

FORGE AHEAD IN BUILDING THE LEAGUE!

-Political Report to the G.M. of the LnBh.

Introduction

1. The main aims of the third GM of the Bh are to review the work of the Bh since the second GM, dissolve the Bh and establish the new system of primary organisation in Ln, the cells. We must sum up our past tasks and targets and how far we are to fulfilling them. We should discuss and approve the new tasks for the district and elect a DC.
2. The situation today is excellent for the workers and oppressed peoples of the world and demands ever more that we continue the struggle to build the rCP in Britain. The working class in Britain needs leadership in the complex class struggle here and around the world. We in Ln must play our part to the full in building the League to build the Party.
3. The pace of the party building struggle is quickening. The League continues the fight for unity with the CWM and the fight against the small-group mentality among other Marxist-Leninist organisations. The next two years will see some important changes in the party building struggle. We should achieve unity with the CWM and breakdown more of the mountain strongholds of the smaller groups. In turn this demands that we make more rapid progress in building the League. The new district organisation must be a stronger one, capable of expanding its activities, building up better links with industrial workers and strengthening its ranks with new blood.

Sum up past work to advance in the future

4. We set three tasks and targets for the Bh last Oct.: First, *"Throw the net wide and draw it in close"* was the slogan for recruitment and contacts development and was linked to the target of 20 members in 12 months, 20 in 12. Second, *"Build a wider base with deeper roots in the industrial working class"* was our base building slogan and was linked to a (revised) target of 1 cell established, plus one started in 12 months, 1+1 in 12. And third, *"Mobilise more positive factors by vigorous sales of 'Class Struggle'"* was the slogan for 'CS' and was linked to the target of 100 copies per issue sold by Oct.78, 100 in 12. We summed up these under the slogan *"Build the Bh into a strong fighting regiment of the League"*, setting this as our central task.
5. These tasks were primarily correct, giving a good orientation to the Bh's work in the months following the GM. And it was correct to crystallise the *tasks* into targets which gave comrades a gauge to measure our progress in fulfilling the

tasks. And we have made good progress, but some weaknesses, especially in BC leadership have showed up.

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ABSTRACT

6. The BC must be most self-critical about three aspects of its leadership. First, it has not developed the use of active ideological ~~struggle~~ struggle and criticism and self-criticism within the Bh. This is the Marxist method - the only method - for getting rid of the bad style and keeping the good. The new DC must pay more attention to itself using active ideological struggle and encouraging the rank and file to make criticism and self-criticism a habit in all our work. Second, The BC was slow to grasp the importance of mass work and of good organisational/in ^{/work} the struggle at Bh level to build the Party. Mass work, with industrial work as its central pin, is necessary to give the general party building work a correct direction and a firm foundation. It is the working class, especially the industrial proletariat, who will be the revolutionary force in Britain. And third, a general tendency of sluggishness in leadership and methods of work has affected the BC. It hasn't mobilised the initiative of the rank and file enough to get on and decide things for themselves, nor encouraged efficient methods of work to accomplish tasks boldly and ~~as~~ accurately. For example, although cdes. have been conscious of the above targets, the BC did not use the slogans in a bold way to build up enthusiasm in the Bh.

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7. Specifically, we are on target for 20 in 12, having recruited good cdes into the Bh, with more contacts being developed.

The DC must have an even more outward looking policy on contact development. ~~We must develop more active policies to recruit working class comrades. Comrades from the Progressive intelligentsia will be numerically~~

greater at this stage and should be given firm leadership and mobilised in the important industrial work and other district-wide tasks and activities of the League.

8. We have made advances in industrial work, especially with the establishment of the IC, which represented a further breakthrough in our grasp of the importance of industrial work. But this work is still a weak link in Ln. We need to grasp more firmly the link between our outside propaganda and agitation, the demands and wishes of the workers themselves, and the work of cdes inside the factories. And how in practice the transition will be made from ICs to factory cells.

9. Our sales of CS have been good because we have correctly concentrated on the factory sales. We generally increase these each month, while relying on a few cdes' high individual sales. We need more vigorous sales to consolidate

and extend all types of sales: factory, individual, at our own and other public meetings. This should be done before CS goes fortnightly in Sept. Vigorous sales mean reaching more potential fighters for revolution, spreading the policies and influence of the League.

10. In study, the Bh has carried out conscientiously the monthly study of CS and the M-L theory study course. This is good. Many correct criticisms of CS have been taken up. Also, we have deepened our grasp of some aspects of Marxism-Leninism with the course, despite its weaknesses of being too abstract and lacking a ^{strong} guiding thread. Cdes have also pointed out correctly that a once a month study of M-L theory is too infrequent. We should develop methods of work to study Marxism-Leninism more often, linking it more with the present stage in party building. Also, the BC has not been conscientious enough in ensuring study of policies from the CC. Even though there have been many of these, we have not dealt with them thoroughly. // 116

Forge ahead with our tasks to build the League

11. We should be farsighted and optimistic in dissolving the Bh. We are further Bolshevising our ranks and must look forward to the future when the district will comprise many industrial and factory cells. When hundreds of cdes from the working class and progressive intelligentsia will be members and contacts under the leadership of the League. When we will be carrying out bold work in leading factory workers in class struggle with the support of cdes outside the factories. When we will be holding large and important public meetings and leading important demonstrations in Ln. That time is not too distant.
12. To Build the League in Ln to be able to do this we need a strong DC, well armed with good policies and a correct orientation to its leadership. The three main fields under DC leadership will be: 1, general party building and mass work, organisation of the League's activities in Ln; 2, the expanding and consolidating of industrial work; and 3, organising vigorous sales of CS and leading a League supporters organisation for contacts.
13. The crucial work of building the League here demands a bold mobilisation to carry out a series of party building, public meetings, the present Zimbabwe campaign, future national tasks and campaigns and bolder mobilisation for demonstrations. An important key to this party building work will be the district organised public meetings. The principal aspect of these meetings will be to publicise as widely as possible the

lines of the League, and so contribute to the struggle to unite the M-L movement. There are important secondary aspects. Many individuals will first come into contact with the League through the public meetings. Our present contacts ~~with~~ and members will be educated in these meetings. And third, in the new situation of the district organisation, public meetings will be an important unifying force for the cells.

16. ~~14~~. Increasingly, we need to rely on and develop our close contacts in both party building and mass work. In the near future, we should aim to organise ~~xxx~~ them in a support organisation. This would be under the direct authority of the League, through the DC. The support organisation's members would receive political education and make both practical and financial commitments toward building the League. The organisation would meet regularly and contacts would be mobilized then. This particular form of organisation cannot be set up until it has been discussed and agreed by the CC. But there are steps we can take immediately. In July we will start by inviting all conatcts to attend monthly meetings. These will be used to mobilise them for specific tasks for the month; ~~and~~ ~~we~~ criticism and self-criticism will be used to sum up earlier work. Second, they will study Marxism-Leninism and League policy using, at first, CS and Revolution.

14. ~~13~~. Industrial work must be grasped firmly and be transformed from a weak link into the central task for mass work. It must be the centre of gravity of mass work, while we continue to develop the bold thrust of our general party building work outlined above. The DC must devise methods of work to link up the work of the IC(s) with the general work. Also, the DC should be starting sales of CS at 2 other factories in the area, following the factory investiggtion. And after the GM, the DC should draw up ~~1~~ plans to ~~establish~~ start a second IC centred on one of these. At present we must face the problems of starting the district organisation out in Ln with only one IC. We must avoid the opportunist path of viewign this cell as if it were the 'Bh' in a new form. The DC must ensure that all members and contacts, not just those in the first IC, are mobilised to the fullest correct extent to carry out our tasks. We should work energetically for the future envisaged in paragraph 11 above.

15. ~~15~~. The DC must ensure continued leadership is given to reach the target for CS sales of 100 in 12, by Oct. A district CS organiser (CSO) is needed on the DC to give firm and consistent

leadership to members and contacts on CS overall. The CSO will lead the ICs through their respective CSCs and be one of the cdes to lead the support group for contacts. One example is that all cdes must set themselves an individual target for monthly CS sales and aim to reach it in a certain time, based on their objective circumstances. With good leadership in Ln we can make CS a collective organiser, as the League's political paper should be.

17. The DC should learn the lessons of the weaknesses in study and give guidance to the IC(s) leaders on study of CS, League policies and M-L theory. This leadership must be mainly aimed at developing the initiative of the IC(s) in this area.
18. We are setting up a new type of organisation for us, a cell structure under the leadership of a DC. This bold step will further Bolshevise our ranks, enabling us to work boldly and more efficiently. We should keep to the good tasks and targets we set last year and use the slogans and the new methods of work to make sure that we over-fulfil the targets of 20 in 12, 1+1 in 12 and 100 in 12.

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BUILD THE LEAGUE TO BUILD THE PARTY!

LONG LIVE MARXISM-LENINISM-MAO TSETUNG THOUGHT!

BS for the BC, 12.6.78.