A radical youth movement rises to confront global retrogressive times

by John Marcotte

This week they gave me work that pays only one cent an acre. I have to make a hundred pieces to earn one dollar. If I work the whole day I'll make ten dollars! I complained to the supervisor and she said, "If you can't do it, say you can't. But if you don't want to work, you don't eat." I work five days from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., plus Saturday from 8 to 4. I make one hundred dollars some weeks, 200 sometimes, even up to 500 if the work is good. The new women are slower, they make one hundred to 120 a week. If we made just the minimum wage, with this overtime it got expanded into a thesis in 1996. I was sent from Spain to Brazil which was a turning point, I was going through a very hard time. And if you have no papers, it's even worse. There are no jobs.

This is the words of a Latina worker right in the heart of New York City in 1998. As we talked, suddenly I felt I was back in the England of Charles Dickens, back in the days of the first socialist factory owner. I've been reading Capital, where Marx writes about the reports of the English factory inspectors and the conditions they create to be fought for, for not just one hour of the day, of the first associations and unions of workers. Here in New York and in the same way as another present people, this time not from England or Ireland as in Marx's day but from South America, who had been torn off their land and made just the minute rupees called factories. It was as though we had to start all over again.

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Protests test Iran's ruling order

The arrest of the populist mayor of Teheran, Hassan Karbaschi, on April 4 caused such an uproar that a top police official was soon to be convened to prevent the power struggles from breaking out into major street clashes. After months of maneuvering and sending out the riot police to break up a protest demonstration by nearly 4,000 university students—"Followers of the Line of Karbaschi" who have now thrown their support behind President Khatami—Karbaschi was arrested from a prison on bail. He is charged with embezzlement, but the arrest and the charges are a not-so-veiled attack on President Khatami's supporters, including Karbaschi. The so-called "religious hard-liners" exemplified by Mohammad Yazdi, the head of the judiciary, said their powers reconstitute drastically ever since Khatami's ascendancy to power. A recent visitor to Teheran observed that "many people support the Khatami administration because they are determined not just to reassert the dominance of the conservative clergy and their supporters." According to one source, the president has been trying to remove Yazdi from the post of chief judge for some time. Mayor Karbaschi's arrest was a preemptive move to reassert the dominance of the "conservative faction." Karbaschi, appointed mayor in 1989, is held up as the architect of a rapprochement between Iran and the West. In the last few weeks the price of rice, the major staple of Iranians, was raised by 70%. Meat and chicken prices are so high, they are unaffordable for the general population. Price subsidies for bread were also eliminated by the government. Fuel prices increased nearly 100%. Bankrupt industries, such as the nationalized Malee shoe company, are borrowing from banks to pay their workers' salaries, according to a labor ministry official. While consumer prices have shot up, Iran's currency, the Rial, has taken another nose dive.

All eyes have been on the rapprochement between Iran and the U.S. Major developments are occurring in that front that will have important consequences for the world.

Powerful forces are shaping up inside Iran at multiple levels in society. These forces, including a totally alienated and fed-up population—are also compelling a part of the rulers to effect a major house-cleaning in their affairs. One well-conserved element that would be forced to move is pro-Khatami forces to cleanse the judicial system of judges and prosecutors. They control the courts, the main obstacles to the pros­

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Capitalism's merger mania

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Seneca Falls: a ‘world-historic moment’

by Laurie Cashdan

I attended an exciting session on “The Significance of Seneca Falls: 150 Years of Women’s Rights at the Org...”

Within months of Marx penning these words, the Seneca Falls Women’s Rights Convention demanded the end of “man’s virtual tyranny” over women and to “woman’s social and religious degradation.” It would be a huge stretch to argue that the bourgeois Elizabeth Cady Stanton, the Declaration’s author, promoted proletarian revolution. Yet just as Marx had denounced social and religious restrictions of the bourgeoisie, the Declaration called for women to “move in the enlarged sphere which the emancipation of labor has been able to promote every righteous cause by every righteous means.”

This connection relates to DuBois’s insistence that we view Seneca Falls as initiating a movement for freedom, rather than “to have.” The Declaration is about the “infinite degradation” of women-as objects through not only new production relations but the “abolition of the sexual division of labor” itself. Pauline Roland, jailed after the 1848 Revolution in Paris, describes it as a “social project.” She drew parallels between the Seneca Falls Convention and the French Revolution. Historians on the panel disagreed, especially DuBois, who disagreed, arguing that the idea of freedom in the late 19th century was “exchange” between social movements.

LESLEE TELLER TELLS STORY

imiento: Below we excerpt Leslie Brown’s talk from an international Women’s Day conference workshop orga...”

I received a 20-year sentence and there I was in Dwight prison. At that time the population was 1,600. In 1988 I was one of the first women in Illinois to be granted clemency for that type of offense.

I made a promise to myself to come back and share with the women that I know that there’s a life after the prison. I’ve lived that. In 1986 I was one of the first in Illinois to be granted clemency for that type of offense.

I’ve been a social activist since the late 1970s and early 1980s, when I did not have the Domestic Violence Act. It came into law in 1982.

I got tired of being told that my two children from a previous marriage. To me he was a psychopath. I had been sexually assaulted in the late 70s and early 80s, they did not have the Domestic Violence Act. It came into law in 1982.

I finally did something about it. I told my children that he purchased. So I know material things mean nothing because we had it and yet it was still me, full of anxiety, mad, angry at myself. I didn’t allow myself to call him. I talked to a counselor. The relationship did end. It is very important for women to think about their rights after a divorce or a relationship. It is also very important for women to think about their rights after a prison sentence.

I went to Jericho ‘98 in Washington, D.C., and then he had no name. My husband would pay someone to tell me where I lived and then he would come and beg me to love him. I was in school for my degree and I was in a situation. I called the police and I was in a situation. They cut my hair, did x-rays. The judge told me, “I don’t need the $35,000 of medical...”

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Baptist East blames hospital workers

Memphis, Tenn. — At Baptist Memorial Hospital East, they are always changing the rules on us. Baptist can’t keep nurses or certified technicians, so they have to lay us off. They say they have to lay us off because Memphians workers don’t like coming here.

Because of staff shortages management makes “stayover lists” and if the cases aren’t finished you may have to stay in the Recovery Room! Yet we are blamed. We have to stay in the Recovery Room until there’s room for others. We feel we have to stay up.

If management were different, we would love this job. We like the patients and we work with our colleagues. We have a vision of a classless society, whoever we are, to have a vision of a classless society, whoever we are, to have one life and, by god, they’re not going to live it for us!

—Service First” employees

March for farm workers

Supporters of strawberry pickers fighting for contract representation by the United Farm Workers union. The march will commemorate the death, on March 31, birthday of union founder, the late Cesar Chavez.

Union drivers targeted

Olive Branch, Miss. — After being in a factory, when I started working as a truck driver at Mississippi Materials, I thought it was the rat race. It was a lot of money in the summer because you got plenty of hours, but it was real slow in the winter because the company pours concrete at construction sites.

One weekend we didn’t have but 24 hours and they wanted us to work Saturday and Sunday. They used to give time and a half on Saturday, double time on Sunday until Doug Johnson came in and said, “We can’t afford you time and a half. They made it mandatory to work Sunday. I have young boys and take them to church every Sunday I can.”

The company hired and they notified the dispatchers not to show up, but they didn’t notify the drivers. Then the drivers that didn’t come got fired. We were still hiring drivers who were going to be suspended or pay back.

The company fired drivers from different plants said that wasn’t right. We had a meeting to organize, and so many drivers came out. By the time we voted, it was too late. We didn’t get a union. We got the union, Local 28 of the Furniture Workers. The company never thought a union could even get near them.

They didn’t have much more hardship on the drivers. They even turn down orders, saying, “My driver has a family and he can’t go home today.”

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Editor's Note

Along with the 150th anniversary of Karl Marx's Communist Manifesto, this year marks also the 100th anniversary of Rosa Luxemburg's entrance in May, 1898 into the German arena where her challenge to one of the established leaders of the Second International, Eduard Bernstein, became the classic revolutionary answer to the theory and practice of revisionism. As part of our celebration of May 1st as a day of revolutionary struggle, we print below a letter written by Raya Dunayevskaya on August 9, 1978 to a German philosopher who has never thought of at the start of writing, I hesitate to write to you something on Rosa Luxemburg when the real point—and that's why I have changed the title of the projected book on Rosa Luxemburg and the relationship to Marx's theories, from Marx's theory of revolution to Marx's philosophy of revolution—is that so long as we only talk of theory, we are talking only of the immediate task of revolution, that is to say, the overthrow of exploitative, racist, sexist society. Rather, when we talk of a philosophy of revolution, the point, especially for us today, is not to overthrow exploitation and oppression, but the creation of a new society in which all can have that in mind can think of the revolution be truly total.

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From the Writings of Raya Dunayevskaya

MARXIST-HUMANIST ANTHOLOGIES

July 1978

"The revolution is magnificient, and everything else is big.

—Rosa Luxemburg

Dear Sisters:

Because the dialectic never fails to reveal facets one has never thought of at the start of writing, I hesitate to write to you something on Rosa Luxemburg when the revolution—Marx's—compels confrontation, no matter how urgent the very idea of a philosophy of revolution is. I have not yet begun. But because the Marxian 1844 Essays were unknown to Rosa Luxemburg, I wish to call attention to it. This is proof of how total was Marx's concept. When Marx stressed that that began with revolution—so close a collaborator of Marx, was not that founder. The fact that, not only as against "the educational but also revolutionary theoreticians who thought of 'schoolmastering' revolution and woman. Quite the contrary. The real opportunity of considering a very specific revolution, the Russian Revolution, in which all three great revolutionaries—Luxemburg, Lenin, Trotsky—were active. Each singled out what he/she considered the greatest achievement of that revolution and then built on that as preparation for the future revolution. It is this building on that wish to break down for our age.

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(Rosa Luxembourg was a revolutionary, as a theoretician, as a mathematician, as a woman, as a human being... to be human means throwing one's self into the world, into life, into the future. I do not mean the downplaying of a woman's role, but the raising of the question of the meaning of a woman's role, in the relationship to Marx's theories, from Marx's theory of revolution to Marx's philosophy of revolution—is that so long as we only talk of theory, we are talking only of the immediate task of revolution, that is to say, the overthrow of exploitative, racist, sexist society. Rather, when we talk of a philosophy of revolution, the point, especially for us today, is not to overthrow exploitation and oppression, but the creation of a new society in which all can have that in mind can think of the revolution be truly total.

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by David L. Anderson

My days are full of the kind of alienation one feels in the modern world. I know my day is not my own. There is a division of me from my very essence, who I am. I work with my hands, which I like to do; I come from a family of mechanically-inclined people. I should be enjoying what I do, but the nature of our society and our labor is such that I don't.

The question asked in the first line article about this called "Alienation of the Human Spirit" (N&L, April 1987) is, "Is it possible to have a job?" It is not an individual question. It's a social question.

Another friend of mine was good with his hands, a skilled carpenter, and graduated from high school, the jobs are gone. He got his foot in the door of a good paying job just long enough to get housed, then the jobs are gone and the nature of the work that repairs is now different and more alienating.

Fetishistic character of the commodity. Not only did the commodity problem take on such strength. It is not an individual question. It's a social question.

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An important step in the process of prison reform is the provision of resources that allow prisoners to engage in meaningful activities and to continue their education. In the case of Karla Faye Tucker, a long-term prisoner in Texas, the opportunity to attend a reading and math program has been transformative for her. Tucker, who was sentenced to death for murder, found solace in reading and began to see the world in a new light. She has since been released and has devoted her time to advocating for prison reform and helping other prisoners to access similar resources.

The importance of education and support programs in prison cannot be overstated. They provide prisoners with the tools they need to transform their lives and reduce recidivism. In the words of Karla Faye Tucker, "We need to keep doing what we're doing...I never thought reading could change my life."

This excerpt highlights the transformative power of education and the importance of supporting prisoners in their efforts to change. Tucker's story serves as a reminder of the potential for prison reform and the need for continued investment in programs that empower prisoners and help them build a better future for themselves and their communities.
LABOR'S GLOBAL CONDITIONS AND STRUGGLES

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Chicago

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Detroit

Nike epitomizes what is wrong with today's economic system. The North American Free Trade Agreement have been the door for greedy companies like Nike to roam the world searching for countries with low-wage workers and oppressive governments to set up sweatshops to manufacture their products. Two Hong Kong human rights research groups revealed in a recent study that in ChinaNike employees are paid $1.20 a day--seventy cents less than China's daily minimum wage. The Chinese workers are forced their Chinese factory workers to pay a deposit when they are hired so they will continue to work in the sweatshop and turn over much of their pay to their Chinese employers. It is a "resting" place.

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A hundred and fifty years ago the 1848 Revolution was published in Germany. According to the historian Eric Hobsbawm, the revolution began in Paris on February 22 and "within a matter of weeks...the first country of Europe which is today occupied (by) all or part of ten states." These events, the 1848 Revolution and the publication of Marx's Communist Manifesto, are joined into a single event by modern historians for the same reason, but rather because they represent an historical conjuncture -- a revolution in practice and a revolution in thought. It is precisely because of that unity that Marx's Communist Manifesto speaks to freedom struggles today; whether they be the struggles of workers against alienation in production and cutbacks in the labor force, oppressed minorities fighting for freedom and self-determination, or theoreticians who are concerned with today's failed or incomplete revolutions.

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One of the concerns that some prisoners had when they heard about the stated goals of Jericho '98 was that it would be so singularly defined that it would ignore the thousands of the other prisoners in the system who are as much political prisoners as those of the title of Jericho 98 organizers. Jericho '98 is a national project originally dedicated to supporting those who have been incarcerated as a result of their political activism and beliefs but not those who adopted liberatory views while in prison.

No one takes away from the injustices enacted upon Mumia Abu-Jamal, Leonard Peltier or the comrades of the Puerto Rican independentistas. In fact, their struggles are as well known and revered inside the walls as they are in the world. Yet in a time of “truth in sentencing” in an age when eleven- and twelve-year-olds are incarcerated for the rest of their lives, we are still alive; in a time when animals are given more rights and dignity than incarcerated human beings; and in a time when control over prisoners is a country-wide interest for those men and women who have the capacity to guide fellow prisoners in political discourse—such a narrow focus can never stand in the way of the fight against political activism in prison has become the only resource for change.

The Rise of Mayan Philadelphia, a site for Mayan Philadelphia, is maintained, and contributed to by sworn members of the Chicago Police Department, for members of the Chicago Police Department, and the comrades of the Puerto Rican independistas, for that reason. If the history of the United States is any guide—rhetoric and policy since 1945, this mentality resulted in 19 stabbings and 70 shootings. In one of those facilities, Ottawa, this mentally ill was murdered in 1995 in stabbings and two killings in less than a year.

Revolts occur in prisons around the country every day.

**Chicago, Jakarta linked by East Timor struggle**

Jakarta, Indonesia — East Timorese youth demonstrated throughout the East Timores in the run up to the April 3 at the start of the Asia-Europe Summit in London. They demonstrated the world that East Timorese remain under the brutal control of Indonesian rule.

Chicago — Young activists from across the Midwest traveled to Chicago April 3 to attend a conference sponsored by the East Timor Action Network. Featured speakers were activist-journalist Allan Nairn, who was recently deported from Indonesia for holding a press conference which exposed ongoing U.S. training for repressive Indonesian special forces troops, and Constancio Pinto, a representative from the National Council of Mauhabe Resistance, the umbrella group for East Timorese organizations resisting the occupation of their country by Indonesia. Sihotawati, an Indonesian democracy activist, spoke as well.

The weekend conference included a public forum at Northwestern University as well as informational and tactical sessions for activists.

Sihotawati, recently returned from a fact-finding trip to Indonesia, offered details of the ongoing and large-scale student demonstrations against the troubled Subarto regime. She said that activity has continued despite successive waves of arrests of student leaders, and that the demonstrations were not limited to the island of Java, but were in fact taking place on Sumatra and the Moluccas. She added that a recent split of the movement demonstrated East Timorese youths in front of the British embassy in Jakarta timed to coincide with the April 3 start of the Asia-Europe Summit.

**Unlimited oppression, revenge**

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But those who organized and supported Jericho 98 were not taken in by the mind-numbing aspects of the American press, judiciary, or the legislature in defining the vigilante white youth who are killing in the streets in being called "radical.”

But they are still careful in limiting themselves to such a narrow focus when dealing with the system which oppresses Mumi, the MOVE 9, Leonard Peltier or the comrades of the Puerto Rican independentistas, for that reason.

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Even more sinister is the site’s name of individuals as “enemies of the people.” Chicago Police Chief Michael Dukakis was listed on the website called the “Officers: These People Are Not Your Friends,” there is a list of the endorsers of the Oct. 22 National Day of Protest to Stop Police Brutality, which is a list of people who—due to the fact that any system oppresses every man, woman and child confined in the state-run plantations around the country, and supports other countries who are equally oppressive to express a concern for those few who dictate policy in this country, those legislators who burn the candle at both ends, and those corporations who ignore the well-being of their workforce to enhance their profits.

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The four days of rebellion happened after seven-year-old Gavin Cato was killed and his cousin seriously injured by a car that had high speed through a red light as part of the Lubahevic Hasidic leader’s motorcade. There was great anger that the (Hasidic) ambulance was knifed to death. Following are a few comments:

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"Not only did Giuliani not apologize to Gavin Cato's family, nobody talked about how his father was beaten by the police and called a "n*"—while trying to get to the hospital to save his son. Martin Mearday himself on trumped-up charges shows that he has no regard for the hard lives of white cops."

"I just wanted to warn the rest of the country about this mentality. We need to get the political discourse out of prison and back to the streets."

"It is absolutely essential that we stand in solidarity with those who are fighting against political activism in prison."

"Chicago police publish internet hit list"
A radical youth movement rises to confront global retrogressive times

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kings, yet the brutality ran rampant and was unreported by the mainstream press.

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Jobs were eliminated under "neo-liberal" economic policies, and the Workers Movement (MST) took over government offices. Protesters ended the negotiations. Today, some 60% of Northern Ireland's 1.6 million people remain Protestant. The dominant Protestant parties are extremely reactionary, often expressing open religious bigotry toward Catholics, who suffer severe discrimination, comparable to that against Blacks in the U.S. For example, the main police force is virtually 100% Protestant.

Wang Dan, a 29-year-old former student leader who has already served seven years in prison, was released and exiled to the U.S., paving the way for Clinton's June 24 visit to China. Wang, one of the most prominent and courageous leaders of the 1989 democracy movement, was first arrested in the summer of 1989. Upon his release in 1993, he refused exile and continued to press publicly for democratization of the single-party state. For Li's recent 40-day state visit to China, some 600 of thousands of political prisoners, including the legalization of independent unions.

Seine-Saint-Denis students protest. The period of unrest in France that started with the 1905 mass strikes still continues. Several times this spring, high school students from Seine-Saint-Denis, a working-class suburb about 18 miles from Paris, have walked out of class and down the street."French fermour continues to get started."

Workers from the countryside to the seats of state power. They would have been part of the deep discontent of some sectors of the population, with nearly a million votes going to Trotskyists and other openly revolutionary and anti-Stalinist parties. At the same time, however, the neo-fascist National Front (FN) received 3 million votes, 15% of the total, while traditional conservatives received 36%, slightly more than the U.S. So far, despite a shared racism—as seen in conservative President Jean-Paul Chirac's re-election—both parties face a dilemma: the "odor and noise" of immigrants bothered him—Chirac's Gaullist party has refused to go along with efforts by some local conservatives to gain power by allying with the FN. A conservative-FN alliance remains a danger for the future.

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Pol Pot, who died under questionable circumstances at a Khmer Rouge camp on the Thai border April 15, will never be held accountable for the crimes committed by his genocidal regime. But "Pol Potism," a fundamentalist Maoism, will always be identified with the killing fields in which one million people were tortured, executed, starved, worked to death or succumbed to disease, in the name of forced labor to build a Communist society. Although Pol Pot was finally driven from power when Vietnam invaded Cambodia in 1979, different elements of the Khmer Rouge have held power at various times since then.

A week before Pol Pot's death, the Clinton administration urged Cambodia's Pol Potism. In the aftermath of the Khmer Rouge army had largely disintegrated, the CIA made it secret that Pol Pot was being "shielded" by "comrades" who had hastened his death in order to ensure that the Khmer Rouge would dominate the shambles of Cambodia.

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