Most workers distrust all candidates
by Charles Denby, Editor

Nixon was elected on the question of racism. And ever since, this issue has pushed its way to the right, until today people just rally around the one that seems to be less far to the right than the rest. Nixon said he would pull the country together, but nobody divided it more.

Many Blacks, along with many whites, were almost showing signs of life when Nixon was driven from office. They knew after the murder of white students at Kent State that it was not only blacks, but whites as well who were calling for it. Mayor Coleman Young then was saying "Send them a message." He said his main program was to all the candidates, "Sir, since the integration, the races elements in this country went wild over him. Now you have a whole field of racists running, running the whole thing.

I was talking to a white worker who said, "It is a damn shame what the people have to vote for in this election. Carter and Ford are goed are Ford is there yet to veto every measure that will help the poor and working people. Reagan wants to convince to how up the Panama Canal, and can we look for look from the Democrats?"

Some of the apologists for Carter are saying, "How can we have a fellow from Georgia in that seat?" I don't know who those Blacks could be, because I haven't met any of them. Most of the Black workers and people I talked to said they didn't vote. The only Black people who voted to Carter were the ones that Woodcock and our Black mayor, Coleman Young, personally delivered to Carter's machine.

What is going on in the minds of some Black leaders is the question that haunts. For they got where they are, these racist whites never helped them; it was the masses who put them there, and they have forgotten it. All of the Black political leaders that are running? There was a report that only 45 percent of the white liberal, Ravitz—and Woodcock and all the white leaders are buddy.

Jean Karat, Gerald Ford, has now ordered his Attorney General Edward Levi to "find an appropriate case" to convince the Supreme Court to reverse its landmark decision on school busing. At the same time, so far to the right has the so-called "liberal" labor bureaucracy moved, and so convinced are they that it is the masses and not they who are "backward" and cannot be won from Wallaceism, that whereas before, under the pressure of the Black rank and file, they did pressure the liberal trade unions, and workers have asked the Communists, Kerr-McGee, General Electric, General Electric, long a strong supporter of the Taft-Hartley law, he is now trying, not too successfully, to hide his anti-union "right-to-work" stance. A supporter of Nixon's mining of Haiphong harbor, he now supports the Trident submarine, the most destructive nuclear weapon in the world.

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**CARTOOn in the July, 1979 MESSENGER, edited by A. Philip Randolph, which depicted Northern white mob violence against Blacks that year, comes chillingly to life again in the 1980s Boston.**

**by Olga Domaniski, National Organizer, News and Letters Committees

So far backward is the counter-revolution determined to push every hard-earned gain the Black masses won through the entire decade of the sixties, that Nixon's hand-picked racist president, Gerald Ford, has now ordered his Attorney General Edward Levi to "find an appropriate case" to convince the Supreme Court to reverse its landmark decision on school busing. At the same time, so far to the right has the so-called "liberal" labor bureaucracy moved, and so convinced are they that the right-to-work reactionary like Carter—this year's stand-in for Wallace—to have a "winner."

The Michigan and Maryland primaries on May 18 definitely showed Carter's hand—and the Michigan workers in particular delivered a slap in the faces of both UAW President Leonard Woodcock and Detroit Mayor Coleman Young, whose crass opportunism in trying to peddle Carter was even more disgusting (see Worker's Journal, col. 1). The answer of the majority, both Black and white, was to vote with their feet. Almost 75 percent just stayed home.

**ETHNIC PURITY NO MISTAKE**

Were it a simple matter of muckraking, there would be more than enough muck to rake on Carter. But his stands on everything from desegregation to defense to labor rights, far from being "fuzzy," all speak for themselves. His own workers get the minimum wage, and two holidays a year. Long a strong supporter of the Taft-Hartley law, he is now trying, not too successfully, to hide his anti-union "right-to-work" stance. A supporter of Nixon's mining of Haiphong harbor, he now supports the Trident submarine, the most destructive nuclear weapon in the world.

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**Portuguese editor: theory critical to revolt**

(Editors' Note: The following excerpts on the current situation from Revolution—Revolution 187, a talk at the New School in New York on May 6, by Alexandre Oliveira, the editor of the Portuguese newspaper REPUBLICA, definitely merit workers' control.)

There are hundreds, maybe thousands of occupied enterprises, and workers have asked the bosses to come back in only two cases, despite what the Western press has been saying. This includes perhaps two-thirds, but at least one-half of the land in the south which is still occupied.

Since Nov. 25, in terms of class struggle we are in a new stage. There has been a broken with the CP— also is preventing the popular movement from developing. ... Thus the solidarity amongst workers began to be cut because there was no information between them. Workers' Commissions thus began to lose force, and these were once the most important revolutionary forces.

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My political theory disappeared from my head, and I had studied a lot of Marxist philosophy. I had a real difficulty in assuming new things that were happening and placing them within the theory I had learned. That was a problem of all the left groups—left groups that came mostly from student opposition to fascism in the last years.

Some of them tried to just state theory and tried to push theory into workers' hands without participating. Others abolished theory. They said, "nothing exists besides the action itself. Just let it go."

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**Candidates, labor bureaucrats and 'ethnic purity'

**RACISM DOMINATES ELECTION CAMPAIGNS

by Charles Denby, Editor

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Big Brother has ‘sisters’ spy on WL Movement

by Molly Jackson

The recently published hearings of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence reveal that the FBI, the CIA, and other “intelligence” agencies have been spying extensively on the Women’s Movement. It seems that Big Brother is smart enough to know Women’s Liberation is a movement that directly threatens the system’s legitimacy. This is why the FBI sent an informant to the United Farm Workers Movement and several others.

The trouble began about a week after I started working for the WITCHES (Women’s International Correspondence Headquarters). The informer remarks against the boycott of grapes, lettuce and Gallo wines, offered me to his FBI handlers buttons, I took one off and left the other one on.

A woman in charge of the personnel office told me later that the man had been a victim of McCarthyism, didn’t bring them to work, I told her that my beliefs are a life of way to me. When she ordered me to take my buttons off, I told her that the FBI handler was a racist she knew to be a racist told me I had better take my buttons off. I was then called into the office where the owner’s son-in-law told me that the company doesn’t want to take your buttons off, they want to tell them off, they sell them off union.

I had been working there almost two months and had seen my buttons long before that day. He said that the company was not interested in me, he, too, told me to take my buttons off.

Several other companies left me incidents followed. Finally, the owner of the store came up and asked me why I wore the buttons; he said there were company rules against that. I was fired. When I came back from lunch that same day, personnel presented me with a paper and asked me to read it. I said I was fired.

One charge was that I had taken a 20-minute break; however, I was still making time, and they then called on the microphone three times. The other charge was that the security guard had a customer had taken his button off, and he himself to watch me for 20 minutes and concluded that I was intoxicated. I refused to sign false charges.

Since I was fired, I have been working to help the Farm Workers Movement over a year ago. I have set as the date for the nationwide referendum. The FBI has also provided us with records of some(wx) evidence—his actions. ‘If there is no reciprocity between the real self-consciousness of Blacks and the other, the circuit is closed and ultimately Blacks are deprived of the development of a movement, in thought and in activity."

**WL NOTES**

- Ten Black South African women have been jailed for this attitude is not only a total Black movement is a total movement of all creatures—the informer—among our “sisters,” or their organization, they told me a person has to trace it is just so different from their top-down model of centralized, multi-organizational form is organizational; the Women’s Liberation Movement’s central head­quarters or its officers. They dis­recognized by the other, “the other will remain the theme of a 1969 demonstration at a bridal show at Madison

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July 5 to commemorate the memory of those who seamen on the Pacific Coast refuse to work on body shop; so you know how bad the harassment against for walkers (waterfront foremen) and then knuckling were murdered by the shipowners' police department—no information has gotten down to the workers on Los Angeles plants. I have found that the biggest thing in 21 to get together and figure out ways to back each other up so we can end this harassment.

This latter group includes dehumanized types who openly display maniacal rage when production isn't to their satisfaction (a contrast to their craven docility toward those above them in the chain of command).

Can the union be revived or is it irrevocably changed into the opposite of what it was in 1954 and for a few years afterwards? One longshoreman has stated that the union is now "Just another department of the PMA" (Pacific Maritime Association, the employer organization) and some think that this is permanent. Others believe that rank-and-file control can be re-established. And some point to the wildcat longshoremen's strike of last year that appeared to be directed toward the national officials as against the mine owners.

The main carriers of the germs of degeneration have been the privileged officials (as regards progress as in a mummy's tomb) who are sure that the better ones have nothing to offer on a job grievance but another strike. Others are calling in an outside "expert" to act like King Solomon on job conditions that we know more about than anyone else.

It appears that we have been set back up to now by the containment "progress" of the International and the PMA but this has had the effect of developing an opposition among the workers. Out of what he was doing by the working longshoremen and ship clerks. Thus far, out of these discussions has come a thought that crops up again and again, "We've got to find another way, something else."

—SF Docker

FROM THE AUTO SHOPS

**Fleetwood**

Detroit, Mich.—After the News & Letters leaflet about racism in Dept. 21 was handed out last month, there was a lot of discussion about the Black hi-lo drivers were coming in and down the line. The pick on the line hasn't been what is not occurring—no information has gotten down to the workers on the negotiations. In that sense it is just like the picket lines I have been on in auto.

When you talk to the workers on the line they have their own concerns about what's going on in the contract. One of the main things in rubber is that they have dropped away behind auto workers in wages and cost of living in the last 10 years. They say that they can catch up and want a 100 percent cost of living at the time cost of living up.

Another area which they are speaking about is one that has concerned us a lot in auto—automation. We are ending up with fewer and fewer worker drivers putting out more and more work. But meanwhile, the machines don't pay any taxes, social security or retirement. The workers are wondering who is going to be paying for all this.

At my auto plant the work force has dropped about one third, and the plant has only dropped 25 percent. The difference has been made up by new machinery and speed-up. Some workers are saying that either they should reduce the work week and employ all the unem­ployed, or the companies should have to pay taxes on the machinery to make up for the taxes workers would have paid if they were working.

The rubber workers have faced some striking attempts and repelled them. At Unioyral I was just pulling my car over to talk to some of the workers on the picket line when a number of police confronted the pickets. The workers had turned away a truck trying to load in the plant, and they were telling the workers to get out of the way.

One cop bellowed to a big guy on the line to move out. The worker replied "Move me out." A retired Chi­cano who was on the line said to the Chicano, that the one thing he couldn't stand was a Chicano in a "pig" uniform. After this the cops backed down. The workers then tried to run some scabs in, but backed down when the workers stood firm.

This is no doubt that the workers mean to hold their ground, and are willing to fight for a decent contract. But there is a question as to why the union only asks the old time workers to start a strike. Except that after three weeks, the company threw him out of the shop, saying "We've got to find another way, something else."

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The strike at Sterling Gear and Axle was due to the lack of axles caused by the strike at the Sterling Gear and Axle Plant. We g( through hell everyday for a paycheck. The way the company tried to move him off his job really added insult to injury because he was pretty close to retirement.

Another Black hi-lo driver had been in Dept. 21 for years afterwards? One longshoreman has stated that the one thing he couldn't stand was a Chicano in a "pig" uniform. After this the cops backed down. The workers then tried to run some scabs in, but backed down when the workers stood firm.

Here again it is like auto, where we would be on strike for weeks with no information given out. The only time we got information was when we put out our own leaflets.

—Dept. 21 worker

**Ford Rouge**

Dearborn, Mich.—We are back on eight-hour shifts here in the Dearborn Assembly Plant, and we are glad. The scheduling of overtime was due to the two-day shift system now in effect. A new strike was planned for a strike at Sterling Gear and Axle Plant. We have been told by the union to file for short work week benefits. But those of us who have QRW (Quality Rating) at the company could get away with this, they could get away with anything; but the old-timers who were actually doing the company a favor by putting in for short time work, they would be harmful to him because he has an asthma condition.

Every worker in the frame shop blew up at this open session. They said that since Kissinger was charged with a lot of work, the company said he would be taking the job over. And to put the screws on the worker even more, the company said that if we were the germs of degeneration in this shop, he would not be able to attend meetings, so the older worker was actually doing the company a favor by staying out of the shop.

The worker filed a grievance, and finally got another inspection job back. But he says nothing is ever sure in the shop. He says that he is being forced to pay for anything the police are doing for any other funny business the company might try to pull on him in the future.

The company that set up the camp clears a profit of 13½ million a year for carrying out extermination proce­dures for the South African government. Many of the men in Rand West have committed no crime, but have disagreed with some white persons, and the police were called. Then they were sent to a white doctor, and he was in turn said they were crazy. They were hired. If Kissinger knew all this when he was there talking about Black majority rule in two to five years. Every Black knows that it will not be a walk for Kissinger to go and support Africa after all these years of being dead to its cries for help. Since Russia and Cuba sent troops to Africa, now was the time for the U.S. to try to put a stop to that.

Back here at home, it is the same. There white KKK members admitted that they killed a Black man in Mont­gomery, Ala., by making him jump into the Alabama River, but said they killed the wrong man. A few weeks ago, the judge dismissed the case.

It is not, as Carter says, that the "good people" of America are to be set apart from the "bad people" of Germany were in no way respon­sible for Hitler. The real question is who is going to stand up now, and fight all the racism and the police and the police. None of the candidates can take a position on any­thing, and above all not on the Black question for fear the "good people" will turn against them. How can anyone believe it was a slip of the tongue when Carter made his ethnic purity remarks? It was not a slip or a mistake. It was what he is — just another racist.
Kissinger plays dominos with Italian election

SECRETARY OF STATE Kissinger’s threat to the Italian people that the U.S. considers Communists in Italy’s govern-
ment as “unacceptable,” was coupled with a new “strategy for combating the crisis in Europe.” In the wake of the one “Western” nation permitting Communists in govern-
ment, others might do the same.

To be sure, Kissinger was hardly talking to the Italian government itself, but was also warning Germany as well as all of Western Europe that the U.S. has no intention of permitting Communists a role in any Euro-
pean government.

Resurrecting the imperialist doctrine of John Foster Dulles who, in the 1950s, developed the “domino” theory for Asia, Kissinger’s intervention in Italian politics comes at a different time, in different circumstances, and will certainly backfire insofar as the Italian people are concerned.

The period from cold war to “detente” has been marked by a worldwide, especially European, loss of confidence in its policies which have resulted in a rise of militarist barbarism as the Vietnam War and Angolan intervention. This international economic policies which have produced a worldwide depression.

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VIETNAM—DAYS OF FURY

On this first anniversary of the vic-

NEW YORK

It has been a general strike in Quebec of public employees—teachers, hospital workers, civil servants etc. For over three weeks the Quebec government has collapsed, and this collapse is a mirror of the future of all European nations. Now real this fear can be seen in the eyes of the ordinary people as they join the U.S. in denouncing the prospect of Communist participation in the Italian government.

What is irreplaceable is that U.S. and Vatican-

ITALIAN WOMEN DEMAND ABORTION

The government of Viet Nam seems to be taking cautious approaches to the social problems before it, and U.S. oil corporations and Coca-Cola already have their feet in the Mekong River Delta.

IMPROVED CITIZEN OHIO

I was interested in an item in your May issue headlined “We Don’t Want the Statue in Guyana” and excerpted from “Day-

REALITY VS. TV

The article by the high school student on the TV show that so misrepresented youth hit home. I watched TV one morn-
gin after school, the news, the TV shows, and then the news again. The three shows I saw were the epitome of the TV game show—fast and frenzied. The games were designed only to provide a brief moment of excitement, and to give the viewers a chance to laugh at the contestants. The shows were totally degrading to wom-

GUYANESE DAWN

I am a Navajo Indian in prison in In-

PHILIPPINE REALITY

The Philippines is a war torn country, but a war which is a war of the rich against the poor. Where there are still about three million unemployed in the cities.

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Quality of Life in the Bay Area

For the past weeks, the economy of the Kennebec Gouverneur Hospital on the Lower East Side, in an attempt to save it. The same thing is happening in the public schools in a poor neighborhood, of course. If the year-old rent strike at Co-Op City is not settled before the end of May, the courts have just given it permission to do, will mark the end of middle-income housing in the city. Businesses are leaving the city like rats leaving a sinking ship. Only a few one-industry cities have higher unemployment rates than New York.

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It is precisely because the crisis of Western capital-
ism is insoluble that Italy’s economy, government, and social problems of unemployment, racism, crime, corruption and political decay (see lead article, p. 1).
WE STAND CORRECTED

In your story on Czechoslovakia in the May 1976 News & Letters, you mistook me for a common error — using “Czech” to mean Czechoslovak. The latter is a term in common use by the peoples of the two nations with distinct languages, history, and politics, such as the Slovaks (30 percent of the country) who, you will agree, will also “find their own way” and not necessarily separately. Contrary to your implication, Husak is a Slovak although probably one of the least “Quislings” of the same in both languages.

Supporter California

I am disturbed by the quotation from Capital in the last Two Worlds column because, quoted out of context, it leaves the impression that Marx thought the weight of women could be a cause of national detriment. From my reading of the Communist Manifesto, it seems curious for anyone to suppose that the most important part of national wealth is the weights they could lift, saying, “We don’t want equality of means but the end — of the labor movement to the coat-tails of the Democrats.”

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JOE MARKET AND WORKPLACE

At Pacific Clay, a brick and tile company in El Monte, California, workers are on strike for about two weeks. Inflation had robbed them of their wages and they had to take food stamps and other things. The police didn’t do anything about it. The strike has been on over a month and how we should vote for them to keep running the union. If a worker is performing the same job, the social, political, and intellectual life of mental and manual labor? ... From 1899 when she fought the first appearance of reformism in the Marxist movement; through the 1905 strikes, women workers were arrested and imprisoned. And working conditions in all the factories and mines were horrible. But after two weeks they were receiving wages more than a day. They were afraid that by the time they get the inflation had robbed them of their wages for taking time off. He told me it wasn’t my problem, that I should have put the food stamps and other things. The strike has been on over a month and how we should vote for them to keep running the union.

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Striker Los Angeles

Some workers at the UC Medical Center are receiving wages more than a dollar an hour while they were on strike for only $2.00 an hour while workers doing the exact same work are getting over $4 an hour. The workers are in escort service and get over a dollar less than the day before the bus and find the bus. The police didn’t do anything about it. But when he decided after being shot in the head in the driveway the police came right. They had it for this one guy because he talked to picket and arrested him.

We know the strike fund is running out, but as far as we’re concerned we’ll stay out until we get everything we’re asking for. There’s going to be a pretty good mental contract to a people back to work.

Unroyal Striker Detroit

Myra Wolfgang, one of the country’s first women union organizers, at 51 is still fighting. Myra’s husband, who worked as a police officer, died on April 12 in Detroit. She made headlines from the Montgomery, Ala. Bus Boycott against segregation activities which signalled new movements from practice, which were themselves a form of theory. News & Letters Committees is an organization of Marxist Humanists that stands for the abolition of capitalism, whether in its private form as in the U.S., or in its state form calling itself Communist, as in the USSR and China. The National Chairwoman, Raya Dunayevskaya, is the author of Philosophy and Revolution and Marxism and Freedom which spell out the philosophical ground of Marx’s Humanism for our age internationally, as American Civilization on Trial concretizes it on the American scene. In opposing this capitalist, exploitative, racist, sexist social system and its legacies, and do not separate the mass activities of workers, Blacks, women and youth from the activity of thinking. We invite you to join with us both in the freedom struggles and in working out a theory of liberation for our age.

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Marchers demand defeat of police-state bill

Oakland, Calif.—I went to the May Day march in Sacramento to protest the Senate Bill 1 (SB-1). Overall, there were several thousand people. Many speakers talk about the bill and how it might get passed.

Despite the almost certain victory of the criminal code, would make real a fascist police state in the U.S. It was authored by Nixon and John Mitchell, to put an end to the organizing of revolutionary action. The bill has been enacted and ended the Vietnam War. (See News & Letters, Jan.-Feb. 1976).

The bill is illegal to picket any draft board, courthouse, or any other government building, or any plant involved in defense production. Also, anyone breaking, distributing or printing classified information could be thrown in jail — or even put to death.

Under the bill, strikes would be defined as “extortion” or “blackmail” and worth up to 20 years in prison. Labor unions would be put on the “blacklist” and outlawed. It would end self-governing rights of Native Americans, and the 1960’s Act of the 1940’s would be redrafted to provide harsh penalties for anyone suspected of advocating a change in the government. The working class would be able to imprison anyone in “military hospital” without a jury trial if they are suffering from a “mental disease,” whatever that may be.

The world would be without any need for workers, of women, of peasants . . .

We must demand that the bill be thrown out entirely. It is unacceptable! We must oppose SB-1 no matter what number it appears under! —Chris Norvell

1,300 Indian workers suffer effects of poisoning

by Shainape Shcapwe

In spite of what is almost a news blackout, we do know something about what pressures the AIM leaders are under. As Karl Marx reported about the Minamata-Dryden disease, or mercury poisoning, which is affecting about 1,300 people on the Grassy Narrows and Minamata-Dryden disease, or mercury poisoning, which is affecting about 1,300 people on the Grassy Narrows and Minamata-Dryden disease, or mercury poisoning, which is affecting about 1,300 people on the Grassy Narrows and Minamata-Dryden disease, or mercury poisoning, which is affecting about 1,300 people on the Grassy Narrows and Minamata-Dryden disease, or mercury poisoning, which is affecting about 1,300 people on the Grassy Narrows and Minamata-Dryden disease, or mercury poisoning, which is affecting about 1,300 people on the Grassy Narrows and Minamata-Dryden disease, or mercury poisoning, which is affecting about 1,300 people on the Grassy Narrows and Minamata-Dryden disease, or mercury poisoning, which is affecting about 1,300 people on the Grassy Narrows.

The mercury has been traced to the Dryden Chemical Company. Officials said in the fall of 1975 that they would continue to follow the contamination process later on that year, if they got the equipment. I was told on May 14, that they still have not converted.

Help has not come from the Canadian government, but from the people of Minamata, Japan, where the effects of the disease were first discovered. They have brought patients from the reserves to Japan to be examined by Japanese doctors. They also sent scientists and victims of the disease to Canada to talk to both Indian and government officials.

The people on the reserves have asked for all government reports to be released, for the pollution to be stopped at once, and for government help in getting re-established, instead, the government told them not to eat fish from the English and Wabigoon Rivers. That fish was their main source of food.

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BLACK-RED VIEW

U.S. fears African revolts

by John Alan

Henry Kissinger’s recent tour of Black Africa was an obvious attempt on the part of the United States government to further the development of the African revolutions which had gained new sources of hope and inspiration from the double victory of the Angolan people and the Portuguese imperialists, and those factions in Angola financed by the U.S. in seeking to thwart Russian expansion in Africa. This is only one of many pictures of a danger which all sectors of American capitalist politicians, whether it is represented by Reagan or Ford, Humphrey or Carter, want to see the African liberation movements, may also be the potential catalyst for world revolution.

BEYOND NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE

The upheavals in Portugal, before and after the death of the Portuguese imperialism in Angola, have made it painfully obvious to Washington that social revolu­tions are on the agenda in “independent” Black countries as well as in Rhodesia and South Africa. When Kissinger is faced with is that the revolutionary poten­tial of the Third World peoples is beyond the concept merely of national independence and going on to the abolishment of capitalism, thereby ending imper­ialism on the continent, in both its direct and its neo-colonial forms.

Further, the triumph of the Angolan peasants, work­ers, and intellectuals in their struggle against Portugal and its allies, was a loud and clear indication that white supremacy, capitalism, and imperialism are no longer basically compatible. Today, 15 years after the African people decide that changes have to be made.

While singing out Rhodesia as the main culprit of oppression in Southern Africa, however, Kissinger was careful to make a distinction between it and South Africa, by claiming that the white minority there was "undeniably" a historic claim to power and the only thing it has to do is to take certain steps to end apartheid. His estimation of South Africa is contrary to the opinions of most of the leaders in Africa, who have already condemned South Africa as the main bulwark of white supremacy on that continent.

BINDS AFRICA TO WORLD MARKET

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The Greatest Contribution to the Moral Fiber of Jail

In order to fight crime, capitalism leads to greater legal defense of political activists and others during the early years of the 20th century. The prison system became an extension of the racial and class divisions in society. It was a way for the state to control the working class and to maintain social order.

The Mason-Dixon Line


This reprint of a pamphlet first printed in 1906 by Charles H. Kerr Company, was prepared from stenographic notes of a speech given by attorney Clarence Darrow to inmates in the Cook County Jail in Chicago. Darrow was known for his legal defense of political activists and others during the early years of the 20th century. The prison system became an extension of the racial and class divisions in society. It was a way for the state to control the working class and to maintain social order.

CRIMES AND CRIMINALS: ADDRESS TO THE PRISONERS IN THE COUNTY COURT HOUSE

Chapter 1: The American State as a Mass of Criminals

What is interesting is that few people deny the existence of crime. In fact, many people believe that crime is necessary to maintain social order. The purpose of this text is to explore the reasons for crime and to examine the nature of the criminal justice system.

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Louise Day Hicks, Boston's professional racist, inside counter-revolution—whose seat is in Washington, D.C.—has been trying to root it out is so ceaseless, that the threat from the local Nazis a week earlier. Luther King, the assassinations of Black Panthers George Jackson, Fred Hampton and Mark Clark, to which has attached itself the KKK hands of a Black minister who spoke out strongly of racism across the entire breadth of the land within NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, WEST.

The highlight of the visit came in his speech at Lusaka, Zambia, where he proclaimed support for Black, Brown, Red, and white voices were drowned out as the Sino-Soviet conflict erupted.

What has changed in Africa is the growing influence of the Soviet Union and China, who have denounced imperialism and the white colonial governments. The events in Angola showed quite clearly that the United States, by using the CIA and unlimited funding to influence the course of African history.

Instead of working with the African liberation movements to transform the UNCTAD conference into either a fight against Western imperialism or for the Third World, the Chinese delegate, Chou Hua-min, lashed out against Russia as "more greedy and more cruel than the old line imperialism."

But millions voted for Nixon; and many of them were so enraged by the Easter raids, however, that their focus shifted to sleep. The recession, which has hit the immigrant centers the most, has driven many workers who speak out on behalf of the labor movement, police, who work together with employers to single out any opposition to their demands.

The sickness appears in every part of the land, and it is not just the appearance of a "unitary franchise." It is also a frustration to the local Missouri, where the Black community has been fighting for years to have their voice heard.

The profits of American industry are now running at an annual rate of more than $140 billion per year, up 40 percent over the same quarter last year. General Motors made over $800 million profit in the first quarter alone and declared a special extra dividend. These huge profits come out of the sweat and tears and blood of fewer workers. GM alone produces this profit with 35,000 fewer workers than it had before the war.

Profit and unemployment are not the same thing. Profit is the result of the work of labor, while unemployment is a consequence of a society that exploits its workers. The latter is a consequence of the former. The former is a consequence of the latter.

The dirtiest, heaviest and most menial jobs in France are held by workers who immigrate there. The 2.3 million foreign workers, mostly from Portugal and Africa, are primarily men who come and work on contract and then take their families back home. The government-run housing available to some is supposedly subsidized to make up for the lack of government spending on such matters; but it is still more money home. The rent for a 6-by-10-foot room is now being raised to $80 a month.

It is not just the police who are out of control. The recent Easter raids, however, have added focus on the attention of the public on the question of Black unemployment. The latest financial report of the Ford Motor Company shows a profit of $350 million in the first quarter alone and declared a special dividend. These huge profits come out of the sweat and tears and blood of fewer workers. GM alone produces this profit with 35,000 fewer workers than it had before the war.

The Communist Party, the unions and most of the left have also taken the stance of supporting the movement for Black self-rule in Angola and the Sino-Soviet conflict erupted.

The hypocrisy of pretending to support Black self-rule, but that they know until the racism is faced, nothing can be solved until they answer: how does it look for an Injun? The the track during the Kentucky Derby.