Immigrant tragedy reveals depth of China's state-capitalist crisis

by Bob McGuire

The grounding of the Golden Venture off New York revealed, to those who saw some of the survivors struggle ashore, an unperturbed glimpse at the scale of the desperate migration from China within the last two years. The estimated 50,000 to 80,000 Chinese who have made it to the U.S. illegally, many paying or borrowing up to $30,000 for the passage to smuggler gangs despite the certainty they would become virtual slaves until the debt was paid off, exposed the actual conditions in China in what many regard as a booming export economy.

The massiveness of this immigration recalls the steady flow of Haitian refugees since the overthrow of Aristide, a comparison reinforced by the Clinton administration keeping nearly all the 900 refugees from the Golden Venture, like Haitian refugees, incarcerated. But how do we reconcile the utter poverty of Haiti's deteriorating economy under military terror with the positive production statistics that economists point to for China?

I submit to you today that the UMWA work force at those operations made those profits; they enabled those companies to buy more, to get bigger. The union miners at those facilities that are laid off are entitled to those jobs, and we're damned sure they're going to get them.

UMWA member

Tens of thousands march in Detroit, p. 8

Miner workers strike for job security

Editor's note: We print below three accounts of the United Mine Workers union (UMWA) strike. The first consists of excerpts from a speech given by a UMWA member at the Decatur, Ill. Solidarity March and Rally (see story on page 3). The second and third were written by correspondents who visited striking miners in southern Illinois and in West Virginia.

Decatur, Ill.—Currently in southern Illinois the Mine Workers have approximately 3,000 striking miners picketing at Consol.-Peabody, Peabody, Arch, and across the nation we have an additional 13,000 people on the picket lines...The mine workers by tradition are militant. They strike constantly, and we've been able to use that to get what we want.

In 1988 we negotiated a contract that contained very strong job security language, we thought. What our contract entailed was that we would be given three out of five new jobs in new operations opened by the mining companies. We thought that was pretty good language.

A month after we negotiated that, the operators went to Florida and had a vacation. They figured out they could get around that language. Instead of opening up mine called Peabody Coal, they'd open it up called Joe Blow Coal. We wouldn't get a job there. After that occurred, we learned a valuable lesson: You can't trust them. That's what the companies are doing to us today. Production's not down, mines are opening, our people are laid off.

The top issue in our negotiations is job security. There's going to be no more enterprise shell games, no more shuffling around the paper work on it. We're going to get the iron clad job security that our folks are going to live with. They're going to have those jobs.

Peabody Coal Company several years ago owned two coal mines in Illinois—union mines. From those profits they bought Shell Mining Company in Morgantown, W. Va.—"if the coal operators are able to break the United Mine Workers union, you can kiss organized labor in the U.S. goodbye," declared a striking miner at the picket shack of Consolidated Coal Company in West Virginia.

The companies, that are involved. This could be a long strike. I wouldn't be surprised if it lasted 'til next year, but we'll be here as long as it takes. We just can't afford to lose this one."

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Filipinas not for sale!

New York, N.Y.—In June, a day before Philippine Independence Day, a women's indignation rally against the(read more)
Unions declare Illinois a 'war zone'

Decatur, Ill.—Workers from A.E. Staley Manufacturing Company and from the Caterpillar plant here were joined by thousands of other families. Caterpillar workers from other cities, and union officers, were far away as Flint, Mich., to form a human chain stretching three miles to the edge of Caterpillar's lines. Drivers of passing cars honked their horns and passersby raised their fists in support. The homeless invaried United Allied Workers (UAW) Local 837 (Staley) and United Auto Workers (UAW) Local 360, together with the 1,500 utility workers locked out by Central Illinois Public Service Company. The latter include 900 members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 702 who have sat out for seven weeks, and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 148, who have ratified a contract, but are honoring the IBEW's picket lines.

'No Contract, No Peace' and 'Solidarity' rose repeatedly at the rally back at the AW Local 837 lines. "Every worker went out, we'd be able to shut this country down," said one picket. "If we get this contract settled, it will never be the same again." A UMWA member said, "If I don't get a decent contract, I'll go to war. It's that simple." The morning's singing included "Welcome to the Machine" by Pink Floyd. "If we're not talking about 'team concept' at the Caterpillar plant in Peoria and the Helene Curtis plant in Chicago, there's nothing left in this war;" an AW Local 837 picket said. "It's all or nothing." The guards, along with a barbed wire topped chain across the road, all that was left of a picket line. "If we're not talking about creating a new society to live in. If we aren't talking about it here, about how that goal is related to day-to-day struggle."

Detroit pay cuts

Detroit, Mich.—With only two hours' notice, a 10% pay cut was imposed on all City of Detroit AFSCME workers. "We were told it was going to be only a short-term proposal," said one AW Local 837 member. But Detroit City Worker Contract, 'NO

"When he said that "the way it is set up now, it's a total failure. Driving through the cities of Perry and Randolph counties, one is greeted with dozens of signs in front yards stating support for the UMWA. Asking any miner how long they expect the struggle to last, no miner, not even the ones who had signed agreements with the BCOA, had any clear idea. "If we get this contract settled, it will never be the same again," a UMWA member said. "If you're too young to remember the drives, there's no way to explain it."

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Southern Ill.—Three thousand Illinois coal miners strike in Perry County. The miners charged that the owners are trying to get rid of as much coal as possible with the cheap high-sulfur coal. The foresolved mine closures have pronounced the divided priorities of Labor and Capital. To the miners, the loss of the massive Consolidation's Burning Star No. 4; Arch Mineral's Captain, 1993, have declared Illinois "a war zone", a miner said, "only the station playing "Welcome to the Machine" by Pink Floyd. "If we're not talking about 'team concept' at the Caterpillar plant in Peoria and the Helene Curtis plant in Chicago, there's nothing left in this war;" an AW Local 837 picket said. "It's all or nothing." The guards, along with a barbed wire topped chain across the road, all that was left of a picket line. "If we're not talking about creating a new society to live in. If we aren't talking about it here, about how that goal is related to day-to-day struggle."
I completed the chapter on the dialectic—The French Revolution. Dear Friends: I have just rewritten Chapter 1 on the Industrial Revolution and opened the modern world with the revolutions which feel that after the convention and discussion I will wish this: Now that I have the whole material before me, I feel that the development and that of the working class movement of the Classical Political Economy and this Chapter 2 on the Revolutionaries and Economic and Political Thought or the Age of Revolutions: Industrial, Social-Political, and Intellectual. The spirit would be to open the modern world with the revolutions which indeed laid its foundations and posed the questions as well as the whole material for Hegel, and through which—when I actually started working out the philosophical problem on black and white in its strictly philosophical implications that it finally became possible to show in the dialectical state-capital tendency between the essence and the self—Marx himself did for the three decades of his development and that of the working class movement of the Classical Political Economy and this Chapter 2 on the Revolutionaries and Economic and Political Thought, the Age of Revolutions: Industrial, Social-Political, and Intellectual. The spirit was Hegel’s audacity, and clear that one of the three fundamental attitudes, fundamentally false approaches to Hegel, was precisely the Johannesburg and academic as the serene inheritor, one more aspect of the Existentialism that necessitates the dialectic to fit any arguments it wished, like a Philadelphia lawyer arguing both absolute opposite sides of the question with equal glibness. Thus to Kaufman (Green Lee Boggs), Hegel was both the philosopher of the counter-revolution and of the permanent revolution, “the Absolute,” which was supposed to designate us and the Existentialists as incorporating all of past culture. No wonder one couldn’t ever get back to the truth. This is, that is, Marxism.

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First the industrial proletariat, the workers in America and in France. Each period in history, each era is an individual. Hegel called out in the dialectic to this very thing. It is the question of the development from the stage to the heaven. At least Hegel’s Absolute, though only in thought, was on this earth, not in heaven. Now the dialectic of the French Revolution, insofar as the great bourgeois thinker was able to see, that was it was to be the reaper of the consequences. And every time they did not find it to be true, it was the reaper of the consequences. Every time they did not find it to be true, it was the reaper of the consequences. And in consequence, they did not find it to be true, it was the reaper of the consequences. And in consequence, they did not find it to be true, it was the reaper of the consequences. And in consequence, they did not find it to be true, it was the reaper of the consequences. A process of development, a constant overcoming of contradictions, a process of development, a constant overcoming of contradictions, a process of development, a constant overcoming of contradictions, a process of development, a constant overcoming of contradictions, a process of development, a constant overcoming of contradictions.
Philosophy, organization and revolution

This "Philosophical Dialogue" continues the discussion on the 40th anniversary of the philosophical and marxist humanist movement. It includes correspondence between Karl Marx and Raya Dunayevskaya to non-Marxist Hegel scholars and an essay by Peter Wermuth on Spontaneity, Consciousness and Organization. To obtain this special supplement and the discussion on it in the June 1993 N&L, contact News & Letters.

Praxis, cognition and will in Hegel, Marx and Lenin

by George Armstrong Kelly

Editor's note: George Armstrong Kelly (1932-1987), noted Hegelian philosopher and author of Hegel's Idea of Freedom and Power, wrote the following letter to Raya Dunayevskaya on Oct. 20, 1984, in response to her letter to him on Sept. 30, 1984, a version of which was published in the special supplement in our May 1985 issue.

I am not sure that I am possible for me at this time—but we will continue to watch the thoroughness and the incompleteness of the earlier years, and the current evolution. The best I can do for now is to record some observation of my own.

I say that I subscribe to your critique of Lenin, in view of his misuse of Hegel, this does not of course mean that I endorse your interpretation of Hegel, who, for me, is the method of the Absolute. If at this day and age you think of the absolute only as thought, if at this day and age you think of the absolute only as thought, you have faced the task imposed on you by his consciousness that Hegel begins to trace the emergence of freedom: struggle, abstraction, reification. The revolution manifests her concern to recognize ways in which you can do for now is to record some observation of my own.

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BOSNIA CRISIS REVEALS ACHILLES HEEL OF WESTERN "CIVILIZATION"

I can't square what's happening now in Bosnia from what's going on in Somalia. It's a world concept of retrogression. The U.S. presidency, government leaders, ready to attack a third World country, but when it comes to the Maghreb, or to Beria in Somalia—they say that's too much like a Vietnam situation. I think the emphasis on the fact that in Somalia is their preparation for war right here at home. They're preparing for another Civil War.

Black revolutionary

Los Angeles

I attended a rally for Bosnia on the UN on May 18th, and almost all of the people who came out were Muslims from various communities. The Left wasn't in eight or nine years. I'm sure they say they were not particularly re- ligious, and they were not particularly political in their communities because they had once been conquered by the Ottoman Empire. They were quite open to integrate with the Left—but the Left wasn't there! Here is a nation, Bosnia, that prides itself on its multicultural heritage and religious pluralism in the name of "Liberanum" [living space] and Naike-like narrow nationalism, and where is the multi-cultural movement? Where—is that the Left that always supported multicultural situation? Only the Women's Liberation Movement shadows the history of all this, that however, who survive are driven into the hands of Muslim fundamentalism, who will be him.

John Marroette

New York

I am an Indian Muslim and consider myself a feminist, so hearing about the rape camps of Bosnia by Serbian men is both a women's issue and a Muslim women's issue. It is just a human rights issue. To allow the ethnic cleansing and the rapes to happen in Bosnia can also be read as a war against other groups elsewhere in the world. Like when the U.S. produces anti-Semitism and nationalism who use Serbian terminology as their ideal of a clean Hindu nation, and the concept of "Lebensraum" [living space] for the white race. I say this is a common civil war with no ramifications here or else-where—that's my point.

Indian Muslim feminist

Chicago

One of the most important points made in your recent issue of N&L concerns the fact that the Western powers haven't lifted a finger to prevent the destruction of Bosnia. The genocidal nature of Bosnia because of the narrow nationalist politics upon which each of these states stands—the U.S., France, Italy and England, a tremendous revival of European nationalism and racism underway. Let's not forget that the very notion of "ethnic cleansing" first arose from the U.S. in the West. It was a self-haelf-century ago.

Solidarity activist

Chicago

A tragic irony grips the world. Concurrent with the recent opening of the Holocaust Museum in Washington another "ethnonationalist" conflict in the Middle East America and the rest of the world at the same time. Under the rubric of "feminist" with (good feel) resolutions and other non-solution gestures. While Auschwitz is not forgotten, it is not presented as a tragedy that should have never occurred nor over entitled. The need to remember Poland while my pen meets the page! That six million Jews were slaughtered is outrageous, but the 19 million peasants of China who were slaughtered by a state sanctioned system forcibly employed by a multi-ethnic millitary is forgotten. It is still a secret! In Yugoslavia. Future generations will read this as a direct example of mankind's obsession with destroying one another.

R. D. Rice

Riverdale, Maryland

I found the Editorial on Bosnia in the May issue of N&L unconvincing, as I feel that the blame on the U.S. for the tragic- edy of Bosnia falls a long way short of "aiding genocide" (not forgetting that the U.S. and others are guilty of that terrible charge else-where in the world, as in East Timor).

New Reader

Los Angeles

In ex-Yugoslavia, whatever the vacilla- tions, the Western forces have con- demned the Serbian aggression and the U.S. has imposed trade sanctions, and supported sanctions and called for war crimes tribunals and threatened military action against Serb forces (although the threat turned out to be a bluff, which the Serbian Chetniks now called).

Richard Bonning

England

Your Leap article on Bosnia ends with a quote from a participant in a Marxist- Humanist discussion who asked "how are we to continue the effort to make communism a pole of attraction against today's narrow national- isms?" That is very difficult, if not impossible, because the mass publicity for so long was that Marxism is Communism. It's quite a job to get out the message that Marx's Marxism is a humanism. Before I encountered News and Letters, I was just like Joe Average, and believed that the perversion of "Marxism" was its reality.

New Reader

Los Angeles

denying us recreation and other necessi- ties in attempts to provoke us so that we are punished by being forced to remain indefinitely in the intolerable conditions. Those prisoners who didn't/couldn't participate. Guards are spitting in our food, the union would have no recourse. Guards are spitting in our food, the union would have no recourse.

Guantanamo Bay for more than one year. The N.Y. State Pris- oners are not HIV positive, to go to the U.S. It is very sad that the U.S. government doesn't recognize that the prisoners suffer from the same illnesses as their family's life must go on. The children are punished by being forced to remain on Guantanamo because the doctors say they are not HIV positive. I don't know what to believe but I cannot trust any- thing. It is said by the people who are responsible for subjecting my family and me to these inhuman conditions.

M. Valene

Haitian refugee

Health care worker

New York

The management of the health mainte- nance organization, Kaiser, in Los An- geles is trying to use the excuse of Clinton's yet-to-be-announced health care reform plan to cut back on the wages and benefits of Kaiser workers. They really want to do is to break our union, SEIU Local 399. Not only did they target our skilled contract nurses' aides, clericals, and technicians, take away two holidays and charge us for parking and force us away our right to a grievance procedure. The Kaiser hospital management has the right to impose any amounts of their take-overs, and the union would have no recourse.

X-ray technician

Los Angeles

When I talk to the "working girls" I tell them where to go for treatment, how to be careful about AIDS. But they want to know where they can make money. Because these are jobs they have thrown in the hole, all my writing sup- plies mysteriously came out missing. Got timber in forested areas and was used as lumber and nails. But that only makes more money, and they have to overcome the obstacles in my path.

Prisoner

Michigan

The prison recieves Lucavius this spring showed our captors that they only control the prison as long as we put up with it. Our refusal to be tainted by a new drug against tuberculosis wasn't the reason for the uprising per se, but it was a mouth-and-groin-pris- oner brutality, racism, inadequate medi- cation, unemployment, etc. With the uprising a light has been shined on the barbaric conditions of con- finement yet it needs to be shined more to expose this.

Since the surrender, prisoners have been brutalized by groups of guards—those prisoners who didn't/ couldn't participate. Guards are spitting in our food, freedom; it's always about preserving capitalism and its "rights." We are going to be fighting for our rights until we totally crush this system.

Disgusted

GAY LIBERATION

I liked Tom Williamson's article on the military's homophobia very much, but I don't agree that the President of the U.S. and the Head of the gay bat in the military is the "most monu- mental event since the 1969 Stonewall Rebellion. Rather, I would say that Clinton's position could have a profound effect on the history of the gay and lesbian move- ment. "Gaygasm" was nothing more than seeing two very different kinds of events. Stonewall was the beginning of self-determination of people in a freedom movement. Clinton's position is a ruler's backlash to the promise of a freedom movement.

Prisoner

Lucavius, Ohio

VOICES FROM OVERSEAS

Latin American gays and lesbians in Los Angeles protested at the Mexican Consulate over the murder of 31 gay men in Mexico City. In Argentina, there have been linked to paramilitary and po- lice groups, and government authorities have so far refused to respond to these crises. Other gay activists now fear for their lives and say support from our brothers and sisters in the U.S. and any other countries we can reach.

Feminism in solidarity

Los Angeles

I have found many of your views of great interest and intend to publish por- tions of The Marxist-Humanist Theory of State Capitalism for the benefit of readers in India as part of starting a dialogue with you. News & Letters is very important. However, I would appreci- ate more news on the worker's front in the U.S.

Editor

Beijing, China

We especially appreciate the fact that N&L doesn't focus exclusively on events in the U.S. and Europe. We would appreci- ate further news on the situation in differ- ences with other groups.

Revolutionaries

Malta

I've just heard from Mike Twomey of the KS, (the largest Russian anarcha- syndicalist federation) to say that KAS- has started publishing in English language paper—"Russian Le- gion"—so as to keep foreign sympathizers informed about Russian events. It costs 8$ per issue; payment to be made through Credit Liberations, 183 798HA, deposta 255 199, Agence Paris, 456, 2, Place Felix, Eboux, 75011 Paris.

Laurence Ottler

England

Readers' Views
ON THE LANGUAGE OF FREEDOM

The reports in the May issue dealt with the "new Mississippi voices" combining the best traditions and principles of News & Letters in combining theory with practice. While those articles revealed the power of the "other Americans" that is the best hope and basis on which to build for the future, the entire issue combined worker and intellectual in a dramatic demonstration of the great potential and contribution News & Letters can make in knowing what is wrong, why it is wrong, and what has to be done to correct these wrongs.

Radical & Revolutionary

The May issue of N&L did some new things. First, I never remember seeing where the private News & Letters Archives column and then someone commenting directly on it in the very same pages. What made this work was the quality and carefulness of Peter Wermuth's essay.

What else was new was the passionate Lead article on the L.A. Rebellion one year later by George Frazier-Lyons reporter for sure, but "a Black worker living in South Los Angeles." No other Left group would even think of "allowing" a Black worker to write the Lead article, for the L.A. Rebellion. I think this whole issue really caught Dunayevskaya's notion of what it means, as you say, "We Are and What We Stand For": "We do not separate mass activities and intellectual life. We have no "mass audience." I believe there is a close connection between this tendency and the view that the masses need to be organized "from above." As Dunayevskaya put it once, the common view is that all objectives to "mystical, obscure" Hegelianism is the notion that you use, like "Notion" and "Absolute Idea." Freedom is a wonderful concept, but we've got to be able to communicate it in language that people can understand. I went out on the streets in the neighborhood talking about "Absolute Idea." I might get myself killed! I agree with your anti-vanguardism, but we do have to use language that can help people. We listen to people to find for a different reality than what exists now, to give people hope. And I disagree with the way Dunayevskaya counters the role of a small organization line News and Letters Committees to the mass party, which she says the workers will build. We are the masses, and it is wrong to consider ourselves separate. It's an abolition of responsibility.

Long-time Black activist

When I first began reading News & Letters, I was attracted by how it both entered, and it is wrong to consider ourselves separate. It's an abolition of responsibility. And I disagree with the way Dunayevskaya counters the role of a small organization line News and Letters Committees to the mass party, which she says the workers will build. We are the masses, and it is wrong to consider ourselves separate. It's an abolition of responsibility.

Your work seems now more timely than ever as people gropes for a new, currently relevant Hegel. I believe there may just have had the most cogent interpretation all along. She may yet get her fire.

Feminist Intellectual

Thank you for publishing the two letters of Dunayevskaya, from the birth of 1956 in the June issue, which discussed why she felt "emboldened" to venture an interpretation all along. She may yet get her. "We need no parties" by John Yuill. As a result of that time they will be capitalism's new "organizational life of News and Letters Committee.

Harry Chicago

The homes have us face the capital—"they expose their destruction of humanity. Capitalism is dedicated to this idea that the human being has no value. Clinton's crisis comes from trying to cover that over and make us think that things are looking better now. Freedom keeps trying to come through held back as an uphill battle.

NATIONALISM, COMMUNISM, MARXIST-HUMANISM

Do the unemployed in this country remain a reserve source of labor for restructured U.S. capital? Has this capitalism nearly accomplished what it set out to do with automation? rid itself of militant U.S. labor altogether, first its most militant army, the Black workers, then the labor movement in general? It is still in for surprises. U.S. capital has indeed, as it has in the past, been able to use their inhuman term for it, an "underclass" of unemployed. Black and white, young and old, and homeless. If this permanent, "unemployed army" is to be capitalism's new "reserve of labor" do it become before it shakes and brings down what sits on top of it, like a house of cards?

Angela Terrano

When Chrysler finally got around to announcing it was closing its Detroit plant, they laid off the workers for one year. Many of the 6,000 laid off never came back. Those that did were sent to school for a year to prepare them for the new plant. The rest were just left out. Now that plant is working six and sometimes seven days a week. With unemployment as high as it is here that is a crime. In some blocks only one or two households have work.

Black retired worker

RACISM IN GERMANY

I arrived in Germany the week after the firebomb assault on the Turkish family in Solingen (northwest Germany) where three young girls and two women were burned to death. The whole situation took place in Solingen every day following the attack. And, on the weekend I arrived, the largest one was again in Solingen along with others in many cities across Germany. Probably important was the prior Saturday evening when Turkish youths in the largely Turkish Kriesberg district, near the former Berlin wall, put up barricades and fought the police. A Turkish woman was shot. The police in this time Turkish youth had directly confronted the police.

Eduard Germany

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L.A. moves to the right with election

Los Angeles, Cal.—Newly elected mayor Richard Riordan has taken office with a major increase in dollars in campaign contributions to both Republican and Democrat politicians in the past, in his attempt to put an end to the “culture of poverty” within the city. He has come of age, out of the political closet, to snatch the city for the rich and those on the political right, along with big business.

This election victory was not accidental. Riordan over Michael Woo will unleash a build­up of police pres­ence and police power within the Black and Latino commu­nity. This was a clear demonstration of all the candidates, that an attempt to move LA. back to the pre-Sam Yorty era will unleash a build­up of police pres­ence to keep us in check, to prevent the next rebel­lion which sent shock waves throughout the world and showed the state which has demand­ed an strong hand in government against a disgruntled Black population possibly poorer than seen since slavery. Riordan, who was former Police Chief, who in the 1960s as a corporal of the Los Angeles Police Department, was a participant in the Watts Rebellion which sent shock waves throughout the world and showed the power of the people.

Thus the point is, Massey and Denton have made the power of their analysis relapse into a psycho­analytical scheme. They are “built into” the Black community, Massey and Den­ton succumb to just such a tendency in their dis­cussion of the Black community. They are “built into” the Black community, Massey and Den­ton succumb to just such a tendency in their dis­cussion of the Black community.

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Detroit "Freedom March"

Detroit, Mich.—Under the banner “Freedom Ain’t Free,” a little over 1,000 people marched Woodward Ave, on the eve of the national election, in memory of leader of the Black Power movement who was assas­sinated in 1965. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., gave the first version of his “I Have a Dream” speech. The non-African-American part­icipants and observers were very moved by this event.

The 1993 search, organized and led by the NAACP, in­cluded de­legations from the UAW, Detroit Public School teachers, the Congress of Racial Equality, local orga­nizations and the inevitable politicians campaigning for office this coming fall. But nearly half the participants were young, and many of them came spontaneously.

A crowd of about 500 people, in support of Malice Green, the Black man beaten to death by police on May 4th, 1967, and whose funeral was attended by President Lyndon B. Johnson, marched in 1965. She said there was no comparison to the 1963 march, and that we had gone backward in many areas since that time. She had never seen such a fami­lies’ ability to properly raise and teach young people.

At the same time, a 10-minute video, entitled “Peaceful Protest,” was also screened. Riordan referred to Detroit’s loss of population since 1965, and pointed to all the downtown buildings which have become empty or abandoned under his administration. He did not mention the many more which have been torn down, nor the 9,000 fewer city employees since he took office in 1974.

The march concluded with a street festival, which was well attended by the community. The mood of the day was somber; the march was characterized by the si­lence of participants and the organizers, not to be forgotten.

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Since its artificial creation by colonial France in 1960, Mauritania has been a playground for violent ethnic nationalism. The country’s first president, Mokhtar Ould Daddah, was a vociferous advocate of the so-called “integration” into the great, mighty, and united Arab world.

Due to the lack of funds to build up the police force or to control the Black population, the police expect a cut in social services such as hospital care, wel­fare, school supplies, workers’ pay, etc. to fund the state police. Riordan will just be another form of attack upon the Latino and African American community, the poor and the Black people, while we see a buildup in police pres­ence to keep us in check, to prevent the next rebel­lion. Some have mentioned the election of Riordan and this is a clear demonstration of all the candidates, that an attempt to move LA. back to the pre-Sam Yorty era will unleash a build­up of police pres­ence to keep us in check, to prevent the next rebel­lion.
Fetishism of capitalist knowledge


Drucker's new book asserts that we are on the verge of an epochal transformation where the "real, concrete existence of society" will be "post-capitalist." Further, this knowledge is to be created and practiced in egalitarian "modern organizations" which reject any notion of a "boss," the manager, who sees "knowledge as a means to end...an organization as a tool" (p. 215).

M. Marx's precise concept was that a society's changing level of technological development and intensity of labor is to be measured by "the quality and quantity of its wealth," by the wealth of "the activity of the whole person. The ability to animate machines, to regulate and direct them, is already knowledge." And "knowledge is valued." "Electronic Plantation" is what workers call the minimum wage and computer-controlled jobs which will be "recycled" into a job in this restructured workforce.

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4 Our handm, as bleeding axioms,

5 We can never return,

6 The present is only a metaphor.

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8 But our history is not just the history of the trials and triumphs of those who were privileged to participate in them...

Gay activists at crossroads

Chicago, Ill.—The events of the last week of June have marked a new chapter in the struggle to end gay civil rights, defeated in Oregon state elections in November, and opened two other fronts in two cities and four counties in local Oregon elections.

Speakers in Chicago denounced the Oregon initiative as "an attack on gay and lesbian rights." They called for voter turnout at the upcoming election in November, and for a national boycott of gay-friendly products.

Speakers also challenged Clinton's administration to support gay rights legislation, such as the Civil Rights Act of 1993, and to oppose any move to amend the Constitution to define marriage as between a man and a woman.

As for the Oregon initiative, Clinton's administration announced it would not intervene in the election, but would support gay rights policies nationwide.

The results in Oregon highlighted the need for continued struggle to end gay discrimination and for the protection of gay rights.

The situation in Chicago is similar, with a strong gay community fighting for equal rights.

The struggle for gay rights is not just a battle for acceptance, but a fight for justice and equality.

Gay rights activists have been organizing for years to end discrimination and to secure equal rights for all Americans.

Despite the setbacks, the struggle continues, and the movement will not be stopped.

World Congress on AIDS

Berlin, Germany—The 9th World Congress on AIDS was held here June 7-11, with 14,000 attending from 105 countries. Selected as a site for the crumbling of the Berlin Wall, AIDS researchers believed that eastern and central Europe were ripe for a new AIDS conference in the midst of a new era of research and education in the late 1990s. Michael Merson, head of the World Health Organization's Global Program on AIDS, said, "The conference was a clear signal that AIDS is a global disease and social disasters...provide fertile ground for a surge in AIDS.

Indeed, the incidence of HIV is rising in the Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Hungary and Russia, with the outbreak especially severe in the former Soviet Union. Dr. Semyonov, the Russian epidemiologist, calculates that the number of AIDS cases in the former Soviet Union has increased by 500% in the last five years.

While the rate of new infections is often said to be stagnating, many experts are concerned that the epidemic will spiral out of control in the near future. The high rate of new infections is a major threat to the global community, and urgent action is needed to prevent the spread of the virus.

Several speakers called for a new approach to the problem of AIDS, and for a coordinated global effort to combat the disease. The conference was an important step in this direction.

The World Congress on AIDS was a major event in the fight against HIV/AIDS, bringing together experts from around the world to share their knowledge and to develop new strategies for combating the epidemic.

Letter from a prisoner

We are off and on lockdown for just about anything. At the time of this writing we are locked down because they are afraid it's the coronavirus, COVID-19, or just because of the color of one's skin. However, I'll try to give you my small opinion on freedom and total liberation within America as I see it.

As for Marx's philosophy of revolution, it is not a very easy job for me, because you know that I do not really agree with the doctrines of the Communist Parties, and feel that the USSR and China both have a class struggle. It's a very confusing and rich and the very poor, which always seems to be the majority of the people of any country, China, America or the USSR.

The people in America, like in any other country, really do enjoy reading the works of Raya Dunayevskaya, which always cry out against those little private gangs, working under the color of law, in America, in Canada, in Brazil, in Argentina, in South Africa, in South America...and that is one of the main sources of America. The people in America want the same kind of thing...the workers of the world all stand together and the rest of the world should be doing the same thing. We as a people must first learn to live with each other, and the rest of the world, and to like it, even re-word our "Holy Bible," then all the good things will be achieved.

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Immigrant tragedy reveals China's state-capitalist crisis

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The refugees on the Golden Venture were all from southern China, looking for a new life in the West. They were stopped twice—once by the American Coast Guard, which turned them back, and a second time by the Chinese military while they were en route to Hong Kong. The US Coast Guard estimated that 100,000 additional refugees were in the area, following the same route. The refugees were forced to live on the boat for months, with little food and no shelter, until they were eventually shipped back to China.

The Chinese government has been increasingly desperate to control the movement of its citizens, particularly those who are looking for a better life outside of China. The government has been cracking down on all forms of dissent, including peaceful protests and even artistic expression. The government has also been using the threat of violence and imprisonment to silence its critics.

The Chinese government's actions are symptomatic of a broader trend towards authoritarianism, both within and without China. The government's clampdown on dissent is seen as a reflection of its fear of losing control, particularly in the face of economic and social changes that are happening within China.

The Chinese government's actions also highlight the need for greater human rights protections, both within China and internationally. The Chinese government must be held accountable for its actions, and the international community must work to ensure that the human rights of all people, regardless of their nationality, are respected and protected.
The rich got richer by negating the underclass and focusing on the profit that existed in the imperfect oppositions that surround us. The resistance that focused on music failed almost certainly because one can only feel angry and nihilistic for so long before the simpler, more profound influences of capitalism insinuate themselves back into one's life. Yet—negation is not enough, in my experience. These negative feelings—this idea that we are all connected, that our feelings and determination to stop the genocide in Bosnia are connected—are a part of me. 

Stop genocide in Bosnia!

I recently attended the first of the workshops/classes on "Negation and the '90s generation" at the News and Letters office in Chicago, and I wanted to talk about my personal reaction to this question of negation. The rich, Hegel, Marx, and Lenin pursued with such vigor. Negation—it should appeal to the youth of any generation, right? It has always appealed to me on some level. Yet those workshops confirmed my personal experience as a 19-year-old middle class white male—negation is not enough.

This is a lesson that I learned the hard way, which is to say that I learned it the hard way. As a 19-year-old middle class white male—negation is not enough. The resistance that focused on music failed almost certainly because one can only feel angry and nihilistic for so long before the simpler, more profound influences of capitalism insinuate themselves back into one's life. Yet as I felt my way through these subcultures, I came to understand the importance of negation. The power of negation, of absolute negation, is that it can give you. They free you to walk the streets and say "No." It truly can't stress the importance of this great resounding "No!" enough.

Yet—negation is not enough, in my experience. These subcultures, especially "alternative" music forms, are being subverted daily by the very system that they were created to oppose. They have been transformed into their opposites, to the despair of those of us who once treasured the power their negation gave us. Even postmodernism, which for the most part was inspired by the philosophy of Friedrich Nietzsche, is beginning to reveal the depth of its denial of a critical element of Nietzsche's philosophy, that element being "Yes-saying," which is very related to the Hegelian-Marxian dialectic.

The lesson I've learned from Reagan and Derrida: it is not enough to walk through life denying all objectivity's hold on you. Objectivity, through self-perservence and weight, will always return and be the source of domination. In the paradigm of Absolute negativity, it is not enough to walk through life denying all objectivity's hold on you. Objectivity, through self-perservence and weight, will always return and be the source of domination. In the paradigm of Absolute negativity, it is not enough to walk through life denying all objectivity's hold on you. Objectivity, through self-perservence and weight, will always return and be the source of domination. In the paradigm of Absolute negativity, it is not enough to walk through life denying all objectivity's hold on you. Objectivity, through self-perservence and weight, will always return and be the source of domination. In the paradigm of Absolute negativity, it is not enough to walk through life denying all objectivity's hold on you. Objectivity, through self-perservence and weight, will always return and be the source of domination.

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Guatemalan demonstrations protest coup

One month after the short-lived coup supported by the military that triggered the collapse of the leftist regime of Alvaro Arzú, the military and capitalists shut out the unions and opposition groups. The new administration, led by President Jacobo Árbenz, has continued to press forward with its agenda of economic and social change. The sequence of events shows how the discontent and unrest in Guatemala drove events:

- Árbenz and the military were unprepared for the breadth of opposition to the coup. The business sector, which had participated in the coup, was not fully aware of the extent of the opposition. In a few days, demonstrations poured in, and small groups of demonstrators gathered in the streets of Guatemala City.
- The U.S. threatened immediate withdrawal of economic aid. After one short week on June 1, the military finally capitulated.

A meeting of the opposition forces was held June 1 to form a new government. When the military and capitalists shut out the unions and other opposition groups, Rigoberta Menchú walked out with other prominent figures to form a new government. This move followed a major debate among the characters as to who the coup d'etat against the president was.

On June 3, the Vice President under Árbenz, Gustavo Espina, declared himself president, with backing by the military. Demonstrations against Espina broke out immediately and one day later he renounced his claim.

On June 6, Ramón de León was sworn in as president. De León, with the backing of business and political leaders, announced a policy statement. It was called for a “Social Investment Fund” to send development money into the countryside, in an effort to provide jobs and social services. This statement was not popular among the opposition as the mass demonstrations that spread across the country continued.

If nothing stops this outrage, most of Guatemala will probably be under Communist rule within 15 years. Struggle, that is the only way we are ever going to take power!

German anti-racism action

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