

- 1. Support the struggles of all workers and oppressed peoples against the ruling class ...
- 2. Work to unify them into a single movement for a big workers party based on the unions.
- 3. Fight for socialism, against the attempts to discredit it ...
- 4. Fight for a workers program to provide decent jobs, wages, working conditions, etc.; a program of transition from capitalism to socialism. For example:
- a massive program of public works to provide jobs for the unemployed at union wages and to rebuild and modernize workers' homes, healthcare, schools, etc.;
- tax the rich, not the poor to finance this; combine all banks into a single, public state bank to prevent the rich from hiding income; stiff penalties for attempting to hide income, including imprisonment and confiscating property;
- a workers government based on an independent mass mobilization to carry out these measures ...
- 5. Build a revolutionary party to lead this fight. M. Guttshall ■

Vote Socialist November 3!

Write in James Warren for president and Estelle Debates for vice- president. Vote for James Harris for Congress, 13th District.