Visage of genocide in U.S. Black health crisis

by Lou Turner

HAVING survived the crises of slavery, racial segregation and lynching, Black people now find themselves stricken by AIDS, hypertension, cancer, heart disease, pervasive drug addiction, high infant and maternal mor­tality rates, as well as high rates of violent deaths. Black health in the U.S. subsists at Third World levels. 

The horrifying public executions being carried out in China by the Deng Xiaoping/Li Peng dictatorship are gruesome proof that the reign of terror launched in the streets of Beijing on June 4 is not over. The Tiananmen Square massacre has only just begun.

This capitalistic regime daring to call itself Communist murdered and wounded thousands of workers and students that night—running tanks over protesters and immediately burning their crushed bodies, shooting fleeing Beijing residents in the back and then entering hospitals to pull life-support systems out of their vic­tims. It is now continuing a campaign of counter-revolu­tion and subsequent repression that ended the Paris Masses and the terror the Chinese rulers have unleashed against them. By no accident it has been the workers and unemployed, not only in Beijing, but in Shanghai, who were first to be tried, executed and died.

The movement was by no means limited to Beijing. Not only did students from other parts of the country travel to Beijing, but there were reports of peasants coming into the city to join the protesters, while other protests sprang up in province after province. There were huge demonstrations and strikes in Shanghai, China's largest and most industrial city. In Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province, tens of thousands participated in protests which were put down in blood shortly after Tiananmen Square was invaded.

The burned out hulks of tanks and armored personnel carriers, of destroyed buildings and charred troop trains, not alone in Beijing, but in Shanghai and other cities, speaks volumes about the resistance to the armed crackdown mounted by those armed only with stones, sticks, Molotov cocktails and often only with their bare hands.

THE U.S. AND RUSSIA MANEUVER VIA CHINA

In face of the courage of the revolutionary Chinese masses and the terror the Chinese rulers have unleashed against them, we witness President Bush's meek and hypocritical "condemnation" of the continuing bloodshed.

Whatever few words of sympathy for the Tiananmen Square protestors he has chosen to utter, they have not been out of any kinship with the genuine democracy they demanded, or with the class demands that the freedom movement was seeking but could not articulate just as it was crushed. Rather, Bush's determinant is both the investment of American capital within China and the superpower politics of U.S.-based China-U.S. 

Gorbachev's concern with China also revolves around superpower politics. It was his attempt to transform the decades-long Sino-Soviet conflict into a new Sino-Soviet superpower politics of U.S. dominance. And as more women are infected with the virus, the social worker is... pediatric AIDS coordinator of Einstein-Weiler Hospital in the Bronx, and she is talking about mothers of children born with HIV/human immunodeficiency virus). By definition, these women are infected themselves, and so they must worry about their own health, about the health of their young children, and also, inevitably, about who will outlive whom. Who will care for an HIV-positive child after the mother's death?

"There is no way to walk off the damn—ultimately, AIDS will affect every segment of the population—but increasingly, it is becoming a disease of poverty, of the inner city, a disease of intrusive drug users and their sexual partners. And so more women are infected with the virus, pediatric cases of AIDS are becoming increasingly common in New York. People who have the disease, June 18, 1989)."

The feminist notion that women must take control of their bodies and their lives has taken root among poor women of color and among Latino women in particular, who are particularly vulnerable to HIV infection due to the high rate of date rape, especially amongst poor, working class women.
Feminist thought: stuck in post-Marxist Marxism?

by Terry Moon

Women in Political Theory: From Ancient Misogyny to Contemporary Feminism

Contradictions at women's studies meeting

Tucson, Ariz.—Nearly 2,000 women converged at the University of Arizona for the annual National Women's Studies Association (NWSA) conference on women's studies and the new feminist masculinity.

A wide variety of hand-lettered signs indicated that the participants were not there to hear a decision on whether to overturn Roe vs. Wade. The rally was called by the Illinois Campaign for Choice and included a wide variety of speakers, including a Catholic doctor from Cook County Hospital. One speaker drew roaring agreement when she said the anti-abortionists believe that life begins at conception but ends at birth.

The annual contingent of 50 to 100 anti-life demonstrators also showed up, and were solidly drowned out. I kept wondering why they were always such a small minority, and never produced an event of the size of those who want to keep our limited options at bay. Yet, the media has always attacked American women who are or less equally divided on this issue. They call it "balanced coverage." I call it a lie.

The wide variety of hand-lettered signs indicated that everyone is taking this attack on our basic rights very personally. Signage included: "We Stand for Life," "Women's right to information." Women's groups continue to fight the battle all over again 20 years later. I'm sure the next battle all over again 20 years later. I'm sure the next.

Women's rights groups in Williamsburg, Va. have forced William and Mary College to help the increasing number of women around the world who want to keep our limited options at bay.

Mary Jo Grey

Two Pakistani-based organizations, Women's Action Forum and Women Living Under Muslim Laws, are appealing for worldwide support for women being committed against women in Afghanistan by some Mujahideen groups, who say they have the right to take the women of a captured territory as slaves. Hundreds of women around Jalalabad, where intense fighting has been going on, have recently been captured, raped and forced to become slave- women. The latest Supreme Court issues its newest edict within the next few days, we must all face the question: What happens after?

"Our Generation Won't Accept This Choice," Kollwitz
**Support Pittston strike!**

Workers vs. the Plan

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Marxist-Humanist Archives

By Raya Dunayevskaya

Editor's note: In the wake of the Chinese government's current assault on freedom, and with news reports from China, we here reprint Raya Dunayevskaya's August-September, 1989 essay, "China's revolt forced underground," in which she analyzes the recent events that have been occurring in China, including the class divide separating China's rulers from the masses and the possibility for a new revolution.

The 35,000-word document: “Certain Questions on the History of Our Party,” is a rewrite of the entire history of the Chinese Communist Party, from the anti-imperialist struggle to the Cultural Revolution for the-in-a-class-divide separating China's rulers from the masses and the possibility for a new revolution.

"This is exactly what happened both in Stalin's Russia and in Mao's China. This Deng Xiaoping is attributing to the "Cultural Revolution," is making sure at the same time that the alleged Left policies of exaggeration of the class struggles in "socialist" China are blanketed over with the "distribution of the means of consumption" in a supposedly socialist society as "bourgeois right."" After those "errors" the Resolution, "Whither China?" speaks to us powerfully in 1989: "Like private capitalism, Chinese state-capitalism is suffering from what the Chinese like to refer to as "great troubles under heaven." That is to say, class struggle. Deng may feel confident that, now that he has destroyed "Democracy Wall" and arrested the new youth leaders, the youth will peacefully co-exist with him. The truth is he has not destroyed them; he has only driven them underground.

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The Democracy movement: movement, brutality, repression, resistance

Hunger Strike at Tiananmen

Editor's note: In May, as students went on hunger strike in Tiananmen Square, they issued a declaration. Below we print excerpts from this statement.

In this sunny May, we are on hunger strike. In this best youth moment, we have the greatest passion, all the beauty of life behind us, and no matter how unwilling and regretful we are.

Yet our country has reached such a stage of spiraling inflation, full of nepotistic economic control, the Government, unprincipled economic control, inflation, and the public's suffering are in self-style overseas, increasing social chaos. At this moment of life and death of our nation, we, our comrades, all those who have a consciousness, please listen to our cries!

We wish to request all those Chinese with integrity, every worker, farmer, soldier, communique, intellectual, celebrity, government official, policeman, and those who concord the terms of our crime, to put your hands on your hearts, once ask your consciousness, what is our crime? Are we the upheaval all these? Nevertheless, our sentiments have been repeatedly manipulated, our enduring of hunger in pursuit of the truth resulted in merciless hitting by military control. Student representatives kneeling for demobilization have been harshly treated. The requests for an ongoing dialogue between independent students and government officials have been delayed again and again. The student leaders are now in danger. What can we do?

We want all to have a peaceful heart. Freedom is an in-born human right. When they have to exchange our young lives, is it truly the pride of the Chinese nation?

Hunger strike is our last resort, and the only resort. By eating our life, we are not fighting for our lives. But for our lives, we are all children! Mother China, please look at your sons and daughters seriously. When we eat, we are truly dieting.

Maoist Reaction?

We are the people. With our anger, the government has never realized a decision. "Riot," immediate redress! Immediate dialogue, no more delay! Hunger strike for the people is not our standing dialogue with the students. Secondly, to protest against the remote attitude adopted by the government towards the hunger strike.

With Beijing workers

I was concerned not only with the students but with the workers, and spent several days talking with them. Since May 3 they insisted on inviting the students on marches. At the beginning some students wanted to keep their Square ranks as a pure student movement and didn't want the workers to join them. But workers were at Tiananmen Square, although with no tents and no food provided.

The workers wanted to develop their own autonomous union, because it is their daily lives which were affected by the government reforms. They had practical, down-to-earth demands.

During June 3 when the soldiers began to kill citizens on the west side of Tiananmen Square, both workers and students went to try and rescue people. More people were killed on the street than were killed in the Square. It was especially workers who were killed. They had set up many of the barricades by driving buses to block streets.

Workers have contributed a lot to the movement, but the mass media in the U.S. has ignored workers. They ask where are the student leaders, but not about the workers and the citizens. Yet at this moment, workers are more dangerous to the government than the students.

We should be sad, but also grateful to those who died. They made the world know that democracy, human rights and freedom are so important.

Chai Ling, Student leader

Chai Ling, a leader of the student movement, on June 11, 1989, published a transcript. Major excerpts from the transcript appear below.

After 19 PM, our Command called everybody that April, when the students went on a mass hunger strike, part of a patriotic student movement, and into May when the movement was broadened into a democratic movement, our principle has always been peaceful demonstration. The highest principle of our struggle is peace. A lot of fellow workers, we sang the Internationale and we sat on the steps of the monument, we asked for workers' rights, we asked for protecting the square to have a stable electoral system, we asked which side the government was on, we asked where are the student leaders, but not about the workers and the citizens. Yet at this moment, workers are more dangerous to the government than the students.

We all knew that this democratic peaceful movement has peace as our highest principle and we didn't want it to end with fellow students using sticks and bottles to fight those armed with bayonets, tanks, and guns, to sacrifice ourselves. That's how we were, we said, we would not run away. I told them a very old story.

There was an ant hill with one billion ants. One day the ants heard of the soldiers' order: for the 1st row ant the soldiers would cut off heads, may be cut off heads, our blood may be pledge our young lives to the defense of motherland, for the prosperity of our country, to prevent a small group of counter-revolutionaries to use their great motherland, to prevent our one billion population from white terror, I please, take up arms and some of us were quite agitation. Our command said to those: we are here for peaceful demonstration, the highest principle of peace is to sacrifice ourselves. That's how we were, we linked hands, shoulder to shoulder, we came out of our tents, we were singing the International and we sat on the steps of the monument, we asked for workers' rights, we asked for protecting the square to have a stable electoral system, we asked which side the government was on, we asked whether to stay or to leave. It was decided that we peace is to sacrifice ourselves. That's how we were, we said, we would not run away.

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Phone calls from China

Beijing, June 4—In Moxidi (a place close to Tiananmen Square) several hundred people were fighting against the soldiers of the 27th Army. The army started with soldiers bearing special badges on the arms, followed by soldiers with protective masks and anti-riot weapons. At first the army threw stones and fired tear gas. Around midnight, they started firing.

With fierce gunfire, people were lying all over the street. At this point people could not resist any more, and they divided themselves into small groups while backing up or looking for places on the way. They were so brave that they still shouted: "Down with Fascism!" The army was butchering the people. A deadly hail of bullets killed all the ants. A lot of people sought safety underground, but the crazy troops fired randomly into the crowd, the soldiers were piled up like a hill.

The soldiers were killed by the brutal crackdown. There were still some people coming out to fight. After the 27th Army, the soldiers of another Army are also soldiers, good, they said they would not fire at people. Some of them even provided the masses with bulks, grenades and tear gas. Some people who used to be in the army drove tanks and army carriers to the side of the road and set a fire. During the night, there were as many as 30-40 army trucks set on fire.

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China has a "non-communist" government—it is a fascist government. I want Americans to know that we fight against this government, not against Marxism. I am a Marxist, a Humanist. When I was in Beijing I attended meetings where Marxism was discussed on alienation and humanism were discussed because this government is totally opposed to Marx's ideas. In exile from China Wisconsin

Does true freedom exist anywhere in the world? I look at what the students were doing in Tiananmen Square, and I think, the freedom there... but, it was only momentary. How do we make it permanent? What the students were doing represented freedom of speech... But it seems to me many students come from the elite. When the workers are involved, they are the ones who are most threatened to the government.

Chinese student New York City

I read Raya Dunayevskaya's "The Challenge of the May 1989 Uprising in China," and found it quite accurate. I had heard of the designation of state-capitalism, but not of this in China. One thing I am sure about is that China is not Marxism. Do the people want freedom, beginning with freedom of speech and the press? I don't think our work can work without the workers. There are many different views about the Chinese revolution. But most of us agree that the U.S. system is not what we want. At this point, what we need is a better understanding and discussion about different ideas of freedom.

Young Chinese woman Illinois

Editor's note: The Chinese translation of "The Challenge of May 1989 Uprising in China," reprinted in the June issue of N&L on "The Third Attitude Toward Objectivity" and "Internationalism in relation to Organization," was translated by visiting University of Chicago students. This article was published in Chinese in the June issue of N&L on "The Third Attitude Toward Objectivity" and "Internationalism in relation to Organization." We have felt that this problem might be caused by the lack of a very important component of political philosophy and theory. But our objectives are mainly curtailed by the shortages of literature that could revolutionize the people's minds and make them act in a revolutionary way. If you think this way, we're not the people we are now. We have to be more aware of the ideas of revolution. If there was no revolution, there would be no freedom. If there was no freedom, there would be no revolution. That is what we need to do.

Raya Dunayevskaya Los Angeles

Arise, ye prisoners of starvation! Arise, ye wretches of the earth, For justice than human condemnation. A better world's in birth.

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There is a division of thought and work. If my labor in the plant is defined as manufacturing coffee beans, then working as meaningful, you can see why workers hesitate to limit their demands for the fruits of their labor. We haven't yet defined work for ourselves. We have to redefine work.

Steel worker

Detroit

The analyses in the bourgeois press on the situation in the "Communist" world are ridiculous. They do correctly see the economic crisis in those "communist" countries—China, Poland, Hungary or Russia. But they act as if there's no economic crisis in the Third World—specifically, Africa, Latin Ameri­ca, Venezuela—and right here in the U.S., where there's justified contempt for the situation in the "Communist" world. I used to work us until we dropped. I am still thinking about the question, "What is revolution in America?" I used to work on Skid Row, but found that many of the men there still believed that if only they could "get it together," everything would be all right. I thought that charity is not an answer, the no-questions-asked answer. Now we must wear these long-sleeved work shirts. The material's special conductive material that does not breathe. The general foreman came back from lunch last week to find 12 blouses on his desk. And the Afro-Asian Revolutions between the U.S. and Africa," by Raya Dunayevskaya (August 1977 to May 1984) $20.00

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Directory Editor

Indiana

SHUTTING DOWN THOUGHT AT WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

It was shocking to learn that the administrators of Washington University in St. Louis have decided to shut down their Sociology Department, known for many years as one of the most Marxian and critical thought. Apparently the Univer­sity has decided to go instead completely for the Chicago School. During the 1960s and 1970s several departments were shut down, including an Alvin Golderman taught there. The John Talos, in those days still on the University of Chicago's faculty, was a member of the Sociology Department. Most important was the fact that the Sociology Department invited Raya Dunayevskaya there in the 1980s for a week as a Visiting Scholar, where she held very well-attended lectures and had media appearances on her book-in-progress, Philosophy and Revolution. It was exciting to see this type of example of the university bureaucrats to begin whittling down the department, once a large and nationally known one, to the point where today they are actually abolishing it.

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Black/Red View

Court guts civil rights

by John Alan

It should come as no surprise that the Reagan major­
ity on the U.S. Supreme Court would eventually begin to act by over­riding the pressure of the Black mass Civil Rights Mov­
ement. A point of identity can be seen in the senseless mur­
der of the Black Union cavalrymen bring in Confederate prisoners during Civil War.

RACISM OF 'REVERSE RACISM'

For example, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was supposed to require employers to make a good faith effort that would wipe out discrimination in employment, and was virtually interpreted by the Burger Court to mean the prolongation of reverse racism. The point is to generate more support within the Black commu­nity and to reach our goal. The bourgeois-controlled Free South Africa Movement where these differences are covered over. To express the bankrupt concept of the Democratic Party.

Debate on South Africa

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FIGHT FOR DEMOCRACY—CHINA, U.S.

There is some truth in Richard Cohen's contention, in the present situation, that there is a struggle for control of the ANC. But the right means "the Second Reconstruction period has ended and we have to work for a new political and social system..."

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Visage of genocide in U.S. Black health crisis

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ALIENATION VS. BLACK SELF-DETERMINATION

The fact that more than 35 million Americans lack and form of medical insurance means a third of these children lack insurance due to family poverty. The Black babies dying at rates comparable to the poorest Third World countries.

"The baby's death was one of 20 that has pushed the perinatal mortality rate (the number of infant deaths within 7 days of birth) at the University of Illinois Hospitals from an average of 10 deaths per thousand for the first four months of 1990, up from 5.5 in the first four months of 1989 and calculated at the low rate of 11.6 in all of 1989." (Chicago Tribune, June 15, 1989)

Developer's propaganda of government subsidized community health care agencies who claim that the insur-ance snare does not lead to the high mortality rates of health care is national at the same average and three times the rate of white babies. Where hospitals and health centers abandon poor Black communities, community health centers have closed due to severe financial problems. The effect, in any case, has shown that the main cause of the Black infant mortality rate is on the rise in every major urban area.

"A baby girl, weighing barely 3 pounds, was born that af-ternoon and died three days later. The autopsy showed that congenital syphilis had created damage that would have left the baby blind and deaf if her mother had been treated with antibiotics early in her pregnancy.

The once self-sufficient agriculture has reached the bankruptcy of the Black. Whole communities, community health centers and hospitals throughout the South have closed, and the Black infant mortality rate is on the rise in every major urban area.

"The Black infant mortality rate has increased by 20% in the last four years. While the mortality rate has increased 12% for white babies in the U.S., the rate for Black babies is double that rate.

"There are 19 out of 100 Black births that result in death before the baby is born, compared to 8 out of 100 white births.

"The government's fear of public outburst was quite justified. The decade-long retrogressive rule of Kho-meini failed in political, economic, social and military aspects. The top 2% of the nation controls 72% of its wealth, the bottom 40% owns only 3%. The middle class has been ruined with high prices, vast shortages and unemployment. In a country of 53 million, official unemploy-ment is 10%, but the 'real' unemployment is a 'big issue. 7%
The once self-sufficient agriculture has reached the state where Iran now qualifies for special status accorded former enemy nations. Even the health services have diminished. Ten months after the war ended.

GENUINE REVOLUTION IS NEEDED

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What direction for post-Khomeini Iran

Khomeini's death on June 3 was followed by a "mini blood-coup" in which the most reactionary faction, led by Ahmad Khomeini, gained control over the government and the faction led by Rafsanjani, Speaker of the House, and Khamenei, the President, with-out a fight. This fact, coupled with the excessive cancer experiences of Blacks, suggests occupation may likely account for the higher rate of assignment of Blacks to death by cancer.

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Economy of Gulf War

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The voices of Chinese in the United States

The enthusiasm of the students seen throughout the week, during the violent scenes and events around the Chinese Consulate. The universal cry was: "Death to the Fascists, Long Live the People." I read, "The people in the front lines died; we are behind coming.

San Francisco, Cal.—The June 4 massacre in Beijing brought out a spontaneous outpouring of 30,000 the following day to protest in favor of China's Consulate in San Francisco. Although the crowd was large, Chinese many non-Chinese came to show solidarity among Americans, Polish Solidarity members, and supporters, and Americans of all varieties. Everyone wanted not only to express their revulsion at the brutal-ity of the Chinese government but to "do something" to continue the struggle, to not let the students die in vain. Many signs expressed disgust with Bush's hesitancy to do, or even say, anything about the crisis. The crowd was yelling "the whole world is watching." The demonstration lasted and many with new people constantly joining it.

The Chinese students wanted to pass out material in English to those driving by who slowed down to honk or stopped and got out of their cars to join the demonstration. One of them, in front of a newsstand, biographing the wave of Saturday the 5th, announcing a meeting that week on "China in Revolt and the Idea of Freedom," to pass out. People were lining up to buy the June issue of News & Letters until we added all copies. Our meeting on the Berkeley campus brought 50 people not only to hear the latest

I was thinking that Bush would do something more, to send the Chinese government a message and地球 pressure. But after I watched his news conference, I saw he was just doing it formally. He just wants to keep the good relationship with China, and keep his friendship with Deng, Bush said he didn't know whether we should do this or not. I'm not sure whether he know this? This is the Chinese government that has done this, ordered the army to shoot the people. I feel very sad for Australia country. In China there are two cases of butchery. One was during World War II, when the Japanese troops were out hunting and murdered the people. The other is the second time in Chinese history. In China before 1976, everyone was supposed to listen only to Mao Zedong and follow him. But after 1976, China was more open to the world. The stu- dents have a right to free speech and dialogue is correct as a first step to ideological change—each new event will bring new concepts, new ways of thinking to the whole population. When the level of consciousness of the whole reaches that of Doomsday, a revolution is over. But I want to look at this in relationship to 1949, to see both the con-tradiction and the development. In '69 China used Marxism from the West against the West, to assert na- tional identity, while at the same time this was a revol against Deng Xiaoping. I

—Beijing University transfer student, New York

I was so proud when the students protested for de-mocracy. As a famous Chinese writer put it, we have a right to dream in China, but we haven't had a right to say. I want to cry, I want to cry for the Chinese people because "con-science" is so important to us. Even soldiers expressed it. When an armored personnel carrier refused to drive over the troops, some soldiers stuck a flag out of the window, "Overthrow the system!" One sign, in Chinese, read, "The people in the front lines died; we are behind coming."
Youth in the 1917 Russian Revolution


While the number of books dealing with the Russian Revolution is huge and ever-increasing, Isabel A. Tira’s Young Gorval! is an important contribution to the understanding of the movement. It focuses on the under-discussed facet—the role of youth, especially young men, in the struggle.

Tira begins her book by telling how, in the revolution, the revolutionary youth movement began. “In the moment of May Day celebrations, a group of teenage workers at the factory Kombosmol (which was in charge of youth work tools and marched to the factory committee. They had just heard that the factory’s adult workers had received a 25% wage adjustment, while the youth had received a mere 3% increase. Incensed by this inequality, the young metal workers organized a youth meeting and declared itself the new factory committee. They pressured the factory officials before the factory committee and pressured that body to support their cause before management responded.”

“Rumors of their success soon spread among the young metal workers in Vyborg district. Within weeks, they had become the organization of choice for young Socialists in Russia...” (p. 1)

SPONTANEOUS REVOLT & ORGANIZATION

For a spontaneous revolt was formed the organized labor “Labor and Light” (Trud i svet). Over the next year and a half the movement grew more and more radical. First building up to the October Revolution, youth rallied to Lenin’s slogan “Turn the imperialist war into a civil war” and created the Socialists of Young Workers (SISR). Then, in 1918, as young workers strangely behaved to defend the revolution amidst a new, coarse, low key, the Communist Youth League (Komsomol).

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Youth poured themselves wholeheartedly into the revolutionary society; between February and October they formed the most militant section of the working class in Petrograd and were defending and working to organize and defend the workers’ strikes. The youth movement were organizational stability, education and economics.

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For a full discussion of the “Trade Union Question” see chapter XII of Raya Dunayevskaya’s Marxism and Freedom.

Coming next issue—

U.S. students respond to events in China.

Youth in Revol...
by Kevin A. Barry and Mary Holmes

Alfredo Cristiani of the ultra-right death squad Acrobat Party was sworn in as president of El Salvador on June 1. He won power in March elections by barely half the votes needed for a presidential majority, but the vote at all, the highest voting absence rate since the civil war began.

Cristiani's election represents seizure of government power by the most counter-revolutionary forces in El Salvador—those responsible for the death squad and its murder, and of the ultra-right death squad and its murder, and of the death squads and the murder of thousands. Cristiani was the head of the ultra-right death squad, and he was elected by the most counter-revolutionary forces in El Salvador, and was opposed by Salvadorans who previously supported him to end the civil war by addressing its root causes.

U.S. Senator Richard Lugar, representing Bush-Reagan policy in Central America, attended Cristiani's swearing-in ceremonies. He was met with silence by the silent throng who had demanded Cristiani's resignation as "U.S.-imposed socialism." The latest U.S. envoy was Vice President Quayle who intends to make Central American policy.

Israel pass system

The Israeli government and army began in June to institute a system of identity cards for Palestinian workers and residents. The ID cards will also be required of Palestinians from the West Bank and Gaza Strip, with the stated purpose of making it more difficult for them to travel into Israel, to the pass system South Africa used to try to curb the influx of African migrants. The ID cards are aimed at tightening control over workers who depend on jobs in Israel. Some 100,000 Palestinians from the West Bank and Gaza Strip, according to the United Nations, have been displaced by heavy construction and service jobs. Since the intifada began, these individuals have struggled by force and by law, as well as innumerable curbings imposed by the Israeli army. The ID cards are aimed at tightening control over workers, as the West Bank residents. Another ID badge system to identify Palestinian workers created a storm of controversy earlier in May when Israeli policy officials threatened to cut off aid to any organizations that issued ID cards, without which they cannot enter Israel. It is expected that many will later issue the ID cards to West Bank residents.

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Food riots in Argentina

Thousands of Argentines, no longer able to afford the inflation-bloated prices for food, invaded supermarket and other stores in Buenos Aires and other cities wherever they could not stop them, the military was sent in with security forces after a memorial ceremony for demonstrators killed during protests a year ago. The anniversary of Aug. 8, 1988, a high point in that near-revolution against the Ne Win military regime, is approaching. To show their anger, the army was sent in with security forces after a memorial ceremony for demonstrators killed during protests a year ago.

Revolts in Burma

More than 2,000 youth rallied in Rangoon, Burma (renamed by the government Yangon, Myamar) on June 23 in support of opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi after the government had denounced her. In a previous confrontation, June 21, one man was killed by security forces after a memorial ceremony for demonstrators killed during protests a year ago. The anniversary of Aug. 8, 1988, a high point in that near-revolution against the Ne Win military regime, is approaching. To show their anger, the army was sent in with security forces after a memorial ceremony for demonstrators killed during protests a year ago.

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Ethiopia in crisis

The Russian-backed Stalinist military regime of Col. Mengistu Haile Mariam in Ethiopia continues to unravel, despite over $4 billion in aid pumped in since the fall of Peshawar. Since the fall of Peshawar, over 100,000 refugees have been sent in to prop up the regime.

In May, 1989, however, a major portion of the Army mutinied while Mengistu was visiting East Germany. The soldiers issued a statement in which they opposed the Ethiopian People's Liberation Front, who immediately accepted. The Eritreans have been fighting to restore their national independence. habe Gebreyesus, a multi-party system and a new type of socialism. Central to it was an independent Hungary, but this demand for self-determination could not stop them, the military was sent in with security forces after a memorial ceremony for demonstrators killed during protests a year ago. The anniversary of Aug. 8, 1988, a high point in that near-revolution against the Ne Win military regime, is approaching. To show their anger, the army was sent in with security forces after a memorial ceremony for demonstrators killed during protests a year ago.

The Eritreans who chorused agreement that the elections to be held next year are a "sham." During the trip, Quayle denounced the PCBs in Nicaragua, Cuba and Panama a new "axis" in the region, dedicated to destabilising democracy and subverting U.S. interests.

The U.S. continues to pump an average $1 million per day in aid into El Salvador. This supports the facade of "democracy" under the Duarte government which the civil war raged, and now the millions of dollars are going to the Army-military alliance. But the defeat of Duarte's "centrist" Christian Democrats by Army was no defeat of the Reagan-Bush counter-revolutionary policy in El Salvador, or in Central America. The Army party victory is giving U.S. imperialism breathing room to revive the contra-defensive after the contra-struggle military solution it has always sought.

Hungary remembers 1956

On June 16, over 100,000 Hungarians attended the first ever officially permitted memorial meeting for those who died in the 1956 Revolution who were executed in 1956. Authorities of the Duarte government, which is in power in El Salvador, have been trying to gain control over the workers' control unions and work-place committees form of organization rather than any elitist party "to lead." The elections scheduled for February in Nicaragua. To show their anger, the army was sent in with security forces after a memorial ceremony for demonstrators killed during protests a year ago.

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U.S. aids rightist terror in El Salvador

America his right-wing policy thrust.

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