1. Facing State Capitalist World Reality

The instigation to racism directly from the White House, under the threadbare euphemism of anti-busing, compounded by even more blatant racism of Ronald Reagan, reveals the abysmal state of degeneracy of the U.S. rulers this bi-centennial year. "Smiley" Carter, the Democratic Party challenger to the Republican incumbent, has likewise nothing to offer but noxious "ethinic purity." And, as if unconditionally bloated profits, in face of continuing high unemployment which has become a permanence, there is a new and not merely as Moslem vs. Christian, but as anti-busing, compounded by the even more grotesque feature Ford seems to see is inflation, and not merely as a means to reduce the poor's living standards, including the place where the U.S. has cut off food stamps to maintain on social security and welfare. Nor is it possible to take the crisis in this country out of the context of the crisis on which imperialist powers, in all of which U.S. imperialism is hardly the least of the perpetrators-instigators.

Take the little country of Lebanon where the civil war surely began on indigenous grounds, then between the fascist Falangist rulers holding on to their unholy military-economic-political exploitative dominance in face of the challenge of the great masses of Lebanese on the one hand, and not merely as Moslem vs. Christian, but as an exploited versus exploiter society. The sharp class struggles have, after all, gone on for years, but this year they were finally reaching a successful finish. This time, it is true, the first to enter the fray was not the U.S. but the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). It was he, while shouting orders to his UN representative on the "Zionism is racism" Resolution, who also ordered the winning Lebanese Left to hold in its reins, to accept the leadership not only of the PLO but also of Syria's Palestine Liberation Army (PLA). And once that happened, the imperialist U.S. eye became glued to the situation in Lebanon, at one and the same time decrying "foreign intervention"...and welcoming Syria's. Pandora's box is now open, not only in Lebanon but with the other nuclear global super power, Russia, while the other "Communist" power, China, is busy regularly and favorably reporting meetings of Islamic countries and their communiques about "ending Zionist occupation". The complications that (1) France's d'Estaing's sudden protrusion into its own internal affairs which the U.S.'s ubiquitous Secretary of State Kissinger is christening as a "historic role"; (2) the murder of U.S. Ambassador to Lebanon, Me- ley; and (3) the landing of a new Aconcagua Army "to keep the peace," will be introduced into that tinderbox, the Middle East, cannot but multiply the counter-revolutionary factors in that beleaguered land.

U.S. imperialism in this single year has inter- vened in every crisis spot in the world from Angola to Italy, from the Middle East to Latin America, and to what the Manchester Guardian (Le Monde section), 3-20-76, calls "a counter-revolutionary climax in the Nixon Administration's 1970 invasion of Cambodia and massacre at Kent State, and Jackson State College in Mississippi and Augusta, Georgia."

In all instances it is impossible to separate the objective crisis from the subjective moods not only of the PLO but also of Syria's Palestine Liberation Army (PLA). And once that happened, the international state-power that it was all down to the new type of national capitalism—state-capitalism, called itself Communist—which does indeed have a global reach.

The sharply dual, contradictory nature of state-capitalism befuddles the "New Left" sufficiently to consider it the (state-capitalist planned economy) some kind of nouvelle alternative to private capitalism. Since, however, the two revolutions this year—Portuguese and Angolan—which created the fright of a possible shift in the global balance of power have created some very strange bedfellows indeed, we must take a second look both at that Goliath, U.S. imperialism with its Prime Minister, Vorster, and at that "internationalist" state-power they tailend...It all comes down to the new type of national capitalism—state-capitalism, calling itself Communist—

II. U.S.'s South African Connection

The totality of the world crisis is such that Gollaths likewise cannot escape it; indeed they bring it on—massive unemployment, spiralling inflation, the undercurrent of revolt which has brought about instability, that instability that will not let go and threatens capitalist class rule itself. It is this which has brought about the curious situation that it is not only Ford-Kissinger but the Congressional Black Caucus that presents U.S. imperialism as if it were concerned with the Third World. What should have been used as the most telling tale of all the total hypocrisy of the U.S.-Kissinger's present meeting with Vor- ster—is very nearly being whitewashed by them. Indeed, Kissinger got an O.K. for this meeting from the Congressional Black Caucus as if Kissinger would, in the not too distant future of that, help bring about majority Black rule in Rhodesia. O.K. let's take a look at real relations with South Africa, economically and politically.

A single glance at U.S. investments in South Africa show them to be both massive and growing. Where, a decade ago, U.S. companies had $600 million invested in that apartheid land, it has skyrocketed to no less than $1.46 billion in 1974, the last year for which data is available. Further projects are being built by Kennecott Copper and Calvert Petroleum (owned jointly by Standard Oil of California and Texaco, Inc.). Moreover, some Canadian-sounding names are mainly American owned, as witness Quebec Iron & Titana which is two-thirds owned by Kennecott and one-third by Gulf and Western Industries, which has a 39 percent interest in a proposed $290 million mining and smelting complex. Two other... (Continued on Page 2)
The designation of the Third World has, of course, by now become a misnomer. The Arab Gold Circle carries a clout all its own, and again, not only in economics—the fact that the energy crisis for the industrialized world, which the undeveloped does not in any way divert from the oppressive capital-labor relationship in each country—but politically in Western Europe as well as Japan, and the U.S.—as well as the UN where, especially when it comes to the question of Israel, it has very nearly totally collapsed. This, however, in no way helps the poor Third World masses in the Gold Circle any more than the masses of Africa.

Which is why all the rulers feel a great deal more in common with each other than with their own poor people. It is this very moment, despite both the civil war in Lebanon and the revolt in South Africa—or just the elections in Italy—Ford-Kissinger's meddling is accepted. From the capitalists' point of view that is understandable enough. The shocker is China. As a state-capitalist society calling itself Communist, it has been building up all sorts of theories from Marx's Russia is state-capitalist while it, China, remained the world revolutionaries' beacon light. But its support of FNLA and UNITA brought it so close to South Africa that, at least in Africa, it had to step back.7

Just as the breath we gained with the mass disgust with Watergate, which at least did remove Nixon from office, didn't mean any fundamental change in capitalism-imperialism in reactionary outpouring against the anti-Vietnam war movement, or in Nixoism's racism and anti-Semitism, so the present move back from the precipice of being with South Africa doesn't cause fundamental class changes in either Russian or Chinese state-capitalism, or more familiar globalization-capitalist-imperialism. It becomes imperative therefore to turn to basic questions:

III. State Capitalism—in Theory and in Practice

What is state-capitalism calling itself Communism? Isn't it the stage toward the Marx predicted in Capital, not because he was preoccupied with “prophesying” ultimate, but because, in logically tracing the “law of motion” of capitalism, he wanted to transform into a new stage where all capital would be concentrated “in the hands of a single capitalist” or one international capitalist, nothing fundamental whatever would change in

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6 “Uncertainties in S. Africa Don't Slow U.S. Investing” by John Henry, Detroit Free Press, 6-20-76.
8 See Ch. 8 on "The Logic and Scope of Capital" especially the section on its applicability to today: "The fundamental error of those who cannot understand that a single capitalist society is governed by the same laws as a society composed of individual-capitalists is that they simply will not understand that what happens in the market is merely the result and the consequence of the inherent difficulties in the process of production and reproduction ... It is precisely, therefore, that single capitalist society will have a limitless market. The single capitalist—call him 'Collective Leadership under Krushchev, Inc.'—will have, at a certain stage, a magnificent plant, completely automated, or a jet bomber, but he does not need it because he doesn't work. ... Marx, throughout Capital, insists that either you have the self-activity of the workers, the plan of freely associated labor, or you have no conception of relations in the factory and the despotic Plan of Capital. There is no in-between." Marxism and Freedom, p. 136.
9 See Political-Philosophic Letter #4-3, "Western Europe and its Communist Parties; Portugal and its Socialist Party: New Stage of State-Capitalist Crisis." Since that letter was written, in May, the European Communist Parties met in East Berlin, and seemed happy with their separated national Communism and with their imported "European" revolution. Anti-socialist, anti-communist. As against this development, the latest revolt of the Polish workers shows the real state of unrest within each of these national Communist state-capitalists. The Polish Foreign Policy Association has recently issued a statement advising Kissinger that he must do everything possible to assure that the Sino-Soviet conflict never again becomes the Sino-Soviet orbit.
Our life and times

South African Black youth fight hated regime
by Peter Mallory and Ron Brokmeyer

“Amandla, Amandla” — “power, power” — was the chant of the thousands of South African Black youth who, armed only with rocks and hand tools, braved the police with automatic weapons in Soweto. The_paid for their bravery with guns in the hands of native African women in Sharpville burned their passes in a demand for human rights and 72 were murdered as they were being arrested. In the Soweto youth burned and gutted the pass office and other buildings of this hated white minority regime.

By June 19, two days later, the whole ring of seven Johannesburg townships — photos where the Blacks who do most of the labor of this society are isolated — exploded as people of all ages joined the youth. But it was primarily the Black youth all over the country that rose in revolt. At the University of Zimbabwe, 1,000 of 4,000 students burned to the ground the administrative headquarters of the university.

At the University of Witwatersrand, 200 miles north of Johannesburg, 2,000 students demonstrated and were attacked by police. Some sympathetic white students battled police in Johannesburg and Cape Town. In the heart of Durban a group of Blacks marched on the city’s center building. After three days a truce was called and the rebellion started up all over again in the townships around Pretoria with Black workers striking in Mabopane township for higher wages at the water works.

As if it was just a question of language, all the white officials in Pretoria could say was “Why here, where everyone speaks English in the schools?” The full story of the rebellion is yet to be told. The toll in human life is staggering. According to the government over 140, all but two being Black, were killed, and over 1,100 injured. Many of those gunned down by the butcher police were pre-teenage Black children.

As in the townships around Johannesburg, in the ghettos around Pretoria most government buildings, schools, beer halls, and offices of the Bantu administration were a target to burn, in this country where every governmental structure is designed to preserve white supremacy.

More than 2,000 Blacks are arrested each day for violations of regulations regarding internal passports or concentration camps. At any time Blacks can be sent to these concentration camps or what the head of this police state, Vorster, calls concentration camps or officer’s requisition. At any time Blacks can be sent to these concentration camps.

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Textile, clothing workers vote merger; face runaway shops, slave wages, racism

by Michael Connolly

Meeting in special conventions June 3 and 4, the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America (ACWA) and the Textile Workers Union of America (TWUA) not only voted to merge their organizations, creating the first half-million member union in the textile and clothing industry, but immediately announced a "full-scale organizing drive in the non-union bastion of the South and Southwest." The delegation also named J. P. Stevens Co.—the infamous anti-union giant which has defeated, nearly a dozen organizing attempts over the last 20 years—in the target of a nationwide boycott until a contract is achieved.

Just two weeks later, the United Farm Workers of America (UFW) announced in Delano, Calif., their merger with the Association of Farmworkers United, a predominantly Puerto Rican farmworkers organization on the East Coast.

There is no doubt that, in the case of the textile and clothing workers, the merger was inspired by the victory of the New York State textile union, which won the battle for Black leader John Lewis to be union president. It was also inspired by the fact that the unions that tried to organize the textile industry, only eight percent of the workers are now unionized.

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NY working women protest day care cutbacks

New York, N.Y.—Over 5,000 people marched along hot New York City streets from downtown City Hall to the governor's office of Gov. Carey on June 8, raising their voices high in demanding that no further cuts be made in day care centers.

Though some men were present, it was mostly Black women, Hispanic women, and many Asian women who were marching—both individually and, try as they might, to be heard. They were not students, but working women, many with their children in hand.

"Many of the clients thrown onto welfare already because of the closing of 67 day care centers within the past six months, had to take a day off from what you can, be sure are low-paying jobs, to make their protest heard against the closing of 48 more centers by the end of June."

Enormous in city politics, and snatches of political pay-off, is that something like 10 of the 48 clients slated for closing have any contact with people like herself. She said, "They wouldn't want to have anything to do with me, and I wouldn't blame them. I feel it's the kind of thing that would separate me from the people on our side by going on welfare."

There were several others whom Dempsey tried to buy off with this job. One person had been complaining because she was in Social Services, and Social Services would not help her. When Dempsey asked her if she had seen the ad, she said, "No, I just want the money to be able to get teeth." What would be missing was the march, and, up to the last, was that although some women were marching, Women's Liberation organizations were not present supporting these working class women.

Working class women in New York City do not make wages that would enable them to pay individual "baby-sitters" who in turn are mostly women who receive low wages. In the beginning of this struggle, some day care centers were "buying off" those who had spoken out. One woman who had complained under such circumstances replied that with the money she got from Social Services, she couldn't afford a reader. He went on to thank her for participating in the "labor market" (the hearings, which he also attended, that almost ended in a riot). He said, "We're always encouraged by people like you. We are the worst hit by unemployment."" (See "Women For Freedom" newsletter, June 1976, available from Women's Liberation News & Letters, Detroit.)

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Inez Garcia, the Chicana found guilty of murder for robbery and other charges, has been appealing her case for two years. Mr. Dempsey has been accusing her of raising the case. He makes me wonder if this is, in fact, "a man's world," as I have heard so many times, and nowhere more with than men. 

Way of the World

I thought then when I read of the riot at the Watergate scandal, we had enough to last for a century. Now we are seeing this sex scandal coming out of Washington and right here in Michigan, too. It makes me wonder what kind of world we live in.

There are millions of poor people in this country that are in dire need of money for themselves, and what the health-equality for them and a plan for those who cannot afford it. At the same time, Freeman seems to be trying to cut millions of people off from what little it is that see Congressmen Hays who pay a woman some $1,400 not for working but to work. Hardly any workers make that much money a year.

Some people here seem to want to uphold these men who are being arrested, and are still willing to vote for them. Not one of the leading candidates for President has said a word about it, and I think it is because of their racist nature.

Even years ago, Adam Clayton Powell was accused of the same thing, and everyone in the government had something to say against him. Hays was the leading opponent against Powell. They bounded Powell until he was safe on it. When you see the urgent needs of so many families that have to go through hell to get help and sometimes do not get help at all, and at the same time those people in Washington are wasting money, it makes you wonder what kind of world we live in.

World recession challenged by women's self-activity

Detroit, Mich.—At the May 17 hearings sponsored by Social Services here, several welfare recipients had spoken out against the cutbacks that the State has been making, especially in assistance programs, especially for the elderly and handicapped. (See "Women For Freedom" newsletter, June 1976, available from Women's Liberation News & Letters, Detroit.)

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Los Angeles, Detroit

Unions strikers denied voice in negotiations

Los Angeles, Calif.—How do we express ourselves? The company and the union have tried to cut off any dialogue among workers. They don’t want workers to discuss their common problems.

The strike we are in right now is a good example. At the local meeting, there were a lot of kids who didn’t get information. When the local union president calls the local back East, he spends a good deal of his time on things that have nothing to do with those negotiations.

Even the information that the International has printed about the strike doesn’t tell the whole story. They just elide in the fact of the union hall and not given out. And then you have the union representatives going around saying these young folks don’t understand what it is all about. But do the union officials understand what it is all about?

Some of the things that are prevalent right in the middle of the strike. Why were women taken off the picket line and put in the kitchen? Of the younger women I know, this isn’t a problem. Why couldn’t men be asked to work in the kitchen?

Why does it appear that the union leadership is removing us from a discussion of things that concern us? Why don’t we have the ability to reason for ourselves? Why?

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In South Africa they are reporting it is the worst riot since March, 1960 when 72 were killed and some 200 wounded. Some of the causes that were driving the people onto a hill, using police dogs and other brutal methods, are that planes would fly over them and gas the area and the people.

During Angola’s recent struggles to attain freedom, Mao sided with South Africa, and the Blacks who followed the line along with Mao. How can any Black in his right mind support a country where you can be shot down for violating a policy designed to keep Blacks separated from whites and to keep colored people separated as long as one is lighter skinned than another.

And the United States and condones all this because it is a form of slavery, and that is what the U.S. has had for most of its 200 years. I think that this is the 200th anniversary of the freedom of this country and the Black and Chicano workers end up having to go through things that we ourselves have gained has been taken away, and more will be taken if President Ford has anything to say about it.

They all sneer in the words: “I am for integration and freedom.” But when it comes down to the point, they don’t want it any more than the Negroes used to want it 100 years ago.

I don’t understand how we can have dialogue on the local meeting, but the union is doing nothing.

What is the 200th anniversary of the freedom of this country? And the workers who have been trying to find their own way to freedom.

It is probably true that Wayne Powell is a worse competitor for us. The company has always been trying to make us perform the same jobs, but the union that won’t even stand up to let them keep them the workers done. No one did it for the workers.

Detroit, Mich.—There are a lot of companies who are planning on moving down South or Overseas. That’s happening. At Ford, Rouge this is already happening. It is the plant that is the 200th anniversary of the freedom of this country and the Blacks and the Chicano are being run by UAW regional representative Homer Jolley.

Everyone recognizes the need for dialogue. The union, right now in the middle of the strike, is still having a dialogue with management working in the plant. They call them up. But they don’t want to have a dialogue with their workers.

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—Day-shift worker

Dodge Truck

Warren, Mich. — They have added on so many operations to this plant that you could be running a factory on this line. When an over-time, nine hours and six days. Whenever it happened to “ summarized work, go home, go to sleep, get up, and it’s time to go to work again. I am glad school is out, because a couple of mornings I just couldn’t wake up to get my kids off.

A lot of people went out on medical the past couple of weeks, not because they had anything to do with them, but because the heat in here was so bad. When the temperature inside reaches a certain point, we’re not supposed to be allowed to work there. Some of Black and Chicano and that seems to be a number of strikes against you. The tire division where most of the Black are working and up having to go through, is where they let you know as a worker where it’s at, where the areas where there are most abuse, where they hit you with everything, where we find the highest accident rate.

I want to know is it an accident that the company and its policy that the union is trying to keep the union back from running machinery on up that we can’t perform. They both are trying to get it through a plant that is not going to have a Black member of the union, right now in the middle of the strike, is still having a dialogue with management, working in the plant. They call them up. But they don’t want to have a dialogue with their workers.

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200 YEARS AFTER AMERICA'S UNFINISHED REVOLUTION

"Operation Sall", the international naval exhibition that is supposed to be a British gift to the country of the 6th century, is being run but publicly-supported clinic.

If I had but one day in which to show the extravaganza and will carry an "Esmeralda" and latter exhibition that is supposed to be a

The Smith regime in Salisbury has had over ten years since it declared its indepenנדence from Britain to avoid majority rule. Now that Angola has been "overrun" by Russian and Cuban mercenaries, the story goes, the "red challenge" are one of the most cruel and notorious of the political prisoners, who make their wish to exploit Rhodesia evident by their constuctions and resources and statistic available there. Unfortunately, the myth of kith and kin ties between Brit­ains and Rhodesia are easier to cross by being in touch with the whole of the movement from Africa as well as the Third World, and it will be even easier to do this here. What the PLO and Communist people were over­whelmedly put into office, as opposed to the Nazi-Soviet Pact.

Operation Namibia is collecting a load of books and money in London to get the African revolution to Namibia this summer. The request for help in setting up such a library was made by the Namibia National Conven­tion, an umbrella group that contains all the freedom organizations. It includes both SWAPO and SWANU. The project is aimed at supporting students and individuals around the world. Contributions to help the books to their destinations must be sent for further information can be sent to:

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CAMPUS PROTESTS

The news that the French government had failed to understand, that both Africa came on Memorial Day week-end. On Monday, when classes resumed at Wayne State University, several of us got together and talked about it. The French poem, "La Poésie Universelle" was sent to the university for that Thursday to pres­ent prizes in the French Poetry Con­test. The students broke with the protest by asking him embarrassing questions about it, about French collaboration in WW II, and about the anti-semitism in France today. In no way could we reconcile the peace with the war, that we have been talking about, with a piece of de­liberation and "aristocratic" about everything "French" (which would ever empty the garbage cans) which is a dead weight on the entire French-speaking world. The protest was well attended in the French-speaking world and all the leftists, with one exception, were rock­ing for a new society.

FIRE FROM ISRAEL ON THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT

Most of the clashes reported in the last six months—the demonstrations of school children, commercial strikes, and protest from the Arab world to involve Arab residents of the West Bank. The April 12 elections were held there, not among Israelis, as citizens, in N&L. Officially, they were non-political, con­cerned only in the municipal adminis­tration, since the military government allows no political expression, but every­thing is already in the hands of perso­nalities that are more than after the elections. Since the state is used randomly and"willy-nilly" for political purposes, there is no real freedom, and if they are to win the people's trust, they have to go back to the more collaborationist, pro-Jordan­ian policies of the previous years.

Your sentence that "the tactics of the government are playing into the hands of the other side" is characteristic of many Arab commu­nists. It implies that these two forces are the enemy and smells of gross ignorance of the situation. In this case, you are right or wrong defeatism at worst. There is no evidence that the Communists have been defeated. As for our analysis of what calls itself Communism but is, in fact, state-capitalist rule, our version is less than $650, for whites more than $7,100.

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Editor's Note: We are glad to print the news of the defeat of Fire from Is­rael. For our own views on the Arab Israeli conflict, see "Our Life and thoughts (of Detroit workers) are on behalf of America's founding fathers . . .
ARGENTINE VICTIM

On May 27, Raymundo Gleyzer, a 34-year-old film-maker who has won numerous prizes for his films, was executed in Buenos Aires, Argentina. It seems certain he is one more victim of the recent upsurge of political repression, outbursts of Stalinism in Argentina. In his book on Argentina, Morris did not mention the stand Brownmiller takes on prostitution—that there should be a move to get the laws out of the hands of the 'ladies' men' rather than the 'ladies themselves.—but I think this stand, fairly common among feminists, reflects the same argument rungs on the phenomenon of the American Indian Movement, is calling for a national day of action to protest against the National Labor Relations Board's decision to permit the company to operate without a union. The union's demand for the right to form a union, is being opposed by the company, which is seeking to have the workers return to their jobs without any recognition of the union.

WORKERS OF THE WORLD

Just when the flu is hitting low income communities, and long waiting list for routine care and surgery continues. It is not only that inflation and unemployment are rising, but that in Britain one of the first symptoms of the recession is affecting the working class. The most significant indicator is the rising cost of living (what about the long wages?) In the US, the average family is spending more for the same amount of goods and services. The average family is spending more for the same amount of goods and services than ever before. Prices are rising faster than wages, and the gap between the two is widening. The cost of living is rising. Guyanese workers worked harder and got a lower standard of living.

LIFE IN QUEBEC

The conditions of life here in Quebec have changed greatly. The State, as the biggest employer, is trying to make the greater and greater productivity out of fewer workers. And it is in the public sector that unrest is greatest now. In the hospitals they now want "a monobloc clause" in the contract, to enable them to pay for each hospital. They are holding hands and living off of their wages. The State is trying to have the workers accept this. But that in Britain one of the first symptoms of the recession is affecting the working class. The most significant indicator is the rising cost of living (what about the long wages?) In the US, the average family is spending more for the same amount of goods and services. The average family is spending more for the same amount of goods and services than ever before. Prices are rising faster than wages, and the gap between the two is widening. The cost of living is rising. Guyanese workers worked harder and got a lower standard of living.

LEONARD PELTIER

Leonard Peltier, a leader of the American Indian Movement, is facing extradition from British Columbia to the U.S. on a trumped-up murder charge. Peltier was arrested in 1975 when a law that states no fugitive is liable to surrendered if the alleged offense of a person becomes obsolete because of a change in circumstances, is partly of systematic political retribution.

The federal minister of justice will make the final decision on Peltier's case. The government, which is defending the Peltier Defense Committee, is expected to argue that Peltier's extradition is in the public interest. The government has been seeking the extradition of Peltier for over a year, and has made several attempts to secure his return to the U.S. The government argues that Peltier's extradition is necessary for the protection of the public.

RACISM

With the primary elections over, it looks like Carter will represent the Democrats this fall. What difference does it make whether Ford or Reagan represent the Republics? The choice for the people is to pick a president who will be free from the control of two racist political parties.

The racists have adopted new tactics to fight the Democrats, such as the "limited" strike, which is not a full strike but is instead a reduced strike. The strike is a way for the racists to try to get their way, but it is also a way for the workers to fight back. The racists are trying to divide the workers and to weaken the workers' power. The workers must fight back and make the racists pay for their actions.

The unions are hardly worth anything, and despite all the big publicity and the high membership figures, the "limited" strike is a failure. The unions are no longer a force to be reckoned with, and the workers must take the lead in the struggle for their rights. The unions are not the answer to the workers' problems, and the workers must take control of their own destiny.

One alarming development is the illusion of workers "selling out" to management. This illusion is created by the media, which is controlled by the government. The workers are the people who are really in control, and they must take the lead in the struggle for their rights. The workers must be aware of the media's role in deceiving them, and they must not be misled by the illusion of workers "selling out" to management.

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Blacks, whites, join march to free Gary Tyler

Detroit, Mich.—On June 13, I attended a rally and march to Free Gary Tyler at Central Methodist Church. About 100 people were there—Black, white and many high school students. It was a very exciting demonstration.

The speakers included Gary Tyler’s mother, Mrs. Juanita Tyler, and Gary’s younger brother, Gary Jr. Tyler thanked everyone for coming and asked for a chance to tell her son. She said that she knew there were many others in situations just like Gary’s—facing the death penalty. Gary’s brother told how he committed Gary to alcohol seven years ago. Gary is in Louisiana, and the way the police have harassed them there.

Another speaker was Mrs. Rosa Parks, of the Montgomery Bus Boycott. She said that when she heard about Gary’s march, she telephoned the NAACP to find out what had happened. She is very excited.

I know just what she meant. When I was growing up, there was a race just like that. They have been killing young Black men for all my life and long before.

After the rally we marched to the Detroit News

Hostos coalition based on campus, community activity

(We received the following letter on June 10 from a Queens College student who has been active in the continuing protests opposing cutbacks at the City University of New York [CUNY].—Ed.)

New York, N.Y.—This week has been a busy one at CUNY, since they closed the campuses after imposing new restrictions on political demonstration. At this point all the campuses are still closed, but June 9 there was a great march at City Hall of almost 10,000 that are calling for the(decoded)

On June 8 there was an even better march for day care, where working mothers and community groups turned out to show the city and the students that they won’t even have to officially close Hostos, as that can be had by simply going 300 feet without any notice.

The hope now is that there will be more takeovers as the month progresses. There were some Hostos students demanding restrictions on union activities in the college, which will close students in Hostos at that march too, as well as at the Puerto Rican Day march.

CUTS AIMED AT MINORITIES

It’s clear to all the students there that the cutbacks are not going to stop. They are just trying to out-run the Hispanics out of college altogether. Someone told me that it cost $4 million to close Hostos and $3.7 million to keep it open. Needless to say, with tuition they won’t even have to officially close Hostos, as that can be had by simply going 300 feet without any notice.

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Since the campuses are closed there has to be a way to get information on what’s going on. This sort of group of students, called the Coalition, is working on getting free phone lines. —(Hostos students not only have formed the community coalition but they worked hard to build yesterday’s rally, and I doubt the rally could have occurred without them. The takeover at Staten Island, which started June 9, is also a sign that things are moving very quickly.)

Latina Collective raises problems of working women

New York, N.Y.—A conference called by the Latin Women’s Collective on June 12 drew some 200 women and men together to discuss labor, education, health, and related problems of women. In working class Latin women, the group hopes to concretize its ideas in future activities and invited those at the conference to join them.

The year-old Collective presented its research, including facts about employment in factories, where women are mostly exploited, and service work. They are low-paid, and either not unionized or in fact, unionized only by the unions, in the garment industry, where many Latin women work, they often cannot even see their union contracts. The discussion on how to approach and involve factory workers was heated.

At a workshop on education, topics ranged from the problems caused by the enormous cut-backs of child care by the City and what alternatives can be had, to bilingual education, and mothers as students. The women discussed helping your child to think critically, dealing with machismo in the family, and working on the phenomenon of illiteracy in the community.

A session on health took up birth control, abortion, sterilization and its abuse, and nutrition. The Collective believes that working class women are the most abused and exploited, but that their struggles are not isolated from other workers around the world.

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Nelson Small Sr. Legs Jr. gave life to protest conditions

Nelson Small Sr. Jr., a 23 yr. old Indian leader, was killed by police gunfire with a .303 caliber rifle, on Sunday, May 16. He left three notes explaining his reasons for killing himself. He stated that he had present conditions concerning the Indian people of southern Alberta. He also gave life in the hope of a full-scale investigation into the Department of Indian Affairs corruption, and also the resignation of Judd Buchanan, Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, and the divide-and-conquer tactics of the Department.

The funeral was held on Friday, May 23 in Brocket, Alberta on the Pelican reserve. About nine hundred people attended the funeral, including AIM leaders from all across Canada. Dennis Banks was to have been a pall-bearer but was too ill to come. And was even threatened with arrest if he crossed the border despite Indian rights of free passage specified in the 1793 Jay Treaty.

Two days before he died, Nelson Small Sr. Jr., spoke at the Berger Commission hearings on the MacKenzie Valley pipeline. Small Sr. Jr. was forced by the Canadian government to investigate native land claims and to find out how the pipeline will affect the native way of life. Many native people were convinced that the breakdown in the traditional way of life that the southern native Canadians experienced a hundred years ago could result in the same outcome if the pipeline is approved. Many of the natives feel that the Berger report is just the last hope to stop the destruction of their land and culture.

Nelson Small Sr. Legs gave the people’s desperation when he said to Mr. Justice Berger that his people did not need a pipeline to bring down their land. He said, “We will take up anything to defend ourselves, our wives, our culture and our spirits.”

PIPILINE PLANS SET

Nelson Small Sr. Legs Jr. death made me remember and feel again some of the day-to-day hardships and frustrations that I felt when I lived on my reservation. I talked to a man who has worked with the Canadian AIM and knew Nelson Small Sr. Jr. He said:

“I can see why Nelson was depressed. In the room where the body was held, the sign on the door said ‘Out of bounds’. people can see what planning they do to do and no matter what’s said the hearers are big oil companies will do what they want to anyway.”

I read a clipping from a Canadian paper that quoted mayor Rod Sykes of Calgary, Alberta. He said: “I am amazed that Canadians have tolerated so far and even financed the talking about land claims and compensation claims by people who would in many cases rather talk than work.” The man who sent the clipping said that he thought that many of the white Canadians felt somewhat the same way. That’s a familiar but frightening thought.

Nelson Small Legs’ death will most certainly make people a lot more aware of what’s really going on with regard to the Mackenzie Valley pipeline. I talked with a man in my neighborhood who has been working on the pipeline for the past few summers. He said: “I’ve been impressed with the technology and the amount of money that’s being spent, but I’ve never understood. I never thought about what it was doing to the people of the area. It’s because this is my first summer that I guess I’ll have a lot more to think about this summer.”

Finally, I think that the Canadian government must have made up its mind to build the pipeline, and for the thousands of natives to halt construction, they have only themselves to blame. I feel that the cause that Nelson Small Sr. Jr. legs and the other Canadians are fighting for is a very important one. The cause for freedom, for freedom of the Canadian and American Indians together. It shouldn’t have to be that way. We should be working together for our freedom that we will see any changes to that can work at all.

READERS: DO YOU HAVE A STORY TO TELL? SEND IT IN!
Workers aim 'quiet rebellion' at GM, union bureaucrats

By Felix Marlin, West Coast Editor

In the last few weeks there has been a quiet rebellion going on within my plant. The first realization of this came when the votes were counted in the shop committee election. Any official with opposition was voted out of office. Last night was the first night this week that the company didn't have to shut down the shop line for relief. But this doesn't mean that the worker isn't being resisted.

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Textile, clothing workers vote merger

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If it was not until Black workers refused to wait for labor to do what it was told to do that this civil rights move­ment that new union drives, by Black and white workers, began to appear in places, like Charleston, S.C., Selma, Ala., and Cambridge, Md., it is racism that U.S. capitalism has turned to in time of crisis. The fact that racism is precisely what is being whipped into a frenzy nationwide in this presidential election year. There are the daily verbal attacks by racists and anti-racists. Over all three candidates term "forced busing." They have encouraged the employment of Black students in white schools, like Charleston, S.C., Selma, Ala., and Cambridge, Md., and it is racism that U.S. capitalism has turned to in time of crisis. The fact that racism is precisely what is being whipped into a frenzy nationwide in this presidential election year. There are the daily verbal attacks by racists and anti-racists. Over all three candidates term "forced busing." 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The international community is shocked by the butchery of this regime. What was revealed again is the nature of the criminality of South African Blacks that are openly in motion, a total revolution—there is nothing but the surface of this society just because it is so totally deprived.

It took the South African economy over two years to recover from the flight of investment after the Sharpeville massacre. That was before the national liberation movement in Mozambique and Angola and before revolutionaries in Namibia (South West Africa) and Zimbabwe (Rhodesia) for the core of this whole society is a savage white racism—if only one ignored that this society still illegally dominates Namibia, still need the line to Ian Smith's land-locked Rhodesia, still exploit black labor from all over Southern Africa. The demand for black South African youth has called into question the whole future of Southern Africa just as Washington has had to gain international respectability as a "statesman" of segregation by meeting Kensington in Germany. And it has brought home just Pragmatism in South Africa, whose racist form is the basis of its being such a magnet for international investment, is to the liberation of all of Africa.

Kissinger spoke and, along with others, focused on human rights violations in Chile and one other country, Cuba, which is in every part of the OAS. But it was mentioned as if Cuba’s detention of political dissidents being outside the U.S. sphere of influence. The OAS even endorsed U.S. policies.

By focusing on Chile as a special problem, Kissinger is hiding the role of the U.S. in underwriting one of the most organized and brutal police states in Latin America. Amnesty International reports that in addition to Chile, the incarceration and torture of political prisoners is a systematic and regular practice in other Latin American countries like Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay. The Israelis in Paraguay, where a genocidal policy against the Ache Indians has reduced their population from 10,000 to one language of their choice. But the Black African leaders who have moved away from their own masses and have been bought off generally with a few bags of gold, and western powers like the United States and France who were competing with each other to see who could give Vorster the most assistance.

The young native Africans have totally under­

stood that Vorster is a fraud. This detente was grounded on the idea that South Africa could be treated as a special nation, that specific powers were being granted just because the core of this whole society is a savage white racism—if only one ignored that this society still illegally dominates Namibia, still need the line to Ian Smith's land-locked Rhodesia, still exploit black labor from all over Southern Africa. The demand for black South African youth has called into question the whole future of Southern Africa just as Washington has had to gain international respectability as a "statesman" of segregation by meeting Kensington in Germany. And it has brought home just Pragmatism in South Africa, whose racist form is the basis of its being such a magnet for international investment, is to the liberation of all of Africa.
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ed) from the Portuguese Revolution of 1974 to the Chinese Revolution of 1949, and then with Mao’s China itself, and the revolutionary offensive challenged the Single State Party rule, then what consolidated in the new revolution? The revolutionary leadership (not to mention Indian who never had a social revolution), was to maintain state-capitalist rule, no matter what the cost. It is this revolutionary perspec­tive that Mao should be the next stage of humanity’s development. His “revolutionary” perspectives, as, in 1960, he began to stage his offensive against the “capitalist” movement, ran under the euphemism that, since Russia was no longer the only “Socialist” country, there was no movement that was not only anti­

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13 ibid, pp.246, 311 and 313.  
14 New Portuguese Letters, published here as The Three  
Men, was one of the most significant literary events which  
disclosed the deep undercurrents of revolts before the April,  
1974, military coup.  
15 In addition to our special supplement, “Can The Revolu­tion in Portugal Advance?” (News & Letters, Jan-Feb, 1976)  
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revolution by a Spanish revolutionary exile, Wibaldo  
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In the bicentennial year of American Independence,  
this summer, America is completing its “century” of  
the American revolution. It is the untold story of the  
true creators of independence, the workers, the yeo­ 
manry, the peasants.  

Official “histories” always systematically distort the  
facts in favor of the ruling class, and this is particularly  
true of the biographies written by “leaders” of the party  
concerned with “leaders” guiding an ignorant mob to­  
wards a “new constitution.” Forgotten is the mass par­ 
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ment of British forces, and although unarmed were shot  
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When TOTAL WAR eventually came, it was the  
militia, in many respects the first ever “guerrilla” army,  
which became the decisive arm of the revolution. And  
they are not mere harbingers of the new global  
revolution. In the last Congress of the World  
Council of People’s Revolutionaries, held in 1969,  
they were represented by 20,000 representatives from  
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Our conclusion is that the American people are ready  
for world revolution. This is their revolution, and  
their vision will be realized in their lifetime.  

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The Party accompanied by the specification of itself as The Leadership needed, will hardly either be decisive for the actual struggle against international capitalist's intrusion into the civil war in Portugal, or help in filling the philosophic void. Each, by itself, remains narrow, one-sided, self-idealizing. No one can tell which will precipitate the extinction of the revolutionary potentials there, but a new Marxist banner of total freedom that will not tolerate the separation of philosophy of liberation from the actual freedom is an indispensable first step.

Thus, at a time when it is not only international capital which is helping Portuguese capital, but also the powerful CP and Soares' mouthing of phrases for socialism and of the strike-breaking activity of the CP and Social Democratic orbits.

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Where the Socialist Party, at first, had the greatest mass support in Portugal both because of the CP's policy (22) of "change in government" and Soares' mouthing of phrases for socialism and proletarian democracy, all it now has to offer is "reform" and "totalization," instead of an alternative to the capitalist state.

The CP's 1971 Congress, as well as its recent tactics, have been attempts to recoup its dominance, nor something so concrete and minor as if that meant proletarian de-

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