Ford fails to prolong U.S. imperialism's war

Thieu's Vietnam government falls; Khmer Rouge victors in Cambodia

By Peter Mallory

On April 21, when Saigon still slept, U.S. imperialism's puppet, Thieu, finally resigned. To an equally inglorious end, Thieu brought down Nixon-Kissinger's secret agreements with him, as well as Ford's attempt to prolong the 30-year war by giving Congress exactly nine days to come up with still another billion—$722 million for military aid, and $250 million for so-called humanitarian aid.

This by no means ends Pax Americana's imperialist design, and we must begin by looking at those nine days since Ford addressed a joint session of Congress on prime TV time April 10. In the face of the rejection by an overwhelming majority of the American people to any new intervention in South Vietnam and Cambodia, Ford, who himself was never elected president, dared request the new billion.

Under the delusion that the past 10 years of an active youth anti-war movement, the Black revolution, and the restlessness of labor in the present deep recession are the proper background to whip up a quiescent 1950-type McCarthy hysteria over "Who lost Vietnam?", Ford succeeded in his "peace" making the Nixon-Kissinger Vietnam-Cambodia wars his.

Clearly all that concerns politicians in face of the death agony of U.S. imperialism (and its corrupt puppets Thieu and Lon Nol), how to extricate themselves and create a scenario for getting elected by waving a Pax Americana global flag.

In fact, Thieu's so-called "strategic withdrawal", decided upon unilaterally or otherwise quickly, was proved to be a total lie as withdrawal was in fact a total rout. As proof of this, the operation was carried out under the supervision of the ARVN army and millions of refugees fled South, the loafing and brutality of those soldiers against their own people matched Thieu's corrupt and rotten regime.

When we got inside, the loudspeaker was blaring the song, "Come to a meeting after the rally." All others got the microphone, but the sound became garbled. Finally the bureaucrats told everyone: "Go home, the rally is over."

Thousands stayed around. They didn't even obey this last instruction from the union leaders. One city worker from Baltimore told me: "I never came to anything like this before. I bet most of these people didn't either. You know there is no way the AFL-CIO is going to invite us back. Maybe we could call one ourselves. That would be something Washington has never seen."

Make Your Voice Be Heard

Detroit Unemployment Meeting

Date: Sunday, May 4, Time: 3:00 p.m.
Place: DPW Local 26 Union Hall
103 W. Alexandrine, Detroit

Sponsored by Detroit News and Letters Committee
Hospital strikers demand more for patients, too

In Local #42, OPEIU, went on strike Friday, April 18. They include dietary, maintenance, housekeep­ers, their medical, their salaries were cut and they were fired from their jobs in early March by union boss Statzer. These two women staffers had been fired union organizers, Maxine Jenkins and Louise Jenkins presented a proposal to the International of Board of Directors is dominated and controlled by UAW sector, most of whom are women, have been increasing­ly interested in un­ionizing. In response to the many inquiries by groups of clericals at different workplaces, Jenkins predicts that the International of SEIU last fall. The proposal was for SEIU to charter a women's local in San Francisco for private industry clericals, some of the lowest paid workers in this country. Why are Local 400 overrules leaders—reinstates women organizers

San Francisco, Cal.—On April 15, the mem­bership of Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 400 (San Francisco City Workers) voted overwhelmingly to reinstate two women union organizers, Maxine Jenkins and Louise Stabler, whose salaries were cut and they were fired from their jobs in early March by union boss Gerry Hipps on trumped-up charges.

Over the past year, clerical workers in the private sector, most of whom are women, have been increas­ingly interested in unionizing. In response to the many inquiries by groups of clericals at different workplaces, Jenkins has predicted that the International of SEIU will be dominated by women. The proposal was for SEIU to raise a women's local in San Francisco for private industry clericals, some of the lowest paid workers in the U.S.

PROPOSAL SEEN AS THREAT

The proposal that SEIU organize several thousand women workers was regarded as a threat to the local union bureaucrats. While no formal decision was made by the union, pressure began to mount when Jenkins and Stabler protested a move in February by boss Hipps to lay off staff members out of seniority. As a result of the pressure, several groups of clericals at different hospitals, Jenkins pointed out, led the International of SEIU to deal with the issue. The proposal was for SEIU to raise a women's local in San Francisco for private industry clericals, some of the lowest paid workers in the U.S.

WOMEN DEMAND VOICE

Women have been playing a very important role in the labor movement, and how, using the Hegelian Marxian dia­lectic, we can see how revolutions have been transformed into their opposite. She pointed out the maturity of our age and the masses. She pointed out the maturity of our age and the masses.

The National Organization for Women has called a “Day of Outrage” on Mothers’ Day, May 11 at the Vati­can Embassy in Washington, D.C. to protest the Cath­olic hierarchy’s use of funds in an anti-abortion campaign. When planned before San Diego Bishop Maher’s order to deny the Eucharist to women belonging to pro-abortion organizations, it is now more than ever true. We are out here for ourselves and for the patients. We are out here for ourselves and for the patients.

Quote from Hegel sparks discussion on challenge to WL

The Detroit News & Letters Women’s Libera­tion Committee discussed the last issue of News & Letters in terms of working out a new relation­ship between theory and practice for the women’s liberation movement. To our surprise, it was a quote from Hegel that really sparked the discus­sion.

We discussed the lead article, “Women on the March,” and the revolutionary practices of women today which are providing the men with a new role. We discussed the recent liberalized abortion law, that they had the building permits and the right to build the way they wanted. Since that decision, many demonstrations have taken place throughout Germany involving thousands of people.

In Hull, England, 300 workers, most of them women, have occupied the American-owned Imperial Typper­writer Co. after being told that their factory was closing and they would be fired. The occupation has lasted over three weeks, and as one woman said: “We will not be out — no matter what comes our way — until we get our jobs back.”

The Second New York Book Fair May 26-28 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Old Customs House at Battery Park 1 Bowling Green

A gathering of alternative and independent publishers, black, women’s and radical presses, and graphics. Admission free

New tax on women demand restrooms

New York, N.Y.—The last few years have seen many women demand restrooms for themselves in numbers, the women have been in the forefront of tax­workers’ fight for justice. The women have also waged fights for justice. Many garages continue to violate women’s basic rights by not even providing women’s bathrooms. At 10:30 a.m., when the women entered the garage, they had been denied a separate bathroom. One young woman asked the boss about this and was fired. The union stewards also refused to get her job back, but still she was denied a bathroom. Then another young woman walked upstairs and used the houses’ bathroom by the office as the only way to get her job back. The management, in the person of a dispatcher, broke into the bathroom, while she was in there, and threatened to leave. Shortly afterwards, the garage wildcatted over many accumulated grievances, sparked by the firing of a driver. In a few hours, or less, everything had happened. Women have been playing a very important role in the organized Rank and File Coalition which opposes the men’s efforts to get the people without, really, doing anything. They are choosing for us. This is the power of today’s women’s liberation move­ment, which is a minority.

Taxi driver

Terry Moon

New welfare harassment

Detroit, Mich.—The Department of Social Services (DSS) is sending forms for the clients to fill out. They ask questions like where you live, how many in the family, who’s living with you and about your bank account and car, if you have one. You have to fill them out with your utility receipts, separation papers, etc.

They also give you forms that two neighbors have to fill out, and they sign it. They ask you questions like, "Is there, where he works, when was the last time he visited and where he’s living now. No neighbor would know things like that. They never ask you what you do. They don’t want your neighbor to know you’re an ABC recipient. I told my worker I filled the forms out myself and she said it was okay. They don’t want you to fill the forms out and bring the necessary papers they cut you off, and if you don’t return them in time you’re automatically cut off. It takes from 30-45 days to get back on aid, so you know if they cut off 1,000 people getting $200 a month, they’ll be setting it off for 30-45 days.

The executives of Westside Mothers urged the clients to fill the forms out because this is their source of in­come. If you lose your job, this is the only way you get welfare. You forget about pride. You really don’t have any feelings when you depend on that source of income so they urge you to do it. They’ll cut you off, and if you don’t return them in time you’re automatically cut off. It takes from 30-45 days to get back on aid, so you know if you cut off 1,000 people getting $200 a month, they’ll be setting it off for 30-45 days.

Their protest, their salaries were cut and they were fired for many years to break down the divisions within us. Why do you have to do that? It’s because we’re not just criticizing — it’s "second negativity" because he is not just criticizing. He is "second negativity" because he is not just criticizing. It was when the question came up as to how Maria Barreno Speaks for Herself.

We’re out here for ourselves and for the patients. We’re out here for ourselves and for the patients.

Admission free
Workers aren't counted in 'The Family' at GM South Gate

by Felix Martin

Leonard Woodcock recently took a tour through the GM South Gate plant. It was the plant manager, Bill Hallock, who rolled out the red carpet. In a Special Bulletin to the workers, he wrote:

"Dear Fellow Employees: Tomorrow will be a special occasion...""A special occasion...""And the day we've been waiting for since December 1966,""A special occasion...""To introduce the K-body (the mini-Cadillac)""A special occasion...""To introduce the K-body (the mini-Cadillac)"

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**EDITORIAL**

As lay-offs mount, so does workers' revolt

The 60,000 angry workers — employed and unemployed — are engaging in mass picketing, and among Jobs Now, got their message over, loud and clear: They were sick of listening to their "leaders," whether politicians or labor officials, wanting action, not more empty talk. (See story, page 1.)

So busy was President Ford telling the American people what it was all about that he failed to mention Congress on April 14, that he had neglected to say a single word about the crisis right here in the U.S. Yet the impotence of the administration abroad was clearly a reflection of its inability to do anything to end the ever-deepening recession at home.

As Ford made his speech, the real facts in life in America 1975 revealed an "official" unemployment rate of 8.7 percent — highest since the Depression — and a total, including "discouraged" workers, of over 10 million people out of jobs. In industrial states, like Michigan, unemployment has climbed to over 15 percent, and in Detroit, 22 percent.

Even the vaunted "New South" — the "economic miracle" built on runaway shops and cheap, non-union labor — is swept up in the new wave of layoffs. Textile and steel workers, the days of low rates have soared as high as 13 percent in South Carolina.

**ATTACKS ON WORKERS GROW**

More than one million workers have already been laid-off so long that they have exhausted unemployment benefits. Mass lay-offs of workers is expressing worry over "the threat of mass general starvation among children, the elderly and the unemployed.”

Accompanying the massive unemployment has come a wave of attacks on the workers inside the shops, those workers who remain on the production lines have been subjected to killing speed-ups. The simple unskilled job has skyrocketed. Public employees, now being hit by big lay-offs for the first time in more than 30 years, are fighting against the labor police, public works program (CETA) as a wedge to lower wages and break unions. And in Michigan, the State Supreme Court ruled that those employees who strike can be fired without a hearing.

**THE N O O S E OF THE LABOR BUREAUCRACY**

Out of this mass and broad range of columns in newspapers and magazines praising the "historic vision" of Walter Reuther, who, in devising the "salary schedule" plan (S S P) forced upon the UAW by contracts, "forced upon the system a new stability." No sooner had the words appeared in print than Chrysler and then GM announced that their UAW funds had gone bankrupt. The end truths is that the SSP plan was just one more scheme from that of "modification of Walter Reuther, instead of the guaranteed annual wage the rank-and-file had demanded.

It isn't that the career bureaucrats can't do better, but it is that they do so would be to release a revolt from the rank-and-file over which they would have no control. This is why they have tried to reduce the SSP plan as a "salvage session with Congress. That is what the workers totally rejected in April. 36. The kind of support the "labor leaders" are offering is the kind the rank and file is hanging man.

**LIBERAL FANTASY VS. WORKERS' CREATIVITY**

Even when the liberals are so desperate they are for solutions that one of the best of them—Tom Wicker of the New York Times—is reduced to calling the Congress on April 10. "The march of economic-political dimension, and left unprocessed is the question of unemployment into the total transformation of society, and challenges us to make that demand a reality.

**WORKING WOMEN AND LIBERATION**

Thanks for the last issue of NAL. I always find your articles interesting and truthful. I was interested about the best I have found in any Left, feminist, student, or Marxist articles on women. I agree, the experience in this last issue was especially good. Women's Studies here is fairly, shall I say, fairly. Women are being forced into writing for us, and the programs are good. Women are doing excellent, though often separated from the people's liberation movement. Feminist groups should begin to work with working class women and their organizations to get the ERA passed, in a program with specific legislation that will protect and extend their rights on the job. The ERA cannot be defeated in itself, will the ERA have any meaning, but we may have the power to get it passed.

Women's Studies Teacher
Detroit

**U.S. AND VIETNAM**

I think that the phrase "U.S. Imperialism was so desperate for a "victory" somewhere that they were ballyhooing their "peace in Vietnam" as a great success is true. After that plane shot killing all those babies aboard, it is sickening to realize that they couldn't even do that successfully.

**Disgusted Detroit**

U.S. and Vietnam

The Right keeps talking about our loss of Vietnam. It reminds me of the way they used to talk about the "loss of China." In both cases when were we supposed to loss? Now we are beginning to see the same old McCarthy-like feelers out to test the political climate — Goldwater and Wallace both talking about how the fall of South Vietnam just "proves" they were right when they wanted to settle it all with a nuclear war! I don't think there is any doubt the Right can be whipped up over this. The Right will have any chance of making serious inroads.

Unemployed Detroit

**The smartest thing Ford ever did since he took over was not to appoint the ambassador from the reporters at the airport when they started questioning him about Vietnam.**

Observer Michigan

**TAX DAY PROTEST**

A "tax day rally" to protest military spending demands that we get out of Vietnam drew a crowd of over 200, who stayed and applauded. Demonstrations played key roles in other cities, organized picketing in others. In Detroit, the rally attracted only a few passers-by at the downtown location in front of the IRS at noon on a work day. This year, the rally by the New York Coalition on the Economic Crisis and NYC War Tax Resistance was very lively.

Speakers included the Gray Panthers, working for senior citizens' rights, and the Committee to Stop Budget Cuts at the City University, as well as anti-war speakers. Many in the crowd took a leaflet on refusing to pay the federal telephone tax. Office Worker New York

**SPANISH DEFENSE**

The Spanish Defense Committee is organizing a driving attack to defeat the growing governmental repression against the Spanish political, cultural and artists' organizations, against the imprisonment, and imminent trials of Geneva lawyer, Lidia Falcon and eight other all left-wing politicians who are accused of a September bombing of a Madrid cinema.

Forest very likely could get the death sentence, Falcon and the others stand to be executed.

The general opinion of a great many Spaniards is that the embassy was a right wing move to discredit the Left. Police memos just prior to the bombing warned the police to stay away from the embassy, told the officers to use a right wing ploy.

An international protest week to support the Spanish people and to defend Forest, Falcon and the other political prisoners was planned for May 17-23. Letters must be sent to the Embassy of Spain in Washington DC, 26 through May 1. For more information and petitions to circulate, please write to:

The Spanish Defense Committee
1327 16th Street
Washington, D.C. 20009

**AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL**

De-Stalinized Russian totalitarianism is afraid of even the idea of political conscience. On April 18, the KGB raided the apartments of four politicals and arrested two members of the new Moscow chapter of Amnesty International. Anyone international works for the release and ending of torture of political prisoners throughout the world. The Mon-
TWO WORLDS

By Raya Dunayevskaya
Author of PHILOSOPHY AND REVOLUTION
and Marxism and Freedom

Two reasons prompted me, on this year’s Spring lecture tour on the East Coast, to talk on the relevance of Marx’s Philosophy and Revolution today. One was the New York Union of Radical Political Economists (URPE) invitation stressed the fact that Marxist historians should be promoting problems of today in the U.S. The other was the re-emerging Maoist Stalinism, especially amongst those specializing in China studies, which I felt had ignored the political economy of the U.S. The result was this article continuing in a future column. Here is an abstracted fragment of my talk at the New School for Social Research.

ONE: "The law of motion” that Marx had set out to discover in his massive, rigorous study of the economic laws of capitalism and “its n o t i o n s ” led to two other discussions. One is the concept of whether Marx’s capital could lead to capital concentration in the hands of a “single capitalist”, or capitalist societies, based on individual property rights over the means of production. They were the creation of "new positions and new forces" from the absolute opposed of capital accumulation—workers’ resistance to surplus production, the class struggles and passion for philosophy of liberation and reconstruction of society on totally new beginnings. Until the first, classic Revisionism—Bernstein’s Evolutionary Socialism—called for the removal of the “dialectical scaffolding” along with the indispensability of revolutionary class unity, the identity of economic, political, and ideological unity, the class struggles and passion for philosophy of liberation and reconstruction of society on totally new beginnings. Until the first, classic Revisionism—Bernstein’s Evolutionary Socialism—called for the removal of the "dialectical scaffolding” along with the indispensability of revolutionary class unity, the identity of economic, political, and ideological unity, the class struggles and passion for philosophy of liberation and reconstruction of society on totally new beginnings.

A. Member
Detroit

CANADIAN RACISM

Last year the Canadian government set up a 5-year college for Native peoples north of Montreal, Manistou College. Now on the one hand it's a "feminist" movement attacking sexism when she herself turned to analyze a still later stage of capitalist development, imperialism, and she found such sexism as arising only from the fact that Stalin’s Russia became the “policeman” arrogating to itself “distribution.” Since then, Marxist historians have either evaded the whole question by speaking of the imperialism as “counter-revolutionary” or used “state-capitalism” against Russia as if it were not a world phenomenon, or as if Russia became that only when Mao so declared. Only, though Stalin attacked the reality of the first workers’ state in history, that Marxism in the Hegelian dialectic. It is only then that the Great Depression, 1929–1939, had demolished philosophy to make my break with the Maoist philosophy to make my break with the Maoist philosophy to make my break

ITALIAN SCENE

Strikes on the Italian scene continue to be continuous. It is not only the workers that go on strike because of the layoffs, but you never know when those that will meet, bread, milk etc., might be on strike. Super markets simply close down completely.

Oren Lee Staley, president of the National Farmers’ Organization, said that the small farmers could only benefit from the organizing attempts of Cesar Chavez’s union, and stood by his right to make a living just as he desires. For the right of the small farmers to bargain collectively for the prices of their products.

FARM WORKERS

Talk about retrogression! I just read a House of Representatives subcommittee has approved a bill making it legal for children aged 5 to 12 to do hand field harvest work in areas authorized by the Secretary of Labor, as long as they work outside of school hours. Children under 16 are supposed to be unilaterally claiming them to be management personnel, people who have been in the union for years. General Manager Richard Trudeau has been trying to break the union ever since 1969, when he succeeded in getting the rangers out of the union. They are now being used as scabs against us, as well as opening new freedom, to get the money for strike benefits, and we need help. Please send what you can to:

Farm Work Supporter
Michigan

PHILOSOPHY AND REVOLUTION

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Talk about retrogression! I just read a House of Representatives subcommittee has approved a bill making it legal for children aged 5 to 12 to do hand field harvest work in areas authorized by the Secretary of Labor, as long as they work outside of school hours. Children under 16 are supposed to be unilaterally claiming them to be management personnel, people who have been in the union for years. General Manager Richard Trudeau has been trying to break the union ever since 1969, when he succeeded in getting the rangers out of the union. They are now being used as scabs against us, as well as opening new freedom, to get the money for strike benefits, and we need help. Please send what you can to:

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UFW fears Gov. Brown sell-out in California union election bill

Oakland, Cal.—Governor Brown of California has introduced into the state legislature a "compromise" secret ballot elections bill for farm workers. He says that if this measure would make it much harder for farmworkers to organize into an effective union. The United Farm Workers Union, which has been in the forefront of the farmworkers' fight, says it cannot support Brown's bill. Brown introduced it as a "compromise" between ABl, the bill's authors and several other bills supported by growers and the Teamsters. The differences in the bills are:

1. ABl, ABl, is basically a fair secret ballot election bill for farmworkers that provides speedy procedures for holding an election upon receipt of a petition signed by 50 percent of the workers on a ranch. The election must be held within seven days to guarantee all workers there be voting, and if there are any challenges, all those votes will be counted. None of the other bills offer a definite time limit, so the grower could demand a hearing then appeal, and by election time, the workers could be gone to another ranch.

2. ABl unionism hurts workers

CRAFT unionism hurts workers. It is the only bill that says the election will cover the industrial unit, instead of the craft unit. That means all the infield workers; pickers, pruners, tractor drivers, irrigators, mechanics, etc., would be all in the same union, instead of having separate bargaining units for each category.

3. ABl would institutionalize all the racist hiring policies of the growers, giving white workers tractor drivers, irrigators, mechanics, and other jobs and minorities as pickers and pruners, giving them to enhance to advance as their seniority grows.

4. ABl could be used to protect the existing sweetheart contracts. ABl says that any contract is void and must be a new election if the bill is passed. The other bills would hold the majority representation of the workers, and the workers have a right to immediate elections. Brown's bill also allows sweetheart contracts, but it's deceptive.

The Associated Press's "compromise" between the grower's and labor's position. It states: "We have agreed to move forward, to work together to get the job done. We will work to achieve a settlement that is fair to all parties involved." This statement is misleading because it hides the true intentions of the growers and the Teamsters. The growers want to prevent the union from negotiating with them on behalf of the workers, while the Teamsters are interested in maintaining their status as the official bargaining agent for the growers. The union members are left with no choice but to accept this "compromise" or face the possibility of losing their rights to organize and bargain collectively.

Finally, the main difference is the union's right to use its economic power. Only ABl protects all peaceful means to force growers to sign. One grower bill says the union may take away any products of the secondary boycott in all circumstances. The union needs strikes and boycotts and other economic means to relate to the growers.

It's not the old political hack game, where you give this and I'll give in on that. The farmworkers can't buy the growers off. They must be autonomous to survive as a union. There is no middle ground—we either support the union's right to help us by writing to Governor Brown in Sacramento and saying that ABl should regulate farm labor elections.

—Chris Norwell

Native Americans speak

by Shaline Schappe

The ABC special "I Will Fight No More Forever" (April 14) caused mixed reaction among people I know. Many Indian people I talked with supported the idea of ABl, but a significant number of others did not. Some felt that ABl should regulate farm labor elections, while others favored allowing the workers to vote on whether ABl should be implemented. There were also concerns about the potential for ABl to be used to suppress free speech and assembly rights.

The debate has some significance because it represents a debate between Black nationalists and Communists over the role of the Black community in the struggle against imperialism. The debate was launched by Don L. Lee's article in the September 1974 issue, "The Latest Purge: The Attack on Black Nationalists." The article presented concrete positions within the Black community, including the need for a Black liberation movement and the need for a political struggle.

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Portugal: a revolution at the crossroads

by Peter Mallory and Ron Brokmeier

In the wake of the recent right-wing coup attempt, however, the MFA has instituted a constitutional retainment 25 percent, and the Communists were rejected with only 12 percent. The government recently rejected colonialism and had demonstrated its own independent political direction. The junior officers in the field and the ranks of the military learned very well from the African freedom fighters they were charged with subduing. The most important thing about this form of the coup, was copied from FRELIMO in Mozambique.

This United Labour Front (ULF) maintains that not one barrel of oil will be refined nor any crude sent to the US if demands are met. The significance of this ULF is twofold: for the first time since the famous oil riots of 1937, the workers were able to take back the Portuguese colony of Macao in order to have some leverage to keep their "enemy number one" out of the Russian Communists, out of power in Portugal.

The independent activities of workers since the overthrow of fascism, however, have been useless. Aside from forcing out all remnants of the police state, workers overnight formed their own independent associations and staged countless strikes and factory takeovers. Farmworkers in the south have started seizing large estates. In Lisbon, workers have started organizing a workers council called Inter Empresas.

On Feb. 7, Inter Empresas called a demonstration of 20,000 workers who shouted "NATO out" as they passed the American Embassy. The opposition of Portuguese fishermen, who support the US as a stop to the Russians on a base for the Russian fighting fleet in Portugal. The resistance of the Portuguese revolution has been women's Liberation. While still under the old regime, when just meeting together was an act of death, the women have formed organizations of liberation of women's liberation and its inseparability from a total political philosophy. It was, says Maria Barroso, one of the leaders of the international women's movement that won their case.

Trinidad From a Trinidadian correspondent we learn the following:

For the past several weeks, economic activity in Trinidad and Tobago has been at a virtual standstill. The Workers Trade Union (OTUW), are on strike for higher wages and better working conditions. The government represented by the Oilfield Sugar Estates and Factory Workers Trade Union (ASEFWTU) which has successfully demanded a 25 percent raise in wages, have been on strike in support of the oil workers and also for demands of overtime and improved company profits. There is also the further demand by the workers (both oil and sugar) for the recognition of their trade union right. The government has also decided to use soldiers as strikebreakers, the workers have gone ahead and created a coalition of workers, farmers and transport workers (TWU), against the government and the oil and sugar owners.

All after the protection, money and military aid pumped into the country by the U.S. is totally out of control. The workers are more than capable of protecting themselves with their own strength and are demanding the vote of the oil workers. This ULF, since the revolution, has been Women's Liberation. While still under the scope of Ford, the workers were able to form their own independent associations and staged countless strikes and factory takeovers. Farmworkers in the south have started seizing large estates. In Lisbon, workers have started organizing a workers council called Inter Empresas.

Thieu's Vietnam government falls; Khmer Rouge victors in Cambodia

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Vietnam gained its freedom, defeating France at Dien Bien Phu, that Kissinger of yesteryear--Foster Dulles--split the country into North and South.

It is to forget that, from the very start, 30 years ago, the Vietnamese dreamed of their country being free, of their own government, of their own people, of their own history, of their own destiny. They have fought three times the U.S.帝国ism's running wild all over the globe cannot but be welcomed by the American people. They can see mighty nuclearly armed American imperialism is the equal of Russia, November 1917, launching a new epoch of world revolution. It is to dissemble that the good omen signified by China's ambassador's visit to the new Portugal the only way to win the struggle against the imperialists is to form a class alliance that includes both North Vietnam and the Vietcong would still prefer class compromises with the Big Powers ("the Paris Accord") rather than a war of destruction. The fact that existing state powers are the same: anything, anything at all...to avoid spontaneous revolutions, with destiny in the hands of the masses themselves.

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