

Interview with Chairman Barry Weisberg and Vice Chairwoman Leoduris Rose on Their International Travel

European Parties Advance Class Struggle, Battle Modern Revisionism

The following interview was conducted by UNITE! with comrades Barry Weisberg and Leoduris Rose, Chair and Vice Chair, respectively, of the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Organizing Committee. The comrades recently returned from extensive discussions with various Marxist-Leninist parties and national liberation movements in Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Asia.

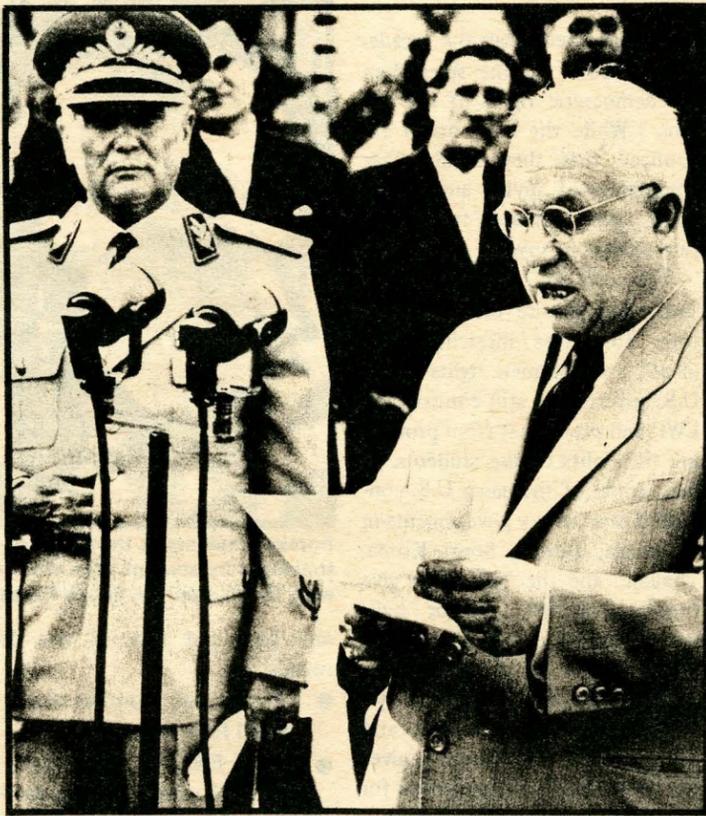
In our first interview, (UNITE!, July 15) we discussed the development of the class struggle in the advanced capitalist countries of Europe. In this interview we will talk about the influence of revisionism in those countries and then present some conclusions about the prospects for revolution there.

UNITE! : What is the role of Soviet social-imperialism in the European countries you visited?
MLOC : Since the restoration of capitalism in the U.S.S.R. in the middle 1960's, the Soviet Union has been transformed into a social-imperialist power (socialist in words, imperialist in deeds). Now it and the U.S. represent the main danger to the people of the world. Certainly this is obvious in Europe. Through C.M.E.A. (Council of Mutual Economic Assistance), and the Warsaw Pact, the Soviet Union aggressively dominates the various revisionist-ruled countries of Eastern Europe and directs its aggression against the proletariat and oppressed masses of the entire European continent.

With its increasing export of capital, its strident military build-ups and its constant threats and bullying under the guise of "detente" and "balance of forces" the Soviet Union is everywhere revealing its true capitalist and imperialist colors. The proletariat is less and less fooled by the Soviets' socialist pretensions.

UNITE! : What role does Khrushchevite revisionism play in these countries?

MLOC : Khrushchevite revisionism is the main form of modern revisionism in the world today, and the greatest danger to the proletariat and revolutionary masses. From this foul nest has sprung all the various varieties



Tito of Yugoslavia (left) and Nikita Khrushchev (right) of the U.S.S.R. set out to restore capitalism in their countries and undermine the international revolutionary movement.

of revisionist theories, such as Eurocommunism and the theory of the "three worlds". Fewer parties in western Europe still remain faithful to the Kremlin today, but more important is the ideological influence of class collaboration fostered by Khrushchevite revisionism within the ranks of the proletariat.

In Portugal, the Khrushchevite revisionists outnumber the Marxist-Leninists of the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstituted) but their numbers do not translate into mass support from the workers. At a recent meeting of the PCP(R) commemorating the 25th anniversary of the death of Joseph Stalin, many older members of the revisionist party attended. This is an indication of the great love and respect for Stalin that the revisionist chieftains cannot squelch.

UNITE! : What is the significance of "Eurocommunism"?

MLOC : The Eurocommunists, such as Berlinguer of Italy,

Marchais of France and Cabrillo of Spain, and all the likes of them, serve today more than anything to reconcile communism with capitalism. They represent class collaboration, and have nothing to do with the communism of Marx.

In reality, though they appear to have important differences with Moscow, these differences represent minor feuding among thieves. They pursue a common aim with Brezhnev and Tito: to undermine the revolutionary workers' movement and to preserve the dictatorship of the bourgeoisie. They have achieved some important influence among the masses in Europe, which is a reflection of the great aid they receive from the capitalists themselves, such as the Christian Democrats in Italy.

Even though Cabrillo in Spain has some influence among the masses, the fact that the Communist Party of Spain (ML) distributes clandestinely 130,000 copies of *Vanguardia Obrera* is a sure sign of the eventual demise of the Eurocommunists.

UNITE! : Is there support for the theory of the "three worlds" in Europe?

MLOC : In every country, there are those who seek to reconcile the proletariat with its own bourgeoisie and try to prettify this with some fanciful theories about defending national independence. For example, they support the buildup of NATO, which is aimed first and foremost not at the Soviet Union, but at enabling the dictatorship of the bourgeoisie in Europe to hold back the revolutionary upsurge of the proletariat.

In Scandinavia, because of its long history of rule by social-democracy, the theory of the "three worlds" has achieved some influence. In France, the reactionary Humanite Rouge, who sup-

ports the theory of the "three worlds", has taken to physical attacks against the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile, which along with other actions, has only isolated it from the working masses. But in Europe as a whole this theory which preaches to the proletariat to unite with the European bourgeoisie, is condemned as a caricature of Marxism.

UNITE! : What are the prospects for revolution in the capitalist countries of Europe?

MLOC : The Marxist-Leninist parties of these countries are taking extremely important steps to prepare the proletariat and its allies for revolution in the struggle against the two superpowers and their own reactionary bourgeoisies. One powerful expression of this is the activity to build the revolutionary trade union movement, working both inside and outside of the reformist unions. Powerful united front organizations, organizations of youth, women and workers, work in the bourgeois military and the development of Albania Friendship

Associations — all testify to the advancement of the class struggle.

Everywhere, we were extremely impressed and encouraged with the Marxist-Leninist parties' Bolshevik steadfastness and concrete application of Marxist-Leninist principles to the concrete conditions of their own countries.

In some countries the class struggle is extremely sharp, such as in Portugal and Spain. In all countries, while the capitalist class is taking desperate measures to try to mislead and divide the proletariat and its allies, profound re-alignments are taking place in favor of the proletariat and its allies.

The unity and fighting strength of the proletariat is steadily being strengthened. And with the Marxist-Leninist parties taking their rightful vanguard role, there is every reason to recognize that revolution is not just an aspiration or a dream, but a practical question to be taken up and solved in the advanced capitalist countries. ★

Communist Party of China Lavishes New Praise on Yugoslavia

The current leadership of the Communist Party of China has now finished revising its once correct stand towards the Yugoslav traitors. For years, the CPC along with other genuine Marxist-Leninist parties fought against any views that promoted Yugoslavia as a socialist country or Yugoslav President Josip Tito as a communist.

But all that has been put aside, and now the CPC lavishes praise and comradely greetings on the League of Communists of Yugoslavia. They have gone so far as to promote the view that socialism is strong and growing in Yugoslavia. "The League of Communists of Yugoslavia has established a socialist self-management system suited to the conditions at home, roused the socialist initiative of the working class and promoted the rapid development of the national economy." (*Peking Review*, No.25, June 23, 1978)

Have things changed so dramatically in Yugoslavia? Have they renounced the capitalist road they were on? No, nothing has changed in Yugoslavia. It is still a capitalist country and the League of Communists is still a revisionist party. The only thing changed is the position taken by the Chinese Communist Party.

The latest elevation of Tito and Yugoslavia by the CPC is a sight the imperialists welcome. It serves the imperialist camp well, because it sows confusion in the ranks of the working class by not differentiating between capitalism and



President Tito of Yugoslavia is a long-time enemy of communism.

socialism. The oppression of nations in Yugoslavia, high unemployment, the huge national debt and inflation are all manifestations of capitalism in Yugoslavia. Yet the current leadership of the CPC chooses to ignore the long-standing evidence and instead gives credence to the revisionists' claim that Yugoslavia is a socialist country.

Unity with the Yugoslav traitors is a betrayal of Marxism-Leninism and the revolutionary people of the world. The correct stand towards Tito and Yugoslavia remains unchanged. There are no new conditions that have changed the basic Marxist-Leninist determination of capitalist countries and socialist countries. Tito remains a traitor to the international working class and Yugoslavia is still a capitalist country.

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