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PEOPLE'S TRIBUNE

"The Communist's ideal should not be a trade-union secretary, but a tribune of the people, able to react to every manifestation of tyranny and oppression." Lenin



BLOODY SPAIN

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ASSASSIN FORD

On a recent campaign trip to Chicago, President Ford broke all afternoon rush-hour speed records on the trip from the airport to a downtown hotel. Of course, he had a little help from the local police who made it possible by barring all traffic from the world's busiest expressway. Scores of secret service agents kept busy arresting everyone with their hands in their pockets within a mile of the hotel. This latest episode was just another in the exciting career of the bullet-proof wearing "man of the people". And this comic strip scenario would certainly be laughable if it were not for the deadly serious course this "comedy" is following.

In the wake of the assassination attempts on Ford, tons of propaganda have flowed out about the new threat of "female terrorists", about roving bands of "fanatics", about the need for disarming the civilian population and reenforcing the police and secret services, about courts that are too "easy" on criminals. It is certainly no accident that all this is happening exactly at a time when much heat has been put on the wanton illegal acts of such government agencies as the CIA and FBI. And on the heels of such manufactured hysteria, we can now see that the government's solution is to "protect democracy" by stripping away what little is left of our rights.

At a time when the economic crisis has stirred deep outrage and disgust with the present administration, with the ominous stirring of the growing army of unemployed workers and with the recent moves to ban the busing of school children and condemn the national minority children to second class education, Ford's shenanigans add up to nothing less than another step towards the open military-type rule of fascism — all in the name of "protecting" our unelected President.

Historically, the bourgeoisie has grabbed at every opportunity to rouse a storm of anti-communism and white chauvinism, especially in time such as they face today. While spending much time harping on the fear of assassinations by the "lunatic fringe" it has been made clear time and again that what the bourgeoisie really fears is proletarian revolution. In a recent series of statements Ronald Reagan, spokesman for reaction, clearly linked Lynette Fromme and Sara Moore, as members of the "revolution". He went on to say that we "do not need hand gun control, but control of the revolutionaries."

As for the threats on the life of the president, the humor again pales when compared to the real terroristic history of the USNA imperialists — the financiers who built their empire on the rape of Africa, the slave trade, the slaughter of the Indian peoples, the theft of the land and peoples of Mexico, the stranglers of revolution throughout Latin America, the butchers of Korea, the proud papas of Ky and Thieu, and more recently the killers of Allende and the masterminds

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FREE THE NEGRO NATION

In a recent move by Congress to curb busing by prohibiting HEW from cutting off federal education funds as a means of forcing schools to bus students to schools other than those nearest to their homes, we see the concerted effort by the bourgeoisie to bring a halt to busing altogether. Some people may be confused by this apparent "turn-about" in the government's attitude toward busing for desegregation purposes, but it conforms perfectly to their push to drive the Negroes down to the level of semi-slavery and the Anglo-American down to the level of the Negro.

The United States government has always been pictured as the fighter for democracy. Under the banner of "Save the World for Democracy" the U.S. fought World War I. "Stop German Fascism" was the slogan of the second World War. And during the bloodiest and costliest days of the Vietnam war, our people were told that the war would allow the Vietnamese the "right to self-determination". How then could a government so steeped in "democracy" be the enforcer of segregation, discrimination and national oppression. They could not, at least on the surface. So we saw the struggle for "integration" during the 60's, particularly in the South, gain certain concessions from the imperialists. The struggle for integrated buses, lunchrooms, toilet facilities, etc., seemed to end in victory. Even in some places in the South, they began "integrating" the schools. We all remember Little Rock, Arkansas, where President Eisenhower sent in federal troops to ensure that desegregation took place. The government openly took a stand for "integration" and "protected" the rights of the Negro people, or so it appeared. This begs the question, why, why were the imperialists so intent on seeing the process of "integration" move towards fulfillment? The answer lies in the industrialization of the South, which simultaneously with the Civil Rights movement was taking place. The shops of the North were "running away" South, running away to cheap labor, non-unionized shops and easier tax laws. And as the South industrialized, the problem of segregation presented itself to the capitalists. It was not only costly for him to retain segregated work places, but most importantly not to his advantage. He needed the labor of the Negro masses, and from the farms they fled into the cities to take advantage of the job opportunities. Understanding that at least in part segregation would hurt this rapid industrialization, the government took steps to insure that certain barriers were broken. Their facade of democracy and freedom had to be maintained if their profits were to increase.

Has the situation changed? Yes it has. The bourgeoisie, their capitalist state, no longer need to "integrate", particularly in the North. In fact, integration is harmful to them, for it creates the conditions of unity among the working class. Whereas in the South the struggle for "integration"

was to break down the age-old Jim Crow laws which prohibited "integration" and enforced segregation, the capitalists have successfully segregated the North without the laws. The "democracy" of our government has been formal democracy at best. And with the Vietnam war over, they no longer need their facade of the "fighter for democracy!" The bourgeoisie is quickly shedding their "democratic" skin for an open terroristic state form, fascism. It is clear who is behind the violence of the KKK or ROAR, it is the capitalists themselves. It is their capitalist state which is whipping up the national chauvinism and instigating the violence in the streets of Boston and Louisville. When the police patrolled the streets of Louisville, they carried signs on their motorcades reading "Stop Busing". When the police commander was asked if this was illegal, he answered of course, but it cools the crowd down. Since he assumed the presidency, Ford has openly come out against busing. The forces of reaction are consolidating. The fascists are attempting to stop busing with violence.

The Communist Labor Party has always said that the struggle for busing was a struggle for the liberation and equality of the Negro people and the Negro national minority. And we have supported the struggle for busing and integration. But integration under capitalism is not possible. Equality and freedom are not possible under this oppressive and exploitative system. This is so because of the colonial enslavement of the Negro Nation. Colonial peoples carry with them their national oppression wherever they go. Second-class citizen is the highest classification that the colonial worker can achieve. Integration can't work, because unequals cannot be integrated. Equality and freedom can only be achieved when all oppressed peoples are set free from the imperialist bondage. And the worker in the oppressor nation can never be free from imperialism as long as it oppresses other nations. The struggle for independence for the Negro Nation and the struggle for socialism are inseparably linked.

The change in the tactics of the bourgeoisie must be clear for all to see. The struggle has been transformed into a struggle against the capitalist state itself.

The understanding that this is a temporary setback for the Negro people in their struggle for independence places certain tasks on the shoulders of the communists. We must note that a certain demoralization will set in for the many who have fought so hard for this reform. But we must also note that there will be workers who will not give up this fight, who will continue the battle against all odds; the vanguard workers, the practical leaders of our class who will meet the tit-for-tat battle that the imperialists are presenting them with. It is these workers we must reach out to and explain that busing, integration, social equality and freedom are only possible under one system, socialism. We must turn this temporary defeat into a victory for the proletarian revolution and

recruit into our ranks these steadfast fighters.

We are not saying that the fight for equality is over. What we are saying is that the state is rapidly moving towards fascism, and using the Negro people as their scapegoat, as Hitler used the Jews, are unleashing a reign of terror against the Negro people. It is in a period such as this, that we must gather all the forces of progress and democracy to the side of the proletarian revolution.

The struggle to free the Negro Nation, whether in the form of busing, against job or housing discrimination and for social equality will continue! The task that lies ahead is to imbue these fighting forces with the ideas of communism and turn the spontaneous struggle into a conscious fight for the only system which can offer equality and justice for all, socialism.!

FREE PUERTO RICO

On November 1, 1950, a Puerto Rican commando composed of Griselio Torresola and Oscar Collazo attacked Blair House, temporary residence of President Harry Truman. It was Truman who, months before, had ordered the colonial government in Puerto Rico to totally eliminate the Nationalists, including Don Pedro Albizu Campos.

In commemoration of the attack and in solidarity with the Puerto Rican people, we are reprinting the program of the Committee for the Freedom of the Puerto Rican Political Prisoners.

As a result of all these repressive acts a committee has been formed in New York: Committee for the Freedom of the Puerto Rican Nationalist Prisoners. This committee fills an existing void, since at this time there is no organized force in the United States whose primary responsibility is to struggle for the unconditional release of these Puerto Rican political prisoners. The work of this committee is guided by 3 basic principles of unity:

1) The right of Puerto Rico—as well as the right of all nations—to be free and independent.

2) The unconditional release of the Puerto Rican nationalist political prisoners.

3) International solidarity with all political prisoners of struggling nations against all forms of oppression.

All individuals and organizations that accept these principles of unity, and are willing to honestly and consistently work for the unconditional freedom of these five defenders of Puerto Rico's right to independence are hereby invited to immediately join the work of this committee.

At the present time, our work is focusing on:

1) The formation of committees or local groups in New York, as well as in other cities and states, with the objective of making known to the people the case of the 5 Nationalist prisoners, and mobilize people to demand their unconditional release.

2) The preparation and distribution of educational materials about the Nationalists (pamphlets, flyers, posters, buttons, etc.)

3) The planning of a national action for Saturday, Nov. 1, 1975, to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the attack on Blair House.

EL GRITO DE LARES

(This article, translated from the Spanish, was submitted to the *People's Tribune* by the Independent University Youth in Puerto Rico. In commemoration of the 23 of September, known as El Grito de Lares, and the 30th of October known as La Revolucion de Jayuya, we print this article. The struggle for national liberation in Puerto Rico is an inseparable struggle of the proletariat in Anglo-American and the Negro Nation. We salute the Puerto Rican people and pledge our unceasing dedication to the struggle for a free and independent Puerto Rico.)

One of the most important dates for those fighting for the independence of Puerto Rico is September 23. On that date we celebrate the most important and significant armed uprising in our history as a colony of the Spanish empire.

Even when that armed uprising was quickly subdued by the metropolis' armed forces, it represented the most heroic example of the Puerto Rican national bourgeoisie at a time in world history when the revolutionary role of the bourgeoisie as a class was disappearing.

It is important to note that it is in the first decade of the 19th century that the independence struggles in Latin America were beginning to develop. At a time when almost the whole continent had overthrown the decaying Spanish empire, our country was still subjected to colonial rule. Nonetheless our national bourgeoisie had attempted revolutionary struggles prior to 1868, although they were small in magnitude and importance. That doesn't mean that the Grito de Lares was an uprising of tremendous magnitude, but it certainly was the major one in all that period of our history.

In Lares, we observed the uprising process of the national bourgeoisie, of capitalism, of a new nation, the Puerto Rican nation.

Since a nation is not only an "historical category, but a historical cate-

gory in a determined period, the period of ascending capitalism." (Stalin) Puerto Rico conformed to this process of developing nations when the decaying Spanish empire was disintegrating and developing alongside of this was the international forces in Puerto Rico, the development of capitalism. Therefore, it is in the 19th century that capitalism begins to develop and that the Puerto Rican nation begins to develop.

What is the importance of the above mentioned? Since our national bourgeoisie began to rise in the 19th century, it is natural that it should be weak both numerically and economically. The inevitable result is its weak development as a class. In Stalin's words, "The strength of the national movement is determined by the degree of participation of the nation's broadest sections, the proletariat and the peasants."

Due to its weakness and lack of experience as a class in the revolutionary struggle, due to its' oppression and repression by the metropolis, our bourgeoisie conceived the armed struggle in a conspirative character apart from the participation of the broad sectors of the nation, (in our case fundamentally the peasants) and to openly confront the military forces of a decaying empire, but still strong in Puerto Rico.

With a force of approximately 2,000 poorly armed men who walked from diverse parts of the country, the revolutionaries plunged into the town of Lares proclaiming a Republic and declared a government. The following day, all the major battles were fought in San Sebastian where a battalion of 700 men was annihilated. That marked the end of the revolution, the Republic, and the bourgeoisie as a revolutionary class. The revolutionary peak of our bourgeoisie was expressed on that 23 of September. But at the same time, its ability as a class to win its independence, ended.

Since 1868 to the present, Albizu's, Hostos' and Betances' nationalist ideol-

ogy has been the ideological base of the national movement. This nationalism kept alive the ideals of independence during the first decades of Yankee imperialist colonial control.

During the period from 1898 (year of the USNA military intervention) until the end of the 1950's, the predominant ideology of our separatist struggle was nationalism. Our national bourgeoisie practically disappeared because of imperialist penetration and the idea of independence became the banner of the remnants of that class and of certain sectors of the petty bourgeoisie.

Appealing to society's dispossessed sectors and making their cause appear to those below them as the people's cause, the petty bourgeoisie drags behind sectors that at one time represented a real political force of electoral importance in the country. In 1952, the Popular Democratic Party (Autonomous) won 431,409 votes, the Puerto Rican Independent Party won 126,228 votes and the Republican State Party (Assimilatst) won 85,591 votes.

During this period, the development of the capitalist forces of production began a process of proletarianization in the urban centers, of the peasantry; while it also began dispersing the peasantry to the large cities and to the USNA

The acceleration of this process, eliminating semi-feudal economic remnants, alongside the capitalist development, brings forth a series of structural changes that affect the correlation of political forces in the country.

To speak of "raza", "hispantry", the "culture", the "flag", etc. now gets no response from the people. Those that pretended to move the people, have lost their force. Independists start marching towards the ranks of the Autonomist and Assimilationist Movements. The petty bourgeoisie and "national bourgeoisie" are in a political crisis. The national liberation struggle without a revolutionary content, which only the working class with its ideology can give it, is not a real alternative for the vast majority of people.

Faced with the failure of the bourgeoisie and petty bourgeoisie to lead

the independent movement, it decides to go its own way by the end of the 60s. Defending its class interests at all costs, the Independent Movement pushes towards drawing in the workers. On the one hand, its object was to give consistency to its movement, and on the other hand, to try to prevent the "masses" from acquiring real class consciousness, thereby retarding the time when these "masses" would take the lead of the independent movement into their own hands.

Veiling its nationalist essence and speaking about the "socialism" it demands for the working class, it gives the independence struggle an apparent Marxist and socialist content. It is true that their positions represent a tremendous advance, in contrast to their former positions, and it is true that their programmatic demands respond to the concept of a more advanced political order than the present capitalist-colonial one, but even so, they do not respond to a new economic form where the workers have the economic, political, and social apparatus in their hands.

The historic absence of a real working class party, equipped with scientific socialism as its ideology, has caused a tremendous vacuum in our struggle.

That is one of the principal reasons that the Independent Movement is in the hands of the petty bourgeoisie. A major consequence of the lack of a Communist Party is the relatively scarce integration of the working class in the independence struggle, and the instability and crisis that the Independence Movement is going through. An example of the low degree of consciousness by our working class is the fact that even for a mere struggle for unionization, only 20% have been organized into unions.

The major political activity with a radical content has been the universities and not the industrial centers. The former student leaders and not the workers in the main lead the principal Independent Movements; the major part of the militancy comes from the ranks of the petty bourgeoisie.

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BLOODY SPAIN

The September 27th execution of five Spanish guerrillas by the Franco dictatorship, and the multiple consequences that have arisen as a result of the bloody killings, underscore the increasing weakness and isolation of the 36-year old fascist regime. Even in the face of repeated protests and pleas from European leaders (including those of Pope Paul VI) to spare the lives of those condemned after summary trials, no appeal, long imprisonment where extensive torture was used, and other legal "irregularities", the fascist dictatorship went ahead with the criminal murders of three members of the Patriotic Revolutionary Anti-Fascist Front (F.R.A.P.), a Marxist urban guerrilla organization: Ramon Garcia Sanz, Jose Luis Sanchez Bravo, and Jose Baena Alonso; and two militants of the Basque revolutionary nationalist E.T.A. organization, another Marxist liberation group which is currently struggling to free the Basque nation from fascist oppression: Angel Otaegui and Juan Paredes. As a "humanitarian" gesture the Franco regime pardoned six others, including two pregnant women yet even now, the fascist jails remain overburdened with political prisoners of which 30-32 alleged "terrorists" potentially risk the maximum sentence for their courageous resistance to Franco's totalitarian regime.

The executions no doubt were conceived by Franco right-wing hard-liners as a response to the rapidly growing democratic opposition forces in the country, particularly among labor organizations where progressive elements have grown both qualitatively and quantitatively in the last few years. As such, the government kill-

ings would have been an "exemplary" action designed to intimidate and frighten the democratic opposition, but the balance of forces is changing quickly to the disadvantage of the regime. The recently-held union elections were overwhelmingly won by the outlawed Worker's Committees, the only democratic representation open to the working classes and which contain all of the progressive labor leaders. Strikes have multiplied in recent months, and now reach sectors where such actions would have been previously unthinkable. The recent general newspaper strike in Barcelona is such an example. In addition to growing popular animosity against the repressive regime in most parts of Spain, the Basque country in particular has been the scene of a bitter struggle that has pitted Basque freedom fighters against the military occupation of those provinces. Hundreds of Basques are currently held in jails throughout the Spanish territory, for they have undergone torture "on a massive scale" as Amnesty International reported on September 29 in a well-documented paper. The strength of this Marxist led liberation movement has contributed powerfully to the country's democratic forces. The Franco regime clearly demonstrated its alarm by reviving in April 1975 the long outdated "anti-terrorist" laws of 1939; laws decreed at a critical time when the fascist victors faced continued guerrilla struggle at home.

There are other important elements in the current Spanish political situation. The events in Portugal have alarmed Spanish "ultras" and there is

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FREE OLGA

It is almost a year since Olga Talamante, a Mexican national minority woman was arrested with 11 Argentinians in the wake of the State of Siege declared by Isabella Peron's government. The State of Siege legalized what had already been going on under Peron himself—mass arrests and shootings of workers, trade unionists, political activists, students and peasants.

Olga's story is similar to that of other courageous fighters of our class. A farmworker's daughter, Olga was raised in Gilroy California, living the harsh life of most farmworkers picking the produce with cold numb fingers in the mornings while sweat and thorns covered her by the afternoon. But she fought back against that kind of life. She was an active fighter in the farmworker's struggle, and for the rights of the Mexican national minority for a better life without fear of speaking Spanish, or of being thrown off the land that was once theirs—a life that all workers should have with jobs and without fear of dying in a war that only the capitalists will gain from.

Her struggle against the unjust suffering of capitalism's victims was not confined to this country, for in Argentina she and her companions participated actively in literacy and educational programs in the low-income neighborhoods of Azul. It was in Azul that the police raided a bar-b-que with the excuse that under the State of Siege no more than four persons could be gathered at the same place. They accused Olga and her companions of possessing "subversive literature" and two .45 caliber pistols—an unproven charge since there was evidence that

the weapons were planted by the police. Last week Olga and her companions were convicted and given three years in jail. She is appealing her sentence, for her real "crime" was her battle for a better life for the Argentinian people.

The torture Olga endured being strapped naked to a bed while the police applied electric shocks to her body and beat her are examples of the cold-blooded tortures that the Argentinian people are subjected to. Under the fascist regime all progressive sectors of society feel its blows. Reporters attempting to cover the recent army activities have been arrested. Two lawyers appointed to defend Olga received death threats and declined to take the case. Fascism means decay and death. But workers do not accept it idly, the support for Olga and her 11 companions is an example of that. Throughout Mexico, the USNA, and Argentina, outraged masses have demonstrated their support for Olga and the burning desire for freedom that she represents.

When her family heard of her arrest they mobilized and appealed to the US State Department to act on her behalf. Due to mass protests by workers, labor leaders, farmworkers, church people, congressmen, professors, and the press, the USNA government promises to release her, but has done nothing about it.

The workers must do something about it. The Olga Talamante Defense Committee is asking people to do the following: 1) send letters and telegrams demanding Olga's release, 2) pass resolutions of support from your organizations, 3) inform others

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WHAT IS SOCIALISM

OCTOBER REVOLUTION

This November 7 will mark the 58th anniversary of the world-changing October Revolution that established the Soviet Union in 1917. Joseph Stalin, in a speech on the 10th anniversary of the revolution, put forth its basic significance:

"The October Revolution cannot be regarded merely as a revolution 'within national bounds.' It is, primarily, a revolution of an international world order; for it signifies a radical turn in the world history of mankind, a turn from the old, capitalist world to the new, socialist world.

Revolutions in the past usually ended by one group of exploiters at the helm of government being replaced by another group of exploiters. The exploiters changed, exploitation remained. Such was the case during the liberation movements of the slaves. Such was the case during the period of the well-known 'great' revolutions in England, France and Germany. I am not speaking of the Paris Commune, which was the first glorious, heroic, yet unsuccessful attempt on the part of the proletariat to turn history against capitalism.

The October Revolution differs from these revolutions in principle. Its aim is not to replace one form of exploitation by another form of exploitation, one group of exploiters by another group of exploiters, but to establish the dictatorship of the proletariat, to establish the power of the most revolutionary class of all the oppressed classes that have ever existed, to organize a new classless, socialist society.

It is precisely for this reason that the victory of the October Revolution signifies a radical change in the history of mankind, a radical change in the historical destiny of the world proletariat, a radical change in the methods of struggle and the forms of organization, in the manner of life and traditions, in the culture and ideology of the exploited masses throughout the world.

That is the basic reason why the October Revolution is a revolution of an international, world order." ("The International Character of the October Revolution", J. Stalin, *Marxism and the National-Colonial Question*, Proletarian Publishers, 1975, pp. 372-373)

The October Revolution has charted a new path for the world to follow. The building of socialism in the Soviet Union, the formation of the Third Communist International, the heroic victory over the fascists at the cost of 20 million lives, the joining of the proletarian revolution with the national liberation movements of the oppressed peoples; these mighty achievements of the Soviet people, the Soviet State, and the Communist Party of the Soviet Union (Bolshevik), are immeasurable contributions to the history of the world. Only fools and charlatans would now say that these contributions have now ended due to the temporary strength of revisionism in the CPSU (B).

This history and these contributions have not been forgotten or forsaken either by the people of the world or by the people of the Soviet Union. We salute the 58th anniversary of the most important event of modern times. The red banner of the October Revolution will soon fly over the entire world!

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a noticeable fear of contamination from the longtime, faithful, and passive brother, suddenly "out of hand" and on its road to socialist revolution. Likewise, in the last few months, there have been clear signs of splits within the Spanish military, and the arrests of several young officers have been reported. A secret opposition document is currently circulating

A revolutionary Party in the modern world can no longer be a small group of dedicated heroes prepared to sacrifice themselves to bring about the necessary changes in the social order. Frederick Engels, one of the greatest thinkers of human history and with Karl Marx, co-founder of our movement, said as early as 1895,

"The times of surprise attacks, of revolutions carried through by small conscious minorities at the head of unconscious masses, is past. Where it is a question of a complete transformation of the social organization, the masses themselves must also be in it, must themselves already have grasped what is at stake, what they are going in for (with body and soul). The history of the last fifty years has taught us that. But in order that the masses may understand what is to be done, long, persistent work is required, and it is just this work which we are now pursuing..."

For many decades, no political group or Party has made a real effort to introduce the masses of workers to the ideas of socialism, to teach them that it is their system, as surely as the capitalist system belongs to and operates in favor of the capitalists.

We of the CLP see this as a number one task of our fledging Party. We recognize that the process of building the revolutionary movement is the process of imbuing the masses with the spirit of socialism, teaching them to love socialism, to defend it and to sacrifice for it.

WHAT IS SOCIALISM?

It would be almost impossible to explain socialism unless there is some knowledge of capitalism and the life of the worker under the dictatorship of the capitalists.

Why are capitalists, who don't work, rich and the workers who create all the wealth poor? To answer this question we have to look at what happened in the history of mankind. The 3 systems of exploitation—slavery, feudalism and capitalism—have a common goal. That goal is to make people work and not pay them. Under slavery this was accomplished by simply buying the worker all at once and "paying" him only the necessities to maintain his health and strength. Aside from these necessities, everything the slave produced was taken by the master.

Under feudalism, the nobility, because they had armies, simply took the land and the serfs were forced to work for them. Aside from the necessities to maintain a minimum of health and strength, to labor and produce

among the Spanish military by those who vow to refuse serving the regime's oppressive structures. This movement to "democratize" the military could well have significant consequences in a period of political transition and unrest following Franco's death.

After the execution, the public outrage has been enormous in Europe, particularly among left-oriented trade unions, political organizations and governments. Already the Spanish dictatorship finds itself in its most critical moment of isolation since the Civil War: foreign ambassadors have been recalled, European workers have called for and instituted economic boycotts of Spanish products and systems of transportation, and short general strikes have been observed in France, the Netherlands, Greece, West Germany, and in various parts of Scandinavia, as a means of protesting the continuing fascist repression in Spain and also as a means of denouncing their respective countries' support for the bankrupt dictatorship.

The only silence, and an extremely significant one at that, has been that

a new generation of serfs, the nobility took all that was produced. Generally, this meant that the serf worked 3 days for himself and was forced to work 4 days for the nobility.

Under capitalism, the capitalists own all the means of production. They own the factories, mines and mills. They own almost all the farm land, the railroads, grocery stores, most of the houses and apartments. Everything the workers need to live must be purchased from the capitalist. But the worker must have something to sell if he is going to buy these necessities. The only thing he has to sell is his ability to work. He can't sell his work, because he has no machinery to work with. He can only sell his ability to work, and that only if there is a capitalist who wants to buy it.

Every worker knows the results of his labor power becoming a commodity. First, since the capitalist buys that labor power before the worker starts to work, the capitalist is in a position to drive the worker without mercy and all that is created by him is legally taken by the capitalist. As a class, the workers only receive the necessities of life and the wealth produced above this, is taken by the capitalist. The only difference between slavery, serfdom and capitalism is the way the ruling class forces the worker to work and not pay him for what he has produced.

The capitalists, while degrading the workers to the level of slaves, become mad dogs. They developed while fighting everything, the feudalists whom they overthrew and the modern proletarians whom they created. They fight each other over markets and raw materials, they cheat and steal from one another, but most of all they fight the workers. In their struggle over profits, they force the workers to slaughter each other. The capitalist system is a system of contradiction and struggle. The capitalist system is a process of the stronger capitalist class robbing and impoverishing the workers and the big capitalists eating up the little ones. As a result, all of the nations' wealth flows into the hands of the biggest capitalists and the vast majority of people become poorer and poorer until they are forced to overthrow the system.

What does this social revolution, led by the working class create? First of all, the workers are forced to treat each other equally since they, through the state they have created, are the owners of the means of production. They immediately do away with the source of their torment, that is that they now sell their work instead of their ability to work. Thus for the first time, those who labor thrive while those who have lived off the la-

bor of others become producers themselves or they do without food. Since every able bodied person is guaranteed a job and they own the job, no one can take it from them. Money cannot be used to force others to do what an individual may wish. Under such conditions, crime and oppression are bound to begin to disappear. At one time, Russia and China were lands teeming with dope, prostitution and criminals. The revolutions of the working class changed all that. Now there is hardly any crime in these countries. By taking power and transforming private property into collective public property, the production solely for profit is transformed into production for use.

It is this common ownership of the means of production that create the conditions for the elimination of discrimination against the weaker minorities and nations, against women and the aged.

Socialism is for the little people. It is for the masses, especially the workers whose labor has created all the wealth, but who have no voice in the way they are governed. Socialism is for the Negro whose toil and blood and suffering has created so much of this country. Socialism is for the Mexican who capitalism has reduced to an alien in his own land. Socialism is for the woman whose creativity has been strangled and who has been reduced to a plaything of bedroom despot and parlor tyrants. Socialism is for the youth whose heroic morality and bold dreams are objects of capitalist exploitation. It is for the aged who in hopeless poverty look upon the wealth they have created, a wealth now used to enslave a new generation, even as it casts them aside, as if they were used up instruments of production. Socialism is for the Puerto Rican who understands his individual helplessness before the grinding destructive onslaught of imperialism. It is for the Indian who demands more than pretified stories and photographs in exchange for the seizure of his lands. Socialism is for those who love this country and its peoples, because only socialism can save it!

LONG LIVE SOCIALISM!

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In the last years, serious, honest Communists have presented the necessity to organize a working class party. From the ranks of the working class, the independist political organizations, student organizations, etc., the slogan "Puerto Rico Needs a Communist Party" has surged. From their different fronts of struggle, those Marxist-Leninists and democratic elements who have taken up the slogan, contribute to the process of its creation. In the realm of the above, is linked the struggle that will free both the Puerto Rican and USNA revolutionaries. Just as for the USNA working class the existence of its class party represents the guide in the revolutionary struggle, the Puerto Rican working class needs the instrument that will lead them to their complete and final liberation.

The Puerto Rican proletariat can not find its real independence within the framework of capitalist relations. An independence of such character would mean a real dependence on imperialism. In the same manner, the proletariat of an oppressor state cannot be free while it oppresses the proletariat of another nation. That is the reason why the North American proletariat takes up the slogan of Independence for Puerto Rico in its struggle to gain political power; while the Puerto Rican proletariat must resolutely support the North American proletariat in its revolutionary struggle.

Only the revolution, only the victory of the working class over capital, only the united force of the international proletariat will defeat imperialism!

SMASH THE KLAN

MISSISSIPPI

While the news media bombards the people of this country with news of the "racial problems" in the North, they are giving the illusion that all is peaceful in the South. Things supposedly have changed in the South for the better; Negroes are "more equal" than before!

Facts show these statements are false. The Negro Nation is still in the grips of fascism and the rapidly increasing industrialization has not changed this fact, but has served to intensify the class struggle in the South. The imperialists have attempted to pacify the Negro people through the use of the comprador bourgeoisie. But as they become more and more exposed as the agents of the imperialists, it has become necessary to increase the use of violence and terror once again. This drive by the imperialists has been answered by spontaneous resistance by the Negro people, a current example being the struggle going on in Moss Point, Mississippi.

A march and rally were held on August 30 in Moss Point, to protest the arrest of a young, unemployed Negro worker, Christopher Moore, for the murder of an Anglo-American school teacher. Even though there is no evidence against him, he is being held without bail. The husband of the murdered woman, whose first wife was found mysteriously murdered, has been allowed to leave town. The people of Moss Point, who are 75% Negro, have organized to help Christopher Moore. They have raised money to get him lawyers and are trying to publicize the case throughout the South, to expose not only his plight, but that of thousands of others who are presently sitting in jails throughout the Negro Nation on trumped-up charges.

Only a few weeks ago, a young Negro man was found hung in his cell. Although he had been put in solitary confinement with his hands handcuffed behind his back, the death was officially listed as suicide.

As the Negro people fight back against this increasing legal and extra-legal terror, they have been met by the fascist gangs. On the same day of the march for Christopher Moore, the KKK held a counter-march to warn the Negro people that they had better not take this thing too far.

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through the media and 4) pressure your elected representatives to act now for Olga's release, the release of all Argentinian political prisoners and an end to the US supported repression in Argentina.

Such atrocities should not occur and workers in this country must fight to end the USNA's stranglehold of colonial countries for when we stand up in other workers' defense, we are standing up for our defense. The state of fear and terror in the colonial countries, firmly supported by the USNA state, could very well occur here, as the same imperialists extend their cord around our necks in order to send us to war and make more money for themselves.

Workers must join the toiling masses of Latin America in a united front against imperialism, for their struggles are ours, and our successful struggles shall mean socialism!

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MICHIGAN

The fascist state form is a necessary institution for the imperialists in their direct and neo-colonies in their drive to reap their super-profits, they need a terroristic form of government. The struggle in Moss Point is part of the spontaneous resistance to this fascist state; it is part of the unconscious objective struggle for the liberation of the Negro Nation. But the Negro people are in this fight without leadership. The compromised, petty-bourgeois leadership of the past will not do. The NAACP refused to go near this developing struggle and would not even offer legal aid. SCLC (Southern Christian Leadership Conference), the only organization to get involved in a big way, is carrying out the struggle in such a way as to attempt to revive the non-violent civil rights marches of the 60's. But this type of leadership will lead nowhere. What is needed is the leadership of a different class, the proletariat. The unconscious struggle for national liberation must be turned into a conscious movement linked with the struggle for socialism. A tit-for-tat battle must be waged against the fascist gangs and their legal counter-parts the fascist police.

Christopher Moore went to trial. There was another march from Moss Point to the Pascogoula courthouse on September 20. The people of Moss Point are asking for any help they can get to help free Christopher Moore, through publicizing this case, physical presence at further demonstrations and linking this to the oppression of the Negro people and the Negro national minority throughout the USNA.

But the struggle for national liberation will not end with the conviction or freedom of Christopher Moore alone. Either convicted or freed, the struggle against national oppression and fascism will continue. The working class of the Negro Nation must unite to struggle against any attacks by the fascist forces against any section of the class. Any struggle against fascism and against the storm troops of the fascists, the KKK, the Nazis and Posse, has to be centered around the struggle to free the Negro Nation from the clutches of USNA imperialism.

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and bankrollers of anti-communist terror in Portugal. We must ask who are the real assassins — who are the real enemies? Only weeks before it had been proven that the CIA vainly mounted more than 60 attempts on Castro's life and showed off sophisticated poison dart guns at Congressional hearings. Furthermore, can we believe that we should worry about protecting a president who openly sides with the Ku Klux Klan in their attacks on Negro school children?

Individual acts of terrorism, such as those recently witnessed, can never answer the vicious rule of the increasingly fascist capitalists. As a matter of fact, such acts tend to bring on even greater violence against the working class. Our strategy is built on the seizing of power by the proletarian class. Within that context, the use of terror as a tactic cannot be dismissed. "Red" terror, or a highly concentrated attack which annihilates an enemy position, has been proven to be a very successful tactic as a part of an organized revolutionary struggle.

Capitalism was built on the terroristic rule of the toiling masses. And terror in the form of a billy club, blazing napalm jelly or a burning cross are the real weapons in the hands of a president we are supposed to be so worried over. Capitalist terror can and will be answered by the pent-up angry power of the working class. In this class struggle, we will answer the capitalist butchers with an organized power of proletarian revolution.

The Ku Klux Klan is on the rampage. Throughout the country the Klan is rearing its ugly head and terrorizing workers of all nationalities. But particularly they have hit hard at the Negro workers. Example after example tell the story of the vicious white chauvinism and anti-communism of the KKK. In Kalamazoo, Michigan, a Negro family was forced to defend themselves against a gang of Anglo-American teenagers who were throwing rocks and bricks at their home. After being told to leave the property, one of the teenagers attempted to strike Clyde Pratt, owner of the home, and he fired first and wounded the boy. The rest of the evening the family stayed up with the lights off as carloads of Anglo-Americans drove by screaming "Are you awake Niggers? We're gonna get you Niggers!" The police did not respond to the Pratt's calls for help, saying only that you "can't stop people from talking!"

The next evening the Pratts were celebrating a birthday party at home when two "friendly" Anglo-Americans approached and asked them all outside to talk. Clyde and his brothers started out when someone noticed both men had pistols. As they turned back inside, a stationwagon and a pinto pulled up, firing at the house as others shot from hidden points around the neighborhood. Before they could get back inside, three men were wounded, Clyde, James Brown and Richard Plant. Others in the house then returned the gun fire at the vehicles.

The gang that attacked the house was well-armed, bullets, pellets and shotgun slugs were taken from the walls later. This action bore the evidence of planning and execution typical of the KKK. Clyde and his brothers are sure that it was the Klan who organized the attack.

Huntington, West Virginia, just two weeks ago, was the scene of another execution of a young Negro boy. Harry Wood, 16 years old was shot in the chest while walking down the street to a football game. He was shot from a passing car with two Anglo-American men in it. Later that evening, two State Troopers received a report that the passing car was seen in a trailer park just outside the city limits in Wayne County.

As the two State Troopers approached the trailer where the suspects were, a man opened the door and set his dog out on the Troopers. One Trooper shot at the dog, and this began a volley of firing that left one man inside the trailer dead. Two men, Boyd Tomblin 22, and Dale McCoy 19, were arrested and charged with the murder of Harry Wood.

The people of Huntington immediately began to mobilize around Harry's death. The local chapter of the NAACP took a resolution to the City Council which publicly denounced the KKK and its activities and asked the Council to adopt it. The Council however voted "to send it to committee." Like many other politicians and local government bodies, especially in the South, they chose to take a "neutral" stand, which, in fact, is support of these fascist thugs. In a show of "sympathy" however, the Council agreed to fly the flags at half-mast in honor of Harry Wood.

From coast to coast the Klan is organizing. The time has come when the workers must also organize against the fascist drive. Wherever the Klan strikes, so must we strike back! Wherever they demonstrate, we must counter-demonstrate! And when they want to fight, we must be eager! The time of pious speeches and wishful thinking is gone! The Klan is mobilizing! They must be stopped and they can be. Organization is the workers greatest weapon. Let us unite all who can be united to fight against these anti-working class, white chauvinist, terroristic thugs!

OHIO

On September 20, 40 people rallied in downtown Akron for an anti-Klan demonstration. Led by a coalition of organizations—the Communist Labor Party (CLP), the Concerned Workers of Twinsburg, Worker's Help Inventive and Pride (WHIP), Dues News, the East Akron Voice, Revolutionary Union Movement (UAW), Magic City Food Co-op, and the Community Advocates Collective — the workers stood under the banners of "Smash the Klan", "Jobs with Peace" and "Support Bessie Lou Cornett." The purpose of the rally was to alert the working class to the fascist danger that the Klan represents, to begin to mobilize against it, and to make it clear that our fight against the Klan must go hand in hand with the fight for JOBS WITH PEACE!

The march itself expressed the determination of angry, outraged workers to unite against the Klan by overcoming barriers imposed on them. The city attempted to prevent the march by refusing to give the "Stop the Klan Committee" a permit. The local paper gave the Klan plenty of coverage but only printed a portion of a letter against the Klan and refused to do a follow up on the rally. The local Negro newspaper refused to print anything pertaining to the anti-Klan rally "for fear of touching off a racial riot." The local chapter of the NAACP as well as other community misleadership "chose" to ignore the coalition under the guise that "the Klan is no threat to us."

The statement that they are "no threat to us," is clearly untrue since the Klan has launched a recruitment drive in northeastern Ohio. Recently they burned down a house that a Negro national minority family was going to move into. This is not the first time the Klan has stuck out its ugly white chauvinist head. During the 1930's depression the Klan had 40,000 members in Ohio. In Akron, the mayor, sheriff and school board were all Klan members!

Workers, the Klan must not be allowed to regain that strength! Just as the Klan is organizing, so must the workers form unemployment committees that fight the Klan, for jobs with peace, for equal quality education for all our children, and the nationalization of the energy industry. The fight against the Klan must staunchly defend the Negro people and relentlessly fight against deportations of Mexican nationals, for an attack against one is an attack against all!

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