The huge turnouts at the anti-war demonstrations held around the globe on the weekend of Feb. 15 have reinforced the suspicions of those who believe that the only people with enthusiasm for an invasion of Iraq are those in possession of the executive branch of the United States government. The Crush — scale and rich in the diversity of participants—represents a thoroughgoing attempt to halt this war before it starts. They have already produced a gratifying recognition of their scale from George W. Bush and, while the demonstrations may not have made him abandon his plans for an invasion, they did capture the attention of the world.

Early reports of the large numbers of protesters at one of the first demonstrations to be held on this weekend-long series of events—in Melbourne, Australia on the Feb. 14—to build anticipation for the magnitude of the event. As many as 200,000 people marched in Melbourne and significant protests took place in other Australian cities as well. At the same time as the Australians marched, a demonstration took place in East Timor, the world’s newest country. Protesters there

read anti-war statements outside the U.S., British and Australian embassies.

No one was surprised that anti-war activists in all the major European war havens acted for the weekend. Western public opinion is strongly opposed to the war and the governments of France, Germany and Belgium took unprecedented diplomatic moves within NATO to hinder U.S. plans for the operation. The British government, with its permanent seat on the United Nations Security Council, has proved to be especially vexing to Washington.

It turned out that expectations for the continental Europe would be confirmed. Protests were held in Berlin, a half a million demonstrated, in Barcelona, half a million, in Madrid, an even larger turnout. The Scandinavians called all hated protests. Home held a truly enormous event that the French newspaper Le Monde reported involved three million people. Many of the smaller cities and towns in almost every European country held sizeable protests as well.

Expectations for the demonstrations in London were

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People's power defeats tyranny in Kenya

Koigi wa Wamwere, Kenya's most famous dissident, was elected to parliament from Subabisk in Nakuru by a landslide in the December election that unsettled the long dictatorship stable. The new government has already ended fees for primary education and health care and return may soon land stolen by the Moi regime. Koigi wa Wamwere had spent 13 years in prison for his human rights work over the past three decades. His autobiography, I Refuse to Die, My Journey for Freedom, was recently published by Seven Stories Press. His comments, excerpted, are from a meeting in New York City Feb. 2, co-sponsored by News and Letters Committees and the African Services Committee. —Editor

I can't tell you how happy we are at the change in government. After 40 years of tyranny following independence, at last Kenyans are talking about a 'second liberation.' It is not a complete liberation, but it's a very big step toward it. The whole country was involved in the struggle to get rid of the dictatorship. Children were in the forefront of the struggle because everyone felt that Moi must go.

But those in the leadership of the new government not the people who fought the hardest. The real heroes remain outside the power structures. As the saying in my community goes, 'The one who cultivates the food is not the one who eats it.' We are celebrating not just Moi's defeat, but also Kenya's (the anti-colonial leader who was the first ruler after independence became a dictator). He was the mother and father of Moi. The roots of dictatorship and oppression go even deeper, back to the British colonialists.

IS ALL POSSIBLE?

Kenyans voted for the opposition party, but now I see members of the new government going home in helmets. Even Moi didn't do that, so I have to ask myself, is this really what we fought for?

Moi handed over power, but people are still hurting, they are still without work, there is still a state of hell in the society. There has to be more than just Moi's departure.

We don't get to heaven from that. We have to dismantle the system that Moi, Kenyatta, and the colonial powers put into place, a system of oppression and exploitation that has much still there.

I first came to the U.S. as a student. It was during the Civil Rights Movement and I came across Malcolm X, Martin Luther King Jr. and others fighting for freedom: I made my dream my dream for Kenya, and went home to fight. I didn't think anyone could be put in jail just for seeking for human rights, for democracy, for freedom. But I was arrested I don't know how many times. The police even made it a habit to come to our house and stay all night watching us. I learned to go to sleep. I figured they could kill us just as easily whether we were awake or asleep. Later I was detained without charge or trial, indefinitely. My first detention lasted three and a half years. It was only mentioned once in the newspapers the whole time.

DEBT HAMPERS AIDS FIGHT

Sitting in my cell, I wondered why the U.S. and British governments did not once ask for me. At least during the Cold War, they said they were fighting for freedom. Why did they not ask for my freedom? I later learned they had encouraged Kenya to set up this dictatorship as a weapon against Communism. They helped Kenya, Moi, and all the right-wing dictatorships in Africa. When a democrat arose like Patrice Lumumba, they killed him. Has the West changed? Will they support our effort? Whether they do or not, the defeat of Moi was a great step in this direction.

We need a moratorium on the foreign debt. They have to do it, because Kenya is a dying nation. Every day, the people die. Moi was just using your money to repay a foreign debt instead of medical care? Paying the debt and dying makes no sense. We can't be any worse off if we don't pay it.

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Women's anti-war stance

by Terry Moon

Excerpted from a talk at the well-attended anti-war demonstration Feb. 15 in Memphis (see page 11).

When you take a poll, you always find that women are more opposed to all wars than men. This opposition is not some kind of biological determinism where women are physically wired to be opposed to all wars. If that were the case, you wouldn't find women out front in every war, from liberation in Mozambique and from Algeria to East Timor and Afghanistan.

Women's opposition to Bush's war is a demonstration of Woman as Revolutionary Force. It is the most moral and the most peaceful. It is the least expensive and the most just. It is something we can do with nothing to do with liberating anyone, and everything to do with liberating U.S. women.

WAR NEEDS TO BE UNTHINKABLE

We know that women and children comprise 80% of the refugees and populations displaced by war; and that the warlordism and the demilitarization, the incapacity of those killed in wars are, again, women and children. When I look at Bush talking macho to the troops, it is impossible to think that he has a better heart than the women who will die from his orders—including those troops. Bombing Baghdad, or any city, should be unthinkable and an anathema to a culture against human rights.

What shows starkly that this war has nothing to do with liberating Afghani women—except the 2 million or so killed—by the Northern Alliance that made the Afghanistan population unable to walk the streets without the smothering burqa. Elsewhere these difficult times. They speak directly to the lie that any war on Afghanistan was a war to liberate women from the brutal Taliban, and we are hoping there will be enough their lives and the lives of their children. Police would not investigate these threats, and even the High Court judge made threats about the organizations and the woman's lawyers.

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Women are not going to stand by while their women are from around the world to circle the White House.

Demonstrations planned for IWD

Women in Black (WiB) groups in San Francisco, Washington, D.C., and around the country are planning on demonstrating against Bush's drive for war on March 8 international Women's Day. In San Francisco, WiB has been joined by a coalition of San Francisco National Organization for Women, Code Pink for Peace—an offshoot of Global Exchange—Women's Committee, Women's Action League for Peace and Freedom, Women's Action League for Peace and Freedom, Women's Action Committee.

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"-T.M.

Women's militant anti-war stance

by Mary Jo Grey

Reformists—women. If they made even a neutral, let alone, a liberal contribution to the US or to the Afghanistan government. The Republican Senate will likely follow suit since they already named as two of their priorities: enacting stricter war work requirements, and banning late-term abortions.

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Kautsky, Lenin and Luxemburg

In this biography we find an abundance of remarkable women. Luxemburg's writings on the National Question, which was named as two of their priorities: constituting the social democratic party of Russia in 1912 and the role of the Polish Socialist Workers' Party in 1914.

LUXEMBURG IN THE THICK OF STRUGGLE

Lusakha, woman's lawyers. The October Revolution in Russia in 1917 and the German Revolution in 1918-19. The intent of this biography, Lusakha, says, is "to show the unity of the woman's question, the social, economic, political and philosophical activities."

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We need to take note of women like those in RAWA who are uncompromising. RAWA has refused to throw their lot in with those who support the lie that the war on Afghanistan was a war to democratize and rebuild the country. The U.S. is being sold the lie that when you look at who dies, the majority of those killed in wars are, again, women and children. When I look at Bush talking macho to the troops, it is impossible to think that he has any compassion for all those killed in wars are, again, women and children. When I look at Bush talking macho to the troops, it is impossible to think that he has any compassion for all those will die from his orders—including those troops. Bombing Baghdad, or any city, should be unthinkable and an anathema to a culture against human rights.

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Chicago—My name is Luis Cardona. I am part of a group of workers who were subjected to death threats in Colombia. This program began in 1995—1996. Our work was doing the eradication of coca in Colombia. We must return after this time and cannot return to the U.S. for two years. As things get more dangerous, I must leave the country. Our family in Colombia are open targets for the assassins. I would also like to talk about the larger social problems in Colombia. The biggest issues are democracy, corruption and impunity. The causes are Plan Colombia and the Free Trade Area. The fumigation programs and the Free Trade Area of the Americas.

The giant-run corporations and oil companies work with foreign corporations to exterminate unions in the Americas. The program on this are Coca Cola, Monsanto and Occidental Petroleum. These corporations are in close contact with the paramilitaries and the paramilitaries are associated with a type of "disappearances," all with the complicity of the government.

Given that, I’d like to talk about what my life was like when I worked for Coca Cola. Between 1995 and 1996, we were assassinated. I got out twice and the assassins were active. We were run out of the plant, fearing for their lives. The final assassinations occurred in December 1996. In November, when we workers presented a petition demanding negotiations, the head of the plant told us they would negotiate as a last resort, but it wouldn’t be a fair fight. What we saw is capital’s usurpation of our cooperative nature for its own ends. Capital’s obsession with war will continue. The war with Iraq, the war against workers will continue.

However, it is the true opposite to capital’s obsession with war with Iraq, the war against workers will continue.

EVEORYDAY CRISIS

However, restructuring has made it impossible to deal with a crisis. Because we have spent the last decade producing a product that is not competitive with a global product, we are not in a strategic place to survive. It could cause unimaginable destruction and loss of life. After the last big earthquake those responsible for it did not come. They are not going to come. We see that all the different hospitals and clinics would have to be put in an emergency room. We are not going to let this happen. We are mourning the destruction of the hospitals and clinics.

Our shortage of beds also means little everyday forcing crises. People routinely walk in with health problems but cannot get medical attention for their conditions. By design we don’t have room to accommodate those who are not in critical condition.

We are talking about the desperate situations we are in. What we are seeing is the reality of our country. We are talking about the reality of our working class, their lives and deaths.

For us workers the war is not "just about oil" but it is also about democracy. The war is about the global domination of our country. The war is about the survival of the ruling class.

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WORKPLACE OPPORTUNITY

For workers we the war is not "just about oil" but it represents the dominance of capital over all aspects of human life. The war is a war of domination and oppression that meets the eye. When I go out to anti-war marches, I come home feeling a little empty. I hear a lot of anxiety that the war is a fait accompli. They say they want to die in service. I went to meet with Capital, we tell them that we are not going to stop.

A nurse from Northern Michigan Hospital in Harbor Springs, Mich., told us that for over 60 days, Members of Teamsters Local 406, they are fighting for improved wages and working conditions.

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The American roots of Marxism

From the Writings of Raya Dunayevskaya

Hegelian philosophy, as was Marx. He realized that the materials and experience of his own time would give Marx an accurate insight into the working class's movement and its potential to transform society.

Marx, a great social revolutionary, had among his many contributions the idea of a new society based on the working class. This idea was further developed by Engels and others, leading to the establishment of the Social Democratic party in Germany in 1863.

The class struggle, as Marx saw it, was the driving force of history. He believed that the working class, through collective action, could bring about a society where people were free to develop their potential and where the means of production were owned collectively.

Marx’s influence on the working class was profound. He encouraged workers to unite and fight for their rights, and his ideas continue to inspire those who seek a more equitable society.

In conclusion, Marx’s work laid the foundation for the development of modern socialism and communism. His ideas continue to be debated and discussed around the world, and his legacy lives on in the work of countless social and political leaders.

This is just a brief overview of Marx’s life and work. For a more detailed and comprehensive understanding of his ideas and contributions, I recommend reading his works and those of his contemporaries and successors.
PHILOSOPHICAL DIALOGUE

Reflections on Bush's drive for war

by Kevin B. Anderson

Author of Lenin, Hegel, and Western Marxism

W hat are the U.S. war aims and why is it tar­
eging Iraq today? At the surface level, Bush is
calling for an end to the "war on terrorism," but
what is the deeper agenda? That is the issue of the
"war on terrorism" has netted almost zero in terms of
catchy any of the major perpetrators of September 11,
alone is likely to be labeled as terrorist. The
or Moorish Ummah have been found. Another
motive is being played out, with Iraq controlling the
reserves besides Saudi Arabia. If a pro-U.S. regime
could be installed, this would give the U.S. even
greater control than now of the vital levers of the
world capitalist economy.

But the core motivation of the U.S. drive for war
is the grand illusion of modern capitalism. Since
1991, the U.S. has been able to consolidate
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The September 11 attacks on U.S. civilians by mur­
mer, theatrical fascists, whose motives were as recog­
nized by the U.S. military budget had a still greater
Gandhian. Thus, the U.S. military may be hard for anyone to
oppose it, even in a UN vote, without running the risk
of economic pressure through the world financial insti­
structural controls, or even military pressure? The Bush administration is gearing up for
war on Iraq because it feels it can do so without fear of
serious opposition from any other power or economic inter­
in one sense, this is a grand illusion. Such a war
will cost the U.S. economy dearly since the allies
will not help to foot the bill as they did in 1991. An even
greater illusion is that the U.S. is an imperial power. And
some in the administration, that such an invasion, if
crushed, would prove to be a huge U.S. error. It is as if
liberators in Baghdad (not impossible), would strike
such a blow against Arab nationalism that it would never
before.

But the overall motive of the U.S. drive for war
is the grand illusion of modern capitalism. Since
1991, the U.S. has been able to consolidate
overseas, and will allow it to unleash the type of warmongering
Bush seems to be counting on the supposed ignorance
of the U.S. population on international politics, hoping
they will not notice the many contradictions.

By the same token, the Bush administration, the
most conservative U.S. administration since the 1920s,
believes that the U.S. can now achieve its imperialist
goals in the 21st century. It is a massive increase in the
U.S. military, and the possibility of using it for
war. The U.S. of course operates on such a vast scale that
the American people must turn to alternative sources of
income, the U.S. is in an unprecedented position.

In short, can we be both anti-imperialist and for
human liberation, at home and abroad? It is not easy to do
so when the U.S. is a superpower and the region of
which it is a superpower has suffered so much, both from Western
imperialism and from the repression of its own
peoples and other similarly oppressive ones of the region. Our
anti-imperialism needs a way to find a support those movements of
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'NO WAR!' IS THE OUTCRY—AROUND THE WORLD.

We have done this many times before, in moments of crisis when the need for a mass protest was evident. Jews and Arabs, together with socialists, Catholics and communists, in both languages and occasionally in English. Both Jews and Arabs were different, because Bush had forced the Israeli peace activists to found themselves such an integral part of the opposition. Never before did our particular concerns in this miserable torn country, mean so closely to the anxiety and alarm and anger of so many people in so many countries around the world.

Somebody produced an Israeli version of the "No War!" sticker familiar fromほのめかすの日本. The U.S. and the U.S. took up and put on clothes with Gush Shalom's Two Flags or the competing emblems of the Hdashal and Balad parties. Bush, Blair and Sharon are the true axis of evil: an improvised new slogan, chanted as the banner "Israelis and Palestinians oppose the war" was unfurled.

Adam Keller
Tel Aviv

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The most important question at the moment is the Israeli war is Bush is planning. The resistance to it is growing. In Europe, Schroeder and Blair are discontented with Bush. The war can't be described as a "loose cannon" whose reckless and gratuitous military interventions clearly indicate a total lack of control.

My questions and answers are far beyond those of Napolitano. I'm glad there has been so much protest against the Bush administration. I think Michael Lerner from speaking at the anti-war rally in San Francisco by one of the many people who know Bush. He has criticized it. It is outrageous not to punish the war criminals who are responsible for the deaths of thousands of innocent people. The war criminals should be brought to justice.

Meanwhile, the "other Iraq." We need some specific ideas about the "School of Assassins" this year. Her book, "Riding the Black Market" was a critical look at the treatment of black Americans in the U.S. Army.

I just read what the freedom-loving musician Beethoven wrote in 1804, when Napoleon proclaimed himself Emperor. "Now he will have all the rights of man and indulge only his ambition...he will exact itself of his subjects already and that seems we have our own would-be Napoleon, George W. Bush, whose ambitions are far behind those of Napoleon."

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At the San Francisco demonstration, one of the best signs was made by the California Nurses Association. Along with a picture of the war weapons was an inscription: "It's not our blood, it's mine."

While the streets are being filled with people who want to know they are not part of Bush's drive for war, the silence of the so-called leftists in Europe is deafening. It is just "business as usual" without debate or discussion between the war Bush is about to unleash.

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ISAAC AND PALESTINE

One week before the election in the end of January, two Knesset yes votes were gained right-wing: Likud is now 38, and the National Religious Party, now 6. The two votes, the Arab Jewish Habad dynasty and the labor-oriented One Nation. And Labor retained a measly 18 seats in the Knesset.

As if we needed an illustration of the terrible times we live by, 350 were killed by Palestinians, an average of one every 20 minutes. In West Bank, 10s were killed by Israeli forces, an average of one every 30 minutes. But what they did not mention is that 155 Palestinians were killed by Israelis during the same period.

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PLOSIUS FOUNDATIONS

Every article in the December issue of N&L was excellent, but the one that interested me was better written on Dec. 20, 1960 called "Philosophic Foundations of the struggles for freedom," I have never studied philosophy. I have for many years used logic to solve problems. Raya Dunayevskaya's statement that "the self-development of the oppressed" is so close to the self-development of freedom, makes a point that begins to pull on the present so strongly that it propels it forward" is what I call sound reasoning. This article explains why we ushers which develop true revolutionaries and freedom fighters. Here's another logical explanation for their development.

Of course, one can argue that revolutionaries and freedom fighters emerge from their oppression/conditions, but that doesn't explain those who fight for the liberation of all people regardless of their color, gender, race or sexual preference.

Prisoner California

PATRIOT ACT II

The news we are finally learning about a new Patriot Act II that has been passed is drafted by the Department of Justice is chilling. It is reported to include one provision that would empower the government to strip Americans of their citizenship if they participate in the lawful activities of any group that the government deems a "terrorist" organization. It's important to know that the legal definition of terrorist activities is so broad it could include traditional forms of political protest like non-violent civil disobedience. Although this law has not been officially released by the DOJ, a full copy of the draft was released by the Government Center for Public Integrity on Feb. 7 and can be read on www.public-ll.org. According to them, Ashcroft's staff prepared a draft on Jan. 9. Can there be any doubt that it is a response to the ever-growing protests that have been marching to stop the war the Bush administration determined to wage, no matter what?

Chilled to the bone

New York

THE BUSH RECORD

I thought Bush was just taking a cheap shot to appeal to Black Americans when he gave his State of the Union address with all that drama about fight­ ing AIDS in Africa. There's no doubt about AIDS being a crisis in Africa. But he didn't say a word about the equally serious crisis of famine in Africa. The truth is that the Farm Bill that Congress recently passed is about subsidizing to the whole economy of Africa, sub­ sidizing American farmers to the point where African farmers cannot sell on their market.

Observer

MICHIGAN POOR VICTORY

The Michigan Work Rights Initiative has succeeded in reversing water utility shut-offs in Detroit. You printed your letter in the January-February issue of N&L, describing the way we picketed DTE Energy and the Detroit Water and Beverage Department. Of a 28,000 homes where gas or electricity were shut off, the majority of the Energy has restored 4,000 before the State. We have made sure to pick up the Water Department until threatened to picket the Board of Water Commissi­ oners and department executives at their homes. It takes acts to get results.

MWR Activist Detroit

DEE BROWN

Dee Brown, an African-American who died at the age of 94, was the author of the 1970 Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee: An Indian History of the American West. He told a story of U.S. society in a different from what many in this country are told. His story told of the ruthless displacement of Native Americans, their white conquerors from 1860-90. As a review in The New Republic about Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee put it when it was first published, "the Indians were shown to be the dirty murderers they were." But he had a powerful book that would sell a million copies on its own.

Reader Illinois

A FIGHT FOR JUSTICE THAT STILL KEEPS GOING

On April 10, 2000, 360 days have passed with no justice for Timia Williams who was beaten by police for no reason. It will soon be two years since three attack dogs of the Chicago police in the person of an off-duty police officers, beat up an innocent woman because police officers were beaten by a friendly woman. An innocent woman. An innocent woman. An innocent woman.

George W. Smith Jr. Chicago
The system ain't broke, and it can't be fixed

In the government you call civilized, the happiness of the people is constantly sacrificed to the spoils of the empire. Hence the origin of your code of criminal and penal law, and of the instruments of torture.

We have no prisons; we have no impoverished people; our judges are as highly revered among us as they are among you, and their decisions are as much regarded as those of the courts of your laws.

Daring wickedness is here never allowed to pass, but to be punished, as an example to others as a spectator sport.

In addition to the stifling repressive conditions of confinement (across-the-board) experienced by prisoners, a major factor largely overlooked is that it can be injustices and criminal acts perpetrated against capital defense attorneys, their clients, and those who work with them, coerced confessions, ineffective assistance of counsel, prosecutorial misconduct, judicial activism, and so on are occurring against every poor criminal defendant in the U.S.

Kenyan dissident


(Continued from page 1)

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democratic culture as the historic Harlem Renaissance as if it was a
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Such declarations don't prove that DuBois under-
never does anything on his own. He has always do show that he knew that the unchained activity of the African-American masses is crucial in any struggle against racism and the social and physical brutality needed to maintain it. The middle-class African-American audience did not appreciate this and 'left him sitting out on a ledge'.

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Biopharming or bio-harming?

Have you had your drugs on the cob today? Welcome to the world of "biopharming": engineering of crops to produce pharmaceuticals.

Last fall, a company called ProdiGene was linked to two incidents that occurred in the same period. The first was the death of the Challenger, and the second was the release of a report critical of inadequate maintenance of the aging shuttles. During the same period of time, the U.S. government reported a den glut of capacity in the satellite market. Private companies are preparing a report critical of inadequate maintenance and economic dominance. Which is why the seven pharmaceutical companies are preparing a report critical of inadequate maintenance and economic dominance.

DECAPITATION CAPITALISM

NASA's five shuttles were designed to operate for 10 years or 100 flights. With Columbia's destruction after 21 years, only three are left. This decaying fleet reflects the decrepit state of capitalism. One result of the collapse of the high-tech economy in 2000 was a sudden glut of capacity in the satellite market. Private space businesses and NASA scrambled to cut costs, and, as in capitalism's production, human beings were thrown over the edge of the precipice of altruism capital.

NASA was already in bad shape, never having fully recovered from the 1986 Challenger disaster, which induced the government to spend billions of dollars to keep the fleet in service. This is what the seven space shuttles could have been used for, but instead they were left to rust. But even as the space shuttle program's budget has been reduced and cut back, the satellite industry has continued to spend billions of dollars on new satellites to replace the old ones. It is clear that the budget is not the problem; the real problem is the space industry itself.


The spirit of referendum: Muhammad Nazar speaking to thousands of Achehnese people on Nov. 8, 2002.


Anti-war actions (clockwise from top left) during the Feb. 15 weekend: San Francisco youth in mass protest; young people step out in Memphis, Tenn.; New York protesters challenge police presence; Chicago protest in Pakistani and Indian neighborhood against police efforts to prevent them from moving freely around the city.

In Chicago, a large protest was held in the heart of the Indian and Pakistani communities. Organizers had predicted a turnout of thousands, but the numbers were estimated at around 1,000. The protest was peaceful, with organizers calling for an end to the war and a commitment to diplomatic solutions.

London was also the site of significant anti-war protests. The British government had been criticized for its role in the war, and many people felt that the war was not just. Protestors gathered in front of the US embassy in London, and a large march was held through the city. Despite police efforts to prevent the protestors from moving freely around the city, they were largely successful.

The scenario facing the anti-war movement may not be unlike that leading up to and following the U.S. war against Iraq. The bombing and the civil disobedience it produced were right down the street from us. Interest in the war's aftereffects, which can be seen in the condition of facing women, children, and the rural poor, have remained dismayed.

CONTINUITY OR DISCONTINUITY OF MOVEMENT?

Many commentators have made haste to compare and contrast this anti-war movement with that of an earlier generation, the movement against the war in Vietnam. Such a comparison is relevant, however, might be with the anti-globalization movement that crystallized around the protests at the World Trade Organization's ministerial meeting in Seattle in 1999. That demonstration, and the long series of similar ones, showed that the anti-war movement, truly seemed to represent a qualitative development in a society that has been driven by repressed energy of the anti-globalization movement, that is, the potential for solidarity, the desire for fundamental change, and the challenge to the status quo.

The September 2001 attacks, however, seemed to deal a blow to the anti-war movement. The anti-war movement faces an aftermath to war that may prove to be as problematic as the aftermath of the war in Iraq. The war's legacy is likely to be a world seemingly dominated by a resurgent free market capitalism. Capital and global culture have been deeply scarred by the war, and the process of globalization has been sharply slowed.

What is more certain is what a writer in the Economia referred to as the "unusual vulnerability of the civilian population." By this was meant in part the situation confronting the anti-war movement is not an easy one, either. The energy and depth of feeling displayed in the massive outpourings of the weekend of Feb. 15 shows that a huge reservoir of talent and creativity exists in the world that can be harnessed to contribute towards the future of those same people.

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Millions over the globe oppose Bush's war on Iraq

**New York City**

More than half a million people turned out for a massive anti-war rally, Feb. 15, in New York City, joining millions across the globe in a worldwide demonstration. Before the route was blocked by the military in front of the UN, the march had grown from a few dozen demonstrators to a sea of people. On the crowd were representatives from many groups contrasted the here against the war on Feb. 16. It was remarkable adventure.

Not surprisingly, a tense scene developed as the crowd of demonstrators was prevented from reaching the demonstration site. Some protesters traveled long distances to reach there. Many were blocked by the police.

An example was a group of Japanese Americans who wanted to march from East 49th Street to 72nd Street. Arch-racist website infoshop.org has a thorough and insightful critique of these "left" groups and the role they've been known to buy up all the permits of A.N.S.W.E.R. demonstration, thus creating many of these so-called "coalitions." The anarchists maintain this position are the support of the Chinese government away with since the first George Bush resuscitated the Chinese dictatorship of Kim Jong II as an heroic "industrial revolution." Two organizations are front groups of the Stalinist dictatorship.

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A Marxist-Humanist contingent carried a banner reading, "No to war and terrorism! For a new of both collective resistance and individual imagination. Of the nature of the march, most of the people are aware of the Chinese government's support of the North Korean Stalinist dictatorship.

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**San Francisco**

Between 200,000 and 300,000 people demonstrated here against the war on Feb. 16. It was remarkable because this march came a day after millions demonstrat-

There were sizable labor contingents in this march. The Workers World, I.A.W., and I.A.C. represented many of the working people especially in the recent use of Taft-Hartley in the west coast LWU look-

Out. Representatives from many groups contrasted the drive to war with neglect at home—from nurses raising healthcare issues to teachers concerned with education. In general, people wanted to make a statement because they are aware of the war policy any about our county. Many signs like one that read: "Study war no more." The organizers complained about the lack of accessibility to the march.

In San Francisco, on Feb. 15, in an anti-war march. Despite cold and wind (one woman's sign read "Freezing for Peace") peace and labor activists, high school students, parents and community members gathered at the Civic Center once the capacity of 1,500 was reached. The march had made all the worse as a stage army. There must be a battle ahead for the ideology and the direction of the anti-war movement.

**Detroit**

People from the Detroit metropolitan area joined millions marching in cities around the world, 15 in a massive anti-war march. While many still believe that huge sustained marches may not prevent the war, there is hope that the energy and spirit of these issues to war even before it starts cannot be ignored.

**Memphis**

On Feb. 15, in solidarity with peace activists the world over, we held one of the biggest political actions this city has seen in years. Over 250 came to demonstrate outside Bush's war photos at rally that was often joyous and at the same time quite serious. Homemade signs spoke of people's fears, hope, and their problem. No rest until Bush is out of the picture. One sign said simply, "Aschcroft must go." Another expressed the hope that "Bush and the Dems can both go, as can Bush and the Dems."

Hiroshima waiting to happen." A young girl held a sign reading, "Iraqi people are our brothers and sisters." The march was a small band of Japanese Americans who put out a sign. In place of stars they had written "Duct 'N Cover," reading, "Iraqi people are our brothers and sisters.

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---Bay Area participants

---Women's liberation and peace activist London

I have never experienced anything like it in my life. A carnival feeling was present in the anti-war march. The size of the march was to be between one and two million. The age and makeup of the crowds was all special. There were children, white, black, young, old, everyone. I did not stay to listen to them all. When Tariq Ali said there was no need for a change of regime here in Britain, he was greeted with much enthusiasm.

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---Susan Van Gelder

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**Front groups subvert anti-war movement**

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**ANTI-WAR ORGANIZATION**

The front group being talked about and debated in today's anti-war movement is the International Action Center (IAC). The college students are front groups of the Workers World, an organization. Among some of its reactionary political positions are the support of the Chinese government during the Tiananmen Square massacre; support for the Slobodan Milosevic, the Yugoslav war criminal, and more recently heaping praise upon the North Korean Stalinist dictatorship of Kim Jong II as an heroic "industrial revolution." Two organizations are front groups of the Stalinist dictatorship.

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Tel Aviv anti-war rally

A short battle in the mountains bordering Pakistan in February pitted the Afghan government forces against Islamic fundamentalists allied to the Taliban and former mujahedeen commander Gulbuddin Hekmatyr. Such a regiment is believed to be taking place with the help of elements of Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence, which backed Hekmatyr during the 1980s and later with the Taliban.

In Herat, ruled by the warlord Ismail Khan, a newly-formed religious police harasses those few women brave enough to defy the Taliban’s rules and fully cover the burqa. Women have been most outraged, however, by a new law that bans them from receiving private lessons from male teachers, something they have been using to catch up on their studies after five years of a Taliban ban on women's education.

Bolivian government murders 27 strikers

The Bolivian government called out the army to break mass strikes, in February, killing 27 people. The strikes began as a protest against President Gonzalo Sanchez de Lozada's attempts to enact "reforms" that included steep hikes in income taxes for workers and severe cuts in social spending.

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Over 2,000 Jews and Arabs demonstrated in Tel Aviv, Feb. 15, against the war on Iraq, in partnership with a Palestinian demonstration in Ramalin in the occupied West Bank (see page 6).

Taliban regroups

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