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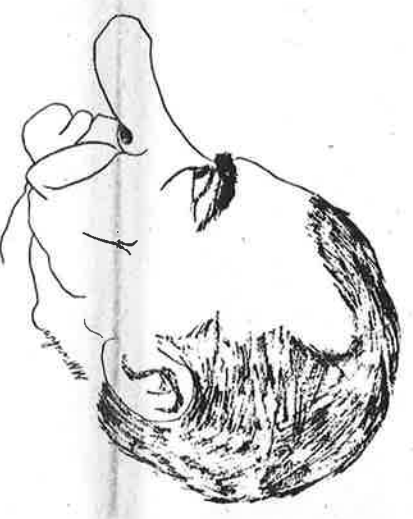
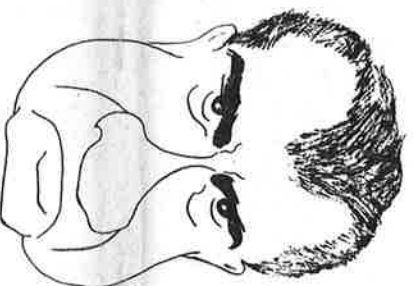
Why the people should IMPEACH NIXON!

The impeachment drive must attack Nixon's real crimes:

● War crimes in Indochina and the Mideast

● Wage freeze, inflation, unemployment, and racism at home

● Watergate, secret police plots, robbery, destruction of evidence, etc., etc., etc.



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IMPEACH ALL THREE!

The impeachment movement and the Mideast war

By Sam Marcy See article, page 4

Nixon alerts military, talks of 'oil crisis' to bolster Mideast war aims

Are you going to awake shivering this winter? Thank Nixon and the oil monopolies for the "oil crisis."

Nixon's threats of an oil "shortage" are being used to blackmail Americans into support for an all-out backing by the U.S. of Israel's expansion and occupation of Arab lands. Rockefeller and the oil men

are using Israel as a garrison state to protect their super-profits by forcing the Arab states to sell their oil cheap.

The Arab states have rightfully begun to cut off export of oil to the U.S., but this is only a tiny fraction of U.S. oil consumption. Exxon has so much oil to sell at ever higher prices that its profits for the

third quarter of 1973 were \$356 million, up more than 80 percent from 1972.

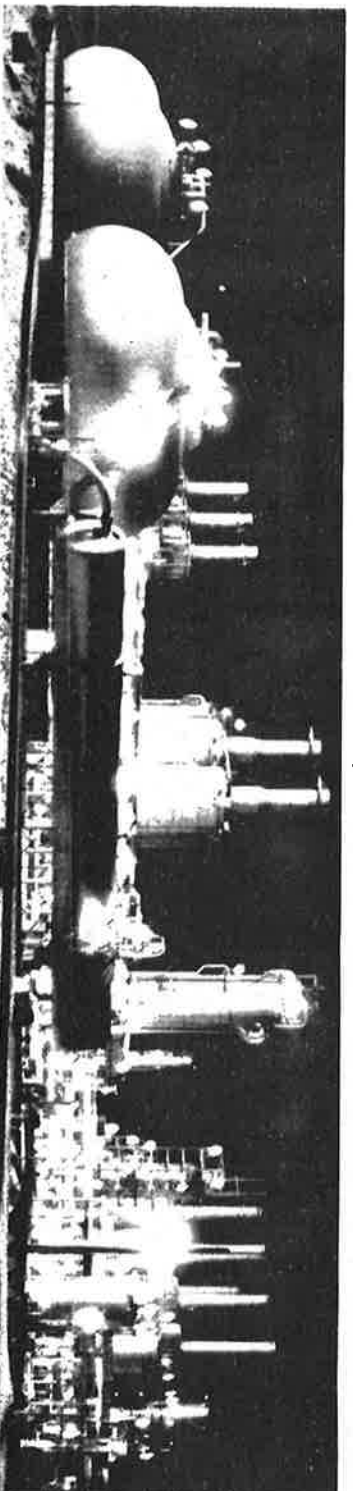
If the U.S. were not an imperialist power that has unleashed repeated aggressions against the Arab people, if the U.S. rulers were interested in giving genuine assistance to the Arabs in developing their resources instead of

manipulating them in order to pile up a Mt. Everest of super-profits, the question of an "oil shortage" would never have come up in the first place.

And, of course, the cost of "defending the empire"—the price of Pentagon militarism—is reflected in the squandering of vast amounts of oil that fuel the war machine.

In pursuit of "black gold," Israel's armor and aircraft burned millions of gallons of oil. When Nixon says there's no oil, think of the billions of gallons burned in the engines of B-52s over Indochina. When the oil companies say oil nationalized by Arabs costs too much, think of the bill going straight to Washington, D.C., of more than \$1 billion a week to finance the Israeli military.

Centerfold section on Mideast war



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AIM leader assassinated by Indian Bureau cops

By BOB McCUBBIN

The U.S. government's genocidal conspiracy to crush the rising Native American movement has resulted in another killing in South Dakota. Pedro Bissonette was a leading figure in the American Indian Movement (AIM), the President of the Pine Ridge Civil Rights Organization, and one of the leaders of the takeover at Wounded Knee last February and March. He was murdered by Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) police on the night of October 17.

The BIA police have stated that Bissonette pulled a gun on them and that they fired in self-defense and killed him by firing one shot. Wounded Knee defense attorney Mark Lane has stated, however: "It appears the BIA was looking for Bissonette and had orders to shoot to kill."

(Bissonette was out on \$25,000 bail on charges stemming from Wounded Knee, but the bail had recently been revoked and he was being sought on a "fugitive" warrant.)

John Iverson, a member of the Wounded Knee Defense Committee, told Workers World that he and other members of the Defense Committee got a chance to view Bissonette's body at the hospital in Rapid City, South Dakota, and he said: "There were seven bullet wounds, probably made by a .38 caliber pistol, any one of which might have killed him." Iverson said that shortly after the Defense Committee members left the hospital, the body was taken by BIA police to Scotts Bluff, Nebraska, in open defiance of the wishes of Bissonette's family and in violation of U.S. Attorney Clayton's vow and statement to those family members.



photo: LNS

Members of the American Indian Movement negotiate with representatives of the Justice Department last April. Pedro Bissonette (far right) was murdered by BIA agents last week.

Auto workers protest hazardous Ford plant

DETROIT, Oct. 25—Ford Motor Company boasts that its new \$200 million foundry in Flat Rock, Michigan, is the most modern facility in the world. Foremen tell you that this is the "nicest" foundry they ever worked in and that it was built in compliance with special federal regulations to protect the health and safety of foundry

workers. Most of the workers at the Flat Rock foundry are young and many have no previous factory experience to help them judge the truth of these claims.

Workers in the molding department who see enormous showers of sparks bursting from the electric arc furnaces across from them in the melting department seldom give

it a second thought. Yet, according to Robert Battle III, vice president of the UAW Local 600, it would take "eight to ten years" in an old-fashioned foundry to tally the 76 serious burns that these foundry workers have suffered in the past year.

The burns are caused by "flame-outs," or small explosions that occur when gases accumulate in the electric arc furnaces and then explode out the front door, carrying molten metal with them. The workers in the melting department sometimes leap from 12-foot-high platforms trying to escape the 50-foot tongues of flame which often shoot out shrapnel-like pieces of metal. The union is demanding larger platforms and more "running room" for the furnace workers.

UAW negotiators broke off contract talks with Ford on Wednesday, Oct. 17, and again on Thursday to go to the Flat Rock foundry where they talked with the news media and with the two latest victims who had suffered serious burns on those two days. The UAW has also repeatedly passed out leaflets at the front gate promising the workers in the melting department that they will not be "forgotten" in the current contract talks with Ford.

Hopefully, the UAW will fulfill its promise to the melting department workers. But most of the other workers at the foundry first found out about the plight of the melting department workers in the newspapers. Even in its leaflets the union has done nothing to explain to the other foundry workers what is happening in the melting department. The situation is made worse by the fact that there are fewer workers in this department than in others, and it is located in a relatively isolated part of the plant.

But, as one worker put it, "We're not going to let these things detract from our solidarity with the melting department workers in their just fight against Ford Motor Company!"



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Joanne Chesimard

had said, "If she's Black, she's guilty." The judge held his face in his hands as each detail came out, interfering with his plans for a frameup conviction.

The jurors were prepared by stories in the newspapers calling Chesimard the "soul" of the Black Liberation Army. Squire was one of the New York Panther 21 who were acquitted after two years on high ransom bail.

After the newspaper reports of the arrest of Chesimard and Squire, any jury picked by the state will be filled with racist lies, even without stacking the jury with friends of cops. Judge Bachman's refusal to declare a mistrial only shows his own prejudice and commitment to the frameup.

FREE JOANNE CHESIMARD AND CLARK SQUIRE!

racialist people at the penitentiary, but have found them here, now working as officials, instead of fired, as the administration had stated they would be.

Comrade James X. was attacked by four guards—knocked down, picked up and thrown, stomped and dragged from the front office to jail while handcuffed and shackled. They have been denied medical attention, their mail held up and read. One guard tied crickets to the door of their cell so that the chirping could keep them awake all night.

They need help and should be written to for further information.

A Comrade in Prison

U.S. Reformatory, Petersburg, Va.:

Clyde Joyner died on October 4, 1973, in the Federal Reformatory at Petersburg, Virginia.

Clyde Joyner had been incarcerated for over three years. At this last Parole Board hearing one of the reasons for not paroling him was that because of his chronic asthma condition he could not support himself.

Clyde had been to the Federal Bureau of Prisons Central Medical facility at Springfield, Missouri. Respiratory

CTA bus drivers

No contract, no work!

CHICAGO—CTA (Chicago Transit Authority) bus drivers staged a one-day walkout October 9 to honor the two-week-long strike of CTA Metal Trades Council workers, who do the repair work on Transit Authority equipment. All CTA workers have gone without a contract or a raise since November of last year.

The night before the walkout the bus drivers' union met. Some rank-and-file drivers proposed from the floor that they honor the picket lines of the metal trade workers at the bus garages. Rather than tolerate this resolution—calling for the most basic worker solidarity—the union leaders abruptly adjourned the meeting.

But their action further enraged the workers, already angry at having earlier been refused information on the progress of their own ten-month-old contract negotiations. Up in arms at this latest outrage, the drivers continued on their own

Workers World—Nov. 2, 1973

Karl Armstrong

By PEGGY GEDEN

MADISON, WIS., Oct. 27—Today 250 people marched in pouring rain from the University of Wisconsin campus to the downtown federal building and jail where antiwar activist KARL ARMSTRONG is being held.

On September 28, Armstrong pled guilty to lesser charges of second-degree murder, carrying a maximum sentence of 25 years. Armstrong was about to stand trial on state and federal charges of first-degree murder and eight counts of arson, which altogether carried a sentence of life plus 55 years. He openly admitted that he bombed the Army Math Research Center (AMRC) in Madison on August 24, 1970, as an act of political resistance against the U.S. war of aggression in Southeast Asia and the AMRC complicity in that war.

Hearings to determine the length of the sentence began in Madison on October 15. Armstrong has chosen to use these hearings to expose the crimes of the ruling class with testimony from Vietnam veterans and other political defendants.

At the hearing Armstrong stated that he did not consider his actions "criminal." He said that he could never get a fair trial when the real criminals such as Nixon, the Pentagon generals, and corporation heads were still at large, had never been tried for the calculated murder of thousands of Vietnamese, and were yet preparing more wars for profit. Armstrong said he pled

specialists had diagnosed his condition as "chronic asthmatic," and Clyde was on a permanent "no-duty" status during his incarceration.

A campaign against Clyde was started shortly after the arrival of Dr. Levy, Chief Medical Officer, and Mr. Washburn, Head Hospital Administrative Officer. Under a guard's prodding Dr. Levy, disregarding Clyde's medical history, the Springfield diagnosis, and the diagnosis of Dr. Goldberg who he was replacing, revoked Clyde's no-duty status, and reduced his medication. He also removed a hospital directive that in the event Joyner was "locked up" for an infraction he not be taken to the segregation (cellhouse) unit, but be admitted to the hospital. Warden McCleene and Associate Warden Mustain gave these actions their full endorsement—and Clyde was assigned to the institution kitchen (no place for an asthmatic).

Clyde was in the process of preparing a suit against the institution for depriving him of proper medical attention. As he grew progressively weaker, the medical staff, Mr. Sellers, Mr. Everett, and Mr. Garcia (M.T.A.'s) under Levy's and Washburn's

guilty in order to further expose the real murderers.

The Army Math Research Center is the only center funded by the U.S. Army (nearly \$1.5 million annually) for the research and application of mathematics to war. The AMRC is obliged by its contract with the Army to provide services in the areas "in which mathematics research has relevance to problems that exist or are inherent to army operations." It is actually a U.S. military center for sensitive research connected with all aspects of weapons and the efficiency of the military regime. In 1969 and 1970 the AMRC was the focal point of struggle on the University of Wisconsin campus, because it showed the direct complicity of the university in the war in Indochina.

Playing upon the death of Robert Fasnacht, a physics researcher who was killed in spite of the warning, the state and federal government distorted the political nature of the case and attempted to whip up a hysteria, not only against Armstrong, but against all those who protested the Vietnam war. In a real sense, the entire antiwar movement is now awaiting sentencing along with Armstrong.

Armstrong was originally arrested in February 1972, in Canada, and later extradited in violation of a law that forbids such moves in political cases. In Wisconsin his bail was set at \$400,000, highest in the state's history.

The marchers today kept up loud chanting, especially, "Free Karl Armstrong, Smash the AMRC!" During the rally at the jail, Armstrong managed to make a torch of some paper in his cell, which could

direction refused to give Clyde the amount of medication he needed.

On the morning of October 3, 1973, Clyde was very weak and went to the hospital to see the doctor. He spoke to an M.T.A. who refused to allow him to see the doctor.

He sat down on the floor of the hospital corridor to conserve his waning strength. Dr. Levy passed by him, and when Clyde asked to speak to him, he replied, "Not now, I'm busy."

A few minutes later Officer Ratcliff approached Clyde and ordered him to leave the hospital. Clyde told him he wanted to see the doctor. Ratcliff told him he's already seen the M.T.A., Clyde asked him to please call the doctor. Ratcliff said no.

He then became abusive and angry, raising his voice and degrading Clyde, calling him a "deadbeat" and saying that Clyde hadn't worked since he came to the institution.

Clyde told him twice he was too sick to get up and leave.

Ratcliff called Lt. Couchman. Couchman arrived and helped him stand up. Couchman, Ratcliff, and Lt. Miller took Clyde to an office. They came out a few

vocacy of a lower CTA fare, no cutbacks, and better service for passengers. Many of the stranded passengers indicated sympathy and support for the CTA workers.

The next day the CTA management, which has shown blatant disrespect for the CTA workers and their unions, threatened to fire any worker who did not report to work. Twenty-three of the bus drivers have been suspended or fired for their rightful act of honoring a sister union's picket line.

On October 15, succumbing to pressure from Mayor Daley, the Metal Trades Council leadership ordered their workers off the picket lines and back to work without a new contract.

The CTA, due to a so-called financial crises, not only has refused the workers a new contract, but has fired workers over the past years, threatened fare hikes, and cut back service. The real cause of the CTA "crises" is the exorbitant interest and profit being paid to banks and bondholders from CTA bonds.

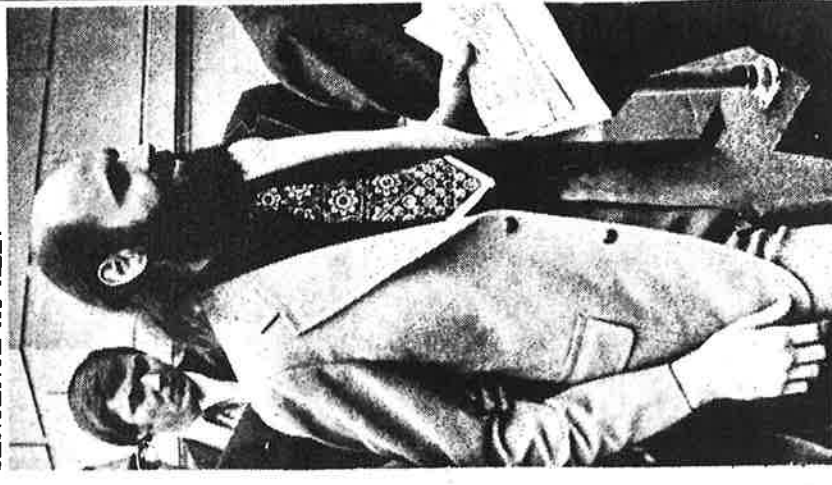
But CTA workers and passengers are fed up with the CTA management. They are becoming more and more aware of the need for the CTA to be taken over by the workers and riders and run in their own interests.

be seen by his supporters.

Armstrong will be sentenced November 1. The Karl Armstrong Defense Committee is organizing a vigil outside the jail the night of October 31 to November 1. The Defense Committee plans to go on to build a new campaign to smash the AMRC.

FREE KARL ARMSTRONG!

THE ONLY FAIR SENTENCE IS NO SENTENCE AT ALL!



Karl Armstrong

moments later and took Clyde directly to the cellhouse. Clyde began having a severe attack at approximately 10:15 p.m. Several inmates on the tier screamed for over an hour to get the officer's attention.

Lt. Stainmeyer and officer Carter brought Clyde Joyner from the cellhouse to the hospital ward at 11:20 p.m. They asked an inmate who has no medical qualifications to examine him. The inmate told them to call the M.T.A.

Oxygen with water vapor was administered for 15 minutes by this untrained inmate. He also administered four shots of medi-haler spray.

At 11:50 p.m. Washburn arrived. He gave a series of three injections as well as two injections of Valium. At 12:45 a.m. (October 4, 1973) Washburn ordered the inmate to administer medication at 3:00 a.m. and to make periodic checks. At 3:00 a.m. when the inmate went to carry out these orders he found Clyde dead. Joyner was pronounced DOA at Petersburg General at 3:40 a.m.

Clyde Joyner was murdered by the racism that permeates America's prisons. A concerned inmate.

—Arabs shoot down myth

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cluding the scrambling of B-52 nuclear bombers in a jingoistic threat. This was the first worldwide U.S. military mobilization since Johnson put the military on alert the day JFK was assassinated.

As of now, the confrontation between the U.S. and the Soviet Union has eased off slightly and the military situation on the ground in the Middle East seems stalemated for the time being. The massive resupplying of Israel by the U.S. (on November 1 Sadat said he had agreed to the original ceasefire because: "I would not fight the U.S.") has prevented any major Arab victory. Nonetheless, anti-imperialist sentiment continues to run high in the Middle East, demonstrated by Iraq's seizure of the Rockefeller-owned Exxon and Mobil oil companies.

And most important for the Arab people who fought with great determination, the myth of Israeli superiority was smashed. As Israeli politician Uri Avneri admitted last week, "The Dayan myth is dead."

Detrás de Israel — Nixon; detrás de Nixon — petróleo

(Traducido por Zulma Zayas)

Porqué ha estado EEUU tan persistentemente promoviendo la condición del estado israelita desde los años de la presidencia de Truman hasta el presente? Porqué los gigantes transportes de aviones C-5A aterrizan cada quince minutos en Tel Aviv con cargamentos de los últimos artefactos militares?

Ciertamente no porque los imperialistas estadounidenses tenga algún sentimiento por los problemas del pueblo judío. Después de todo en las elecciones de 1972, Nixon empleó miembros del Partido Nazi Americano en Florida y California para ayudar a derrotar a sus oponentes.

Ciertamente no porque el Congreso de EEUU esté controlado por el "lobby" sionista como sostiene el Congresista William Fulbright. Los judíos son una minoría pequeña en EEUU; y en muchos casos la abrumadora proporción de millonarios y billonarios que verdaderamente controlan el Congreso no son judíos, de hecho son anti-semitas.

La verdadera razón por la cual Estados Unidos apadrina el sionismo

23rd anniversary of Nationalist rebellion

'Free the Puerto Rican Political Prisoners!'

By JAIME VEVE

WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 30—Close to 3,000 people demonstrated here today to demand the release of the five Puerto Rican political prisoners who have been held in U.S. federal jails since the early 1950s. The turnout was a victory for the coalition of Puerto Rican organizations which have been focusing their organizing efforts on this event for some months.

The large crowd, overwhelmingly young and Latin, arrived in chartered buses and private cars from New York City (25 buses), Philadelphia, Boston, and parts of New Jersey. The many banners and posters made a brilliant display as the demonstrators marched from the Justice Department to the White House chanting, "Free the Puerto Rican political prisoners, Free Puerto Rico NOW!"

Today was the anniversary of the heroic uprising in Puerto Rico on October 30, 1950, led by the Nationalist party. The brutal suppression of this uprising by the U.S. colonial authorities caused the Nationalists to bring their struggle directly to the U.S. government.

In a valiant effort aimed at bringing the plight of the Puerto Rican people to the attention of the whole world, Oscar Collazo attacked Blair House, the residence of President Harry Truman in Washington, on November 1, 1950. He has been in prison ever since.

In that battle, one of the guards was killed, as was Griselio Torresola, who accompanied Oscar.

Four more Nationalists have been in U.S. prisons since March 1954, when they shot up the U.S. House of Representatives,

es basada en el hecho de que Israel al igual que los gobiernos reaccionarios de Africa del Sur, Rodesia, Grecia, Vietnam del Sur, Corea del Sur, Brasil, Irán e Indonesia, es un títere de los banqueros de Wall Street y otros caciques super ricos. Esto es especialmente cierto de las gigantes firmas de petróleo que dependen de Israel para que actúe como su guardián para que mantengan a los países árabes que producen petróleo en su sitio.

Las compañías petroleras americanas tienen un interés de 6 billones en petróleo y gas en el Mediano Oriente. Las últimas cifras (1 de enero de 1972) señalan que en el Mediano Este los monopolios petroleros de Estados Unidos poseen facilidades de producir petróleo crudo y gas natural por valor de \$3,385,000,000; \$240,000,000 en plantas para líquidos de gas natural; \$985,000,000 en cañerías; \$770,000,000 en refinerías; \$50,000,000 en plantas químicas; \$550,000,000 en facilidades de mercadeo; y \$435,000,000 en otras inversiones relacionadas con petróleo. Más de la mitad de las

ganancias que hacen las compañías de Estados Unidos en ultramar provienen de la explotación de petróleo en el Mediano Oriente.

Ambas variedades de políticos, liberales y conservadores están en un acuerdo preciso de que el pueblo árabe debe siempre mantenerse intimidado para poder asegurar las máximas ganancias a las compañías petroleras. Y los imperialistas apoyarán cualquier gobierno árabe que sirva este propósito igual que apoyan a Israel. El gobierno de Nuri Saíd en Iraq, títere del imperialismo inglés y norteamericano, ganó una reputación no muy agradable como una de las dictaduras mas brutales del mundo.

Pero cuando el 14 de julio de 1958 el pueblo lo derivó y proclamó la república, cuál fue la reacción del "liberal" New York Times? "La revolución iraquí amonestó el New York Times "puede aún mas debilitar la insegura posición que tiene el Mediano Oriente." El presidente Eisenhower puntualizó el editorial del NY Times enviando 10,000 marineros al Líbano a prevenir que las flamas de la revuelta iraquí se propagara a ese país. Israel aprobó

completamente esta invasión imperialista y al presente está atacando tropas iraquíes que fueron enviadas recientemente a Siria a defender a Damasco.

Aparte de la enorme cantidad de petróleo en el Mediano Oriente, Estados Unidos tiene otro interés imperialista muy vital en esa región. El Mediano Oriente es un puente estratégico entre Europa, Asia y Africa. Desde el punto militar, control del Mediano Oriente ha sido la meta de los poderes imperialistas. Antes de Segunda Guerra Mundial, Francia e Inglaterra dividieron el Mediano Oriente entre ellos. Después de la guerra Estados Unidos vino a ser el poder dominante en esa area, pero ahora con el levantamiento de gobiernos anti-imperialistas en Siria, la República Árabe Unida, Argelia, Yemen del Sur e Iraq, combinada con la lucha del pueblo palestino y otros pueblos árabes quienes viven bajo regimenes reaccionarios amenazan con romper la estrangulación política y económica del imperialismo estadounidense y su protegido estado de Israel en esta parte del globo.

committees for such prominent political prisoners as Carlos Feliciano, Humberto Pagan, Pancho Cruz, and Martin Sostre.

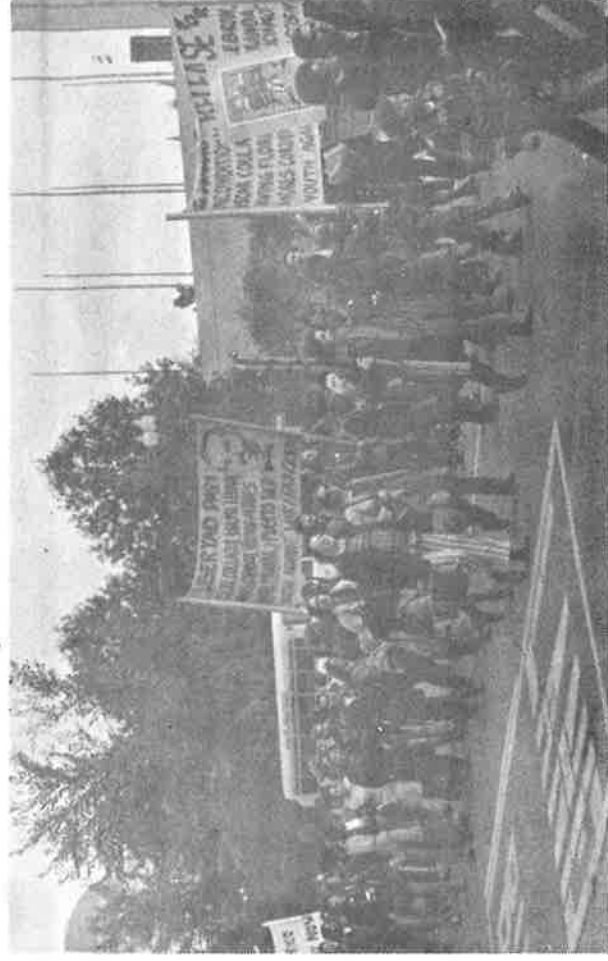
For several hours, the large crowd picketed in front of the White House, and then crossed over to Lafayette Park for a rally that concluded the event.

A representative of the Nationalist party, Don Pepe Sotomayor, linked the heroic rebellion of 1950 and the freedom of the five Nationalist prisoners to the desire of the Puerto Rican people to see their land freed from colonial oppression. Other main speakers included Carlos Feliciano, himself a symbol of the Puerto Rican liberation struggle and the repression unleashed by the U.S. government, who received a rousing response from the crowd when he demanded that "Watergate" Nixon free all political prisoners. The Reverend Ben Chavis of the Wilmington 7, victims of repression in North Carolina, spoke on behalf of the National Alliance against Racism and Political Repression.

A message of solidarity from Lolita Lebron, who has been in need of medical attention at the Alderson, West Virginia federal prison for women, particularly moved the crowd.

The liberation struggle for which the five Nationalists have sacrificed the better part of their lives grows stronger every day. It reached a historic high point with the 1950 insurrection, it was brought into the "belly of the monster" by the deeds of the five Nationalists, and it will culminate in a certain defeat for U.S. imperialism and the liberation of Puerto Rico.

Que viva Puerto Rico libre y socialista! Libertad para los presos políticos!

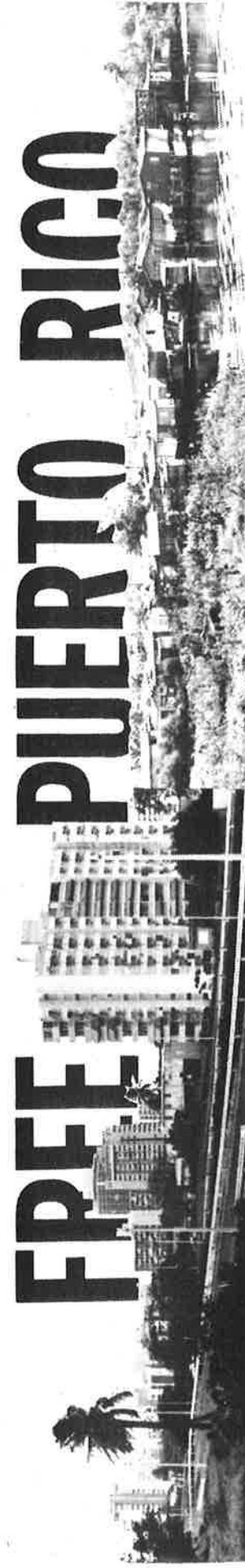


Washington, D.C., the nation's political crime capital, reverberates to 3,000 voices chanting "Free Puerto Rico Now!" WW photo: Mary P.

which legislates over Puerto Rico but has no representatives from the island. Three are men, one a woman: Andres Cordero, Irving Florés, Rafael Cancel Miranda, and Lolita Lebron. As she emptied her gun into that gathering of oppressors of her people, Lolita proudly wrapped the Puerto Rican flag around her arm.

U.S. policy since then has led to an even greater takeover of Puerto Rico economically, culturally, and militarily. The tremendous influx of well-to-do U.S. tourists has shoved the Puerto Rican people off the best land and beaches, while a

FREE PUERTO RICAN



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Bail raised for Houston 12; defense widens

By JULIO GHIGLIOTTI

HOUSTON, Oct. 29—On October 26, Bartee Haile and William Christiansen, two of the Houston 12 defendants, were released on a combined \$35,000 bond. Their release brings to ten the number of defendants now free on bail in this case of police brutality.

Only two defendants remain in jail—Eugenio Trujillo, 18, and George Cardenas, 19. Bail has not been set on these two young men because they were on parole on unrelated charges at the time of the arrests. They face five to ten years for parole violation just because they participated in a demonstration against the U.S. role in the Mideast war!

BACKGROUND OF THE CASE

The Houston 12 were viciously set upon by police on October 9 while participating in a peaceful demonstration called by Youth Against War & Fascism against the Middle East war. Eight of the twelve people arrested were Chicanos. All 12 were charged with "aggravated assault on police officers" while five were hit with the additional charge of "assault on a policeman with intent to kill." They were all beaten repeatedly at the scene of the arrests, in the paddy wagons, and later in the jail.

An interview with Bartee Haile this morning by Larry Connors of Houston's Channel 13 (ABC network) shows the continued attempts to prejudge this case in the media. The questions centered on absolving the cops from the charge of police brutality and building sympathy for them with questions such as, "How do you feel about the policemen who got hurt?" Bartee's answer to that pointed question was, "A badge doesn't give someone the right to wantonly brutalize other people. I can't really say that I'm sorry some of the policemen got hurt." In the "wrap-up" commentary which ends this type of interview, Larry Connors stated that in his opinion the police "showed restraint" when they arrested the 12 demonstrators.

Twenty-five squad cars full of armed policemen, three paddy wagons, one helicopter, and police dogs converged in the area to attack a group of demonstrators, numerically smaller and unarmed, who were preparing to leave. But Larry Connors, who has cultivated the reputation of a "great liberal," feels that the police showed "restraint!" These 12 Brothers were repeatedly beaten with blackjacks, pistol-whipped, and harassed. What does it take to say the police showed brutality? Do some of the demonstrators have to be killed by the police before the media will stop defending

the vicious stormtroopers of Houston?

In a Channel 13 Sunday afternoon show called "Mexican-American Dialogue" televised yesterday, defendants Alex Rodriguez and Jose Barriga were subjected to a barrage of hostile questions about their role in a demonstration concerning the Middle East. Why didn't they work more in the Chicano community?

Alex and Jose described their wide range of activities in the Northside community where they are based, ranging from organizing for the Farah boycott to the Farmworkers lettuce and grape boycott, organizing in the community against the rise in utility prices, and against the police brutality which is levied against Chicanos consistently in the city of Houston. They stated that they were demonstrating against another Vietnam in the Mideast because they are tired of wars and they know that in proportion to their numbers in the U.S. more Chicanos died in Vietnam than any other group.

Despite the hostility of the questions, Alex and Jose handled them well, often eloquently. The frameup is so obvious that the media must confuse the issue to gain any sympathy for the police.

The defendants out on bail have thrown themselves into the work of the Houston 12 Defense Committee with enthusiasm and energy. The next court appearance in the case will be on November 6, when Trujillo and Cardenas will have a "probation revocation" hearing to determine if they did in fact break parole. To prove this, the DA will have to prove the charge of "aggravated assault on a policeman"—the charges which all the defendants face. In that sense, this hearing will be a preview of the Houston 12 trials to come, for the prosecution will be presenting its "evidence" against the 12.

Now that ten of the defendants are free, the immediate task of the Defense Committee will be to prepare for the protracted struggle of defending eight Chicanos and four whites in a city whose government has launched a vicious campaign of slander and accusation against the Houston 12, a city where the mayoral race centers on which candidate can promise more help for the Police Department, a city owned by such concerns as Tenneco (of Chile fame), Gulf & Western (of South Africa fame), and Exxon (of Rockefeller fame).

DEFENSE COMMITTEE GROWING

There is another Houston, however—a city of poor and working people, many of them Chicano or Black, who have ex-

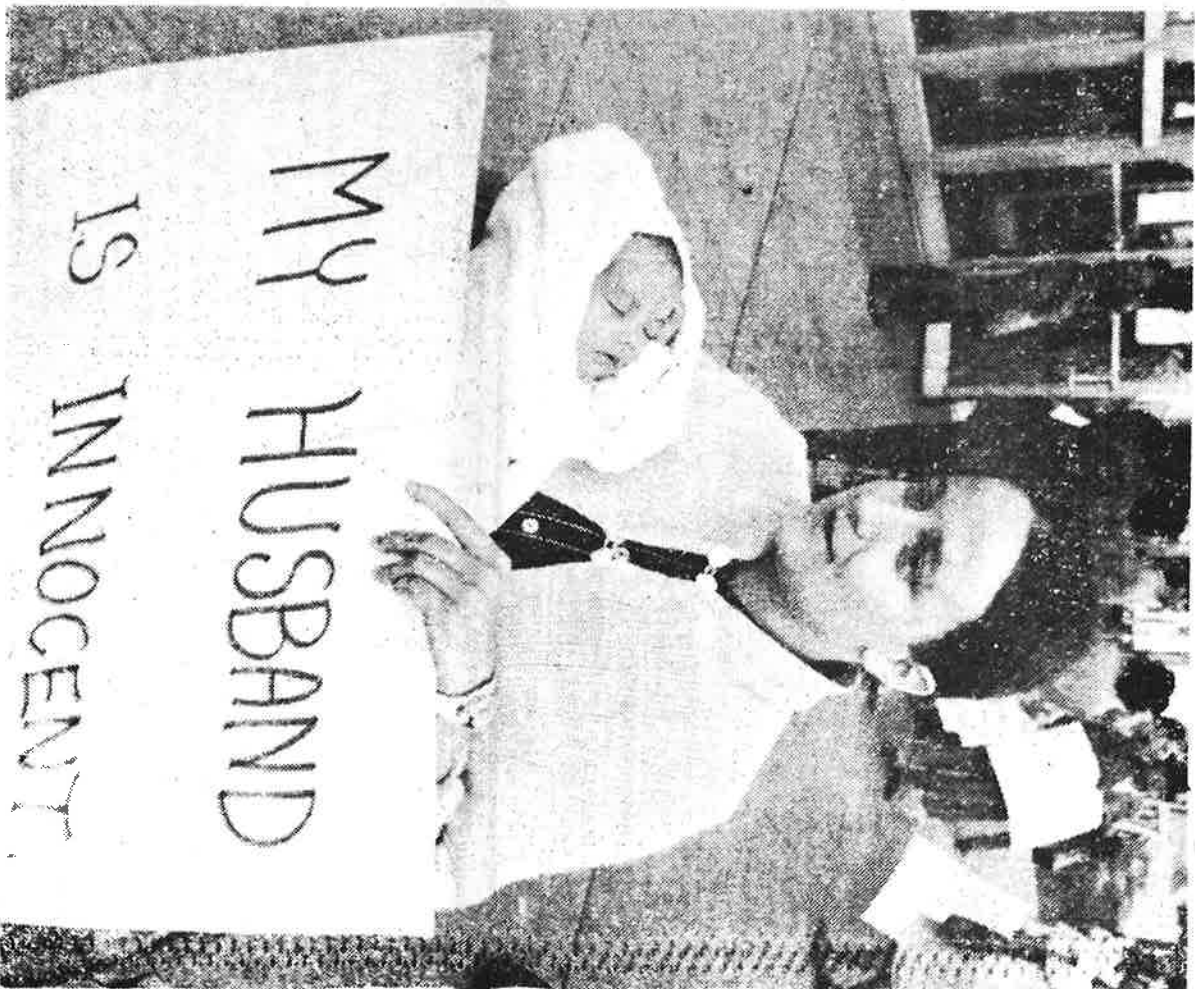
perienced the whip of oppression. On October 21, about 60 relatives and supporters of the 12 met at the Holy Name Church in the Chicano community to hear the seven defendants who were then out describe the police attack on them.

Jose Barriga told in vivid detail how the cops had attacked the picket line, and he also described the beating he and others had received when they were later taken by the police to a warehouse.

Present at the meeting was Modesto Gonzales, an organizer against police brutality in Roseburg, Texas, who was shot in the neck by police who broke into his apartment after repeatedly threatening his life. He emphasized that the community

Don't let anybody tell you that the toiling masses in this country are sleeping, that they aren't ready to fight their oppression. The unskilled workers on our job brought the union in, and we are the ones who fight to make the union struggle for our rights. We're tired of being stepped on and we're ready to throw off our chains!

An unskilled laborer.
A rank-and-file Teamster



Gloria Rodriguez, with her six-week-old daughter Lucha, protests the arrest and vicious beating of the Houston 12.

Houston cops harassing defendants and supporters

HOUSTON, Oct. 31—The hard work of the Houston 12 Defense Committee and the solidarity of the Chicano community and Arab supporters were behind the successful campaign to get the Chicano and white activists out on bail. (Only two of the 12 remain behind bars; bail has not been set because they are accused of violating parole.)

The Committee's fund-raising activities swung into high gear after the bail was reduced October 17 from the astronomical sum of a quarter of a million dollars to the still exorbitant \$74,000. The Committee had to raise over \$7,000 in cash to buy the bail bonds—money that will not be returned when the cases are closed.

On the collective decision of the prisoners, those with the lowest bails were freed first. These seven then helped raise the funds to release the remaining Brothers.

Meanwhile, the Committee had to sustain its activities and deal with other problems. According to Gloria Rodriguez of the Defense Committee: "The police harassment of the defendants and their

should believe the defendants when they describe police brutality because "they know what they're talking about."

Solidarity with the Houston 12 was also expressed by Aureliano Silva. This Chicano man is himself the victim of a beating and frameup by the Houston police, and a struggle has been built around his case in which Youth Against War & Fascism has participated.

The first phase of the defense, that of obtaining the release of the defendants, is almost over. However, funds are still urgently needed and all progressive people are called on to help financially as much as they can. The projected outlook for this case is that of a long and hard struggle against the "judicial" system of the American bourgeoisie.

You can publicize the case in your area and raise funds for the Defense Committee. Contact the Committee at 3520 Moore St., Houston, Texas 77009, phone (713) 227-4022.

FREE THE HOUSTON 12!

families has reached the point of threatening phone calls and consciously obvious vigilance of their homes. Two of them, Ricardo Aguirre and Jose Barriga, have not been able to return to the house they shared because of the police stake-outs in the vicinity of the house. Friends of theirs inquiring about them are told by the police to keep away "for their own good."

"Ricardo has been demoted," she continued, "to a substitute teacher because he isn't wanted in the classroom" due to his politics—because he knows that another Vietnam in the Mideast means that Chicano and other Third World troops will be the front-line troops just like in Vietnam.

"Jose has lost his Teacher's Aide job until 'after the trial is over,' as the principal of the Bruce Elementary School told him. In other words, you are guilty until proven innocent. Not only that," she concluded, "but this is an illegal action by the principal because Jose was working under a HEW (U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare) grant—the only people authorized to fire him."

The impeachment movement and the Mideast war

By SAM MARCY

OCTOBER 28—The majority of Nixon's critics within the U.S. ruling class are trying to separate the impeachment issue from the Midwest war. But this is folly.

Foreign policy is, and always has been, an extension of domestic policy. The ruling class, which exploits the workers at home, is the same ruling class which enslaves and subjugates underdeveloped countries all over the world. The same bosses who will call out the National Guard to break a strike at home will use the power of the military-industrial complex, with all its guns, ships, tanks, missiles, and atomic bombs, when their insatiable appetite for superprofits abroad is threatened.

Monopoly capital's fundamental motivation is profits at home and super-profits abroad. The same 100 largest multinational corporations which fleece and plunder the workers of other countries do the very same thing in the U.S.

The government, as far as they are concerned, is their instrument. In the words of Marx, it is "the executive committee to carry out their common aims." Nowhere is this demonstrated in a more striking manner and with more crystal clarity than in the relationship between the oil monopolies—a key group in the chain of multinational behemoths—and the U.S. government. This doesn't mean just in relation to the Nixon administration, but to all U.S. administrations for well over half a century.

It is well to remember this now, when representatives of substantial sections of the ruling class are clamoring for Nixon's impeachment while at the same time they are approving his most criminal deeds! The "liberals," especially, have made sure to solidarize themselves with Nixon on his handling of the war in the Middle East. Kennedy and Humphrey, for example, went out of their way to show they approve the most belligerent measures taken by Nixon and the military. It is well to remember this because millions upon millions of people are correctly and with great enthusiasm responding to the call for Nixon's impeachment, but they are angered for altogether different reasons. This poses a problem for all the progressive, forward-looking, and advanced workers of how to approach this welcome phenomenon of mass disaffection with Nixon.

NOBODY BELIEVED HIM

As this is being written, the U.S. military alert that Nixon initiated is still partially in force although the crisis seems to have abated, at least for now.

The most important fact to emerge from it is that the mass of the people believe either that Nixon deliberately manufac-

tured the crisis or that he exaggerated it to divert attention from the impeachment issue. This follows logically and inevitably from the sharp drop in his credibility standing with the people. It is to be remembered that a bare 24 hours earlier he was faced with a tidal wave of opposition and calls for impeachment. This outcry was evoked by his ouster of special prosecutor Cox, the resignation of Attorney General Richardson, then the firing of Richardson's deputy, Ruckelshaus, and finally Nixon's humiliating capitulation on the tapes.

But the cunning and deceptive position of the ruling class politicians is lost sight of. They do not at all share the view of the people on this issue. They, in reality, approve Nixon's exercise of imperialist brinkmanship. His monstrous provocation which might well have ignited a worldwide nuclear conflagration is not attacked or opposed by them for what it was and still may be. A careful examination of what the press and the politicians have said about it indicates that they are merely attacking his latest adventure in the Mideast for its form, not for its content. They are attacking his style, the way he did it, and bemoaning the fact that the mass of the people would not have believed him since he lost his credibility.

But they are not denouncing his actions, his aggressive policy in the Middle East.

They are in perfect accord with him in utilizing the tiny puppet state of Israel as a battering ram against the Arab liberation movement. They see eye to eye with him when it comes to the defense of the oil monopolies' interests and U.S. domination of the Middle East and when it comes to laying claim to the Mediterranean as a virtual American lake.

A large part of the ruling class would like to get rid of Nixon and replace him with a more credible executive to manage their affairs. But, at least in words, some are even more jingoist and chauvinist in relation to the Middle Eastern liberation movements than he is, as witness the Senator from Boeing, Senator Jackson.

NO APPARENT DIFFERENCES ON MIDEAST AGGRESSION

The principal proponents of impeachment in the ruling class (we're not talking of the masses who follow them) have come from the liberal bourgeoisie, that is, the Kennedys, the Muskies, the Mondales, the Stevensons, and so on. What have they said about U.S. policy in the Middle East in general and Nixon's current exercise of Hitlerite aggression there?

Not a word of criticism during the entire crisis.

To the extent that any of the voices were audible at all, the criticism was strictly

confined to how Nixon "handled" the situation rather than dealing with the content of his policy of imperialist aggression. On this crucial, all important matter they are all with him. All these illustrious liberal statesmen differ from Nixon in this respect only: they claim they would have done it "better," "more democratically." In other words, because at the present time they presumably have more credibility with the masses, they could

This is the crux of the difference between the bourgeois liberal establishment and the Nixonite rightwing.

The New York Times, which has been the most vocal exponent of bourgeois liberal criticism against Nixon's administration, could scarcely restrain itself from praising Nixon for undertaking this fascist foreign provocation. In fact, it completely separated the Nixon who initiated the



Nixon alert threatens humanity

At 2:00 a.m. on the morning of October 25, President Nixon ordered the full

military forces of the United States put on worldwide alert. White House spokesmen said this was designed to "back off" the Soviet Union in the Middle East. This alert included the entire 2.5 million U.S. Armed Forces, including the nuclear strike force of the Strategic Air Command.

Secretary of State Kissinger stated at his press conference the following day that "civilization" hung in the balance—a clear U.S. threat to use atomic weapons on such a massive scale that a total nuclear holocaust could be unleashed all over the world.

What was the USSR allegedly doing that caused the U.S. to carry out this provocative and warlike threat?

The leaders of the Soviet Union had only stated that they agreed with Egypt's proposal that a joint U.S.-USSR force be sent to the Middle East to police the ceasefire. When the U.S. rejected this plan, the USSR hinted it might send its own troops alone and possibly save the Egyptian Third Army from starvation.

domestic "intelligence gathering."

Do we want Nixon impeached just so someone just as bad or worse can get in? Only a struggle on issues can be a struggle against such a possibility

There is a popular movement sweeping the country demanding Nixon resign or be impeached. People are really angry, and the target of their anger goes deeper than Nixon's personal corruption, bad as that is. People are angry about being deceived on questions of war and peace, where our very

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Nixon crimes:

By DEIRDRE GRISWOLD

Nixon is a crook. Hardly anybody doubts it anymore. He takes huge bribes from corporations in return for political favors. He used every dirty trick in the book to win the last election.

He cheats on his income tax. He destroys evidence that could be used against him. He suborns witnesses.

In other words, he's a typical politician. Because if all he had done was be a crook, he wouldn't be any different than hundreds of other capitalist politicians, and there'd be no unprecedented crisis in the government.

But Nixon is much more than a mere crooked politician. And the struggle over Watergate reflects a tremendous crisis in the whole U.S. ruling class. They've had a

defeat in Indochina, an international monetary crisis, a balance of payments crisis, and are now embroiled in new aggression in the Middle East.

The country that emerged unscathed from World War II and in the preeminent position in the world is no longer "No. 1" in everything.

A terrible tension has grown because, on the one hand, the world empire of U.S. big business is shrinking while, on the other hand, the surging productive capacity of U.S. industry is straining to gobble up new markets and conquer new sources of labor.

"Watergate" is really about all these things. There can be no other rational explanation for such an all-consuming crisis at this time.

The liberal alarm over Nixon comes

Of course, by taking part in any such joint "peace force" the Soviet Union would betray the Palestinian people's right to self-determination, since it would involve using soldiers of the USSR to guarantee the continued existence of the Israeli racist settler state—and in collaboration with the imperialist army of the Pentagon militarists!

Nevertheless, the extreme provocation of the recent nuclear war crisis triggered by Nixon in last week's alert seems doubly mad when one considers that he threatened World War III when the Soviet leaders were only attempting to implement the very same plan he himself had suggested just three years ago.

**NYC Demonstration to
Impeach Nixon**

Saturday, Nov. 10, 12 noon

Gather at Union Sq., march to Bryant Park for rally at 2 p.m.

Sponsored by N.Y. Campaign to Impeach Nixon

Masses shake ground under U.S. Thai fortress

By CALVIN BONNER

The United States lone remaining military bastion in Southeast Asia, having the second largest concentration of U.S. military manpower outside the continental U.S.—the Kingdom of Thailand—was shaken in mid-October by massive student demonstrations against the military government. Three leaders of the junta were thereby forced to leave the country.

The exiled leaders were Field Marshal Thanom Kittikachorn, the Premier; Field Marshal Prapas Charusathien, Deputy Premier and minister of the interior; and Colonel Narong Kittikachorn, Thanom's son and Prapas's son-in-law and deputy chief of internal security. Prapas, as commander of the Communist Operations Suppression Command and as chief of the national police, was considered the most powerful of the three.

The exact number of casualties in the uprising—virtually all from the ranks of students and student supporters—may never be known. An estimated 200 to 400 unarmed demonstrators and bystanders were killed by the military with U.S.-supplied tanks, 50-caliber machine guns, M-16 rifles, and Huey helicopters armed with machine guns. Several thousands more were wounded in the process of bringing down the military junta that had been in power since November 1971.

The new civilian government is headed by Sanya Thammasak, recently the rector of Thammasat University in the capital city of Bangkok and a former chief justice of the Supreme Court. He is the first civilian prime minister Thailand has had in 16 years, and he has promised to restore constitutional freedoms. However, the military has only retired from the glare of public scrutiny; it has in no way been defeated and would undoubtedly resume command if the interests of U.S. imperialism or its Thai puppets were endangered.

Thailand boasts the distinction of being the only country in Southeast Asia never taken over militarily by a colonial power. Instead, the Thai ruling class during the period from 1851 to 1918 signed trade agreements with Britain and France. This marriage of Western capital to the Thai privileged classes wrought deleterious effects on the economic well-being of the Thai masses, 80 percent of whom are peasants.

What makes Thailand important to the interests of U.S. imperialism are six large U.S. air bases operated by nearly 40,000 U.S. Air Force personnel. There has been open hostility shown by many of the 35 million Thai people to the presence of these bases on Thai soil, used in the bombing of Indochina. U.S. advisors to Thailand's counter-revolutionary armed forces are busily engaged in operations against the liberation forces in the countryside in the Northeast and far South. U.S. Special Forces ("Green

Cemetery workers' strike

Fight for union, against Diocese

NEWARK, N.J., Oct. 30—Holy Cross Cemetery Workers of Local 365 in the town of North Arlington are in the sixth week of their bitter strike against the Newark Archdiocese. The issue is crystal clear to the strikers: the Diocese is out to break their newly organized union by refusing to accept a standard union shop clause in their contract.

The union-busting tactics (see WW, Oct. 19) of Monsignor Doyle have only brought the rank and file, who come from different national and religious backgrounds, closer together.

This solidarity went through some trying moments last week when Anthony

Berets") advise and train Thai mercenary troops, which have been used in Laos and Vietnam. (The last 11,000 of these troops were withdrawn from Vietnam in 1972.) Reportedly, Thai mercenary troops are still being used to fight the Cambodian liberation forces.

REPLAY OF S. KOREA, 1960

Thirteen years ago, in South Korea, a very similar popular uprising took place. The masses, under the impact of the heroic student demonstrations of April 1960, forced the bloody dictator Syngman Rhee to resign. But his replacement, Chang Myun, eventually used the army to institute new repressions against the leftist students and workers. And he was replaced after one year by a new military government. Behind each dictatorship in South Korea has stood U.S. imperialism, with its occupying force of 40,000 troops.

The U.S. does not seem too alarmed over the events in Thailand, although it must be carefully appraising the situation in a country so key to its Indochina strategy. According to H.D.S. Greenway of The Washington Post: "The future of the American presence and the air bases here has been put in doubt by recent events, but diplomatic and Thai sources say there will probably be little change in Thailand's foreign policy, at least for the time being. Both the King and Prime Minister Sanya are thought to favor a slow approach to American withdrawal, and sources here say it is doubtful that a caretaker government would radically change foreign policy direction."

But the 400 young people and Thai workers who died did not sacrifice their lives just so that everything would remain the same. In April, they demonstrated against the domination of Thailand's economy by foreign companies. In June, they were in the streets again to attack the heavy influx of U.S. capital which kept the corrupt military regime in power.

Finally, on October 13 and 14, came the showdown with the regime. Some 200,000 unarmed demonstrators demanded an end to military rule, a new constitution, a return to parliamentary government, and the release of political prisoners. Scores of high school students, some armed with Molotov cocktails, attacked a police station before dawn on the 14th. Some 20 of them were killed when police opened fire, but instead of frightening the populace, this action brought tens of thousands more into the battle.

This confrontation brought some big concessions from the military—including their seeming "retirement" from politics. Today the police directing traffic in Bangkok no longer wear pistols, and the city seems calm.

But the guns are still there, the army is still there, the U.S. bases are still there, and the only question is: how long before the people must fight again?

Imperiale, the imperial racist nationally known for his fascist mobilizations of white bigots against the Black people here in Newark, offered his assistance to a few white cemetery strikers who were picketing a church bingo game. He told them he would attend a demonstration at the Newark Cathedral that Sunday that had originally been planned jointly between the rank-and-file cemetery workers and the Center for United Labor Action. The CULA has been actively picketing, leafleting, and demonstrating at the cemetery site and the church with the strikers.

The New York-New Jersey chapters of CULA made their feelings felt immediately upon hearing of this. In an "Open Letter to

Le Duc Tho: Warmakers can keep 'peace' prize

By ELIZABETH ROSS

When it was announced that the Nobel Peace Prize for 1973 would be shared by Le Duc Tho and Henry Kissinger, it was clear to many people around the world that this was a cynical ploy.

But the Democratic Republic of Vietnam refused to be a party to this deception in which the aggressor would have been equated with the victim. In refusing the Nobel prize, Le Duc Tho has let the imperialists know that the struggle for a Socialist Vietnam will go on to final and complete victory.

His message on rejecting the prize put full responsibility for the continuing warfare in Vietnam on U.S. imperialist aggression, making it clear that the Saigon government was only a puppet all along.

"During the last 18 years the United States undertook a war of aggression against Vietnam. The Vietnamese have waged a tenacious and heroic struggle against United States aggression for independence and freedom. . . . American imperialism has been defeated. The Paris agreement on Vietnam has been signed. It is a very great historic victory. . . . However, since the signing of the Paris agreement, the United States and the Saigon government continue in grave violation of a number of key clauses of this agreement. . . . Peace has not yet really been established in South Vietnam. In these circumstances it is impossible for me to accept the 1973 Nobel Prize for Peace."

How incongruous and dishonest it would have been had Le Duc Tho gone to Oslo to receive the gold medal, the diploma, and a sum of money—standing there beside Henry Kissinger! (Can anyone imagine Lenin accepting the Peace Prize along with Woodrow Wilson in 1919?) But by refusing, the Vietnamese have helped diminish an institution which has always sought to elevate and ennoble imperialist rule.

The prizes, founded at the turn of the

Le Duc Tho: No compromise with the capitalist world.



century by Alfred Nobel, a Swedish munitions manufacturer, have for more than 70 years reflected the political attitudes of western imperialism (especially the prizes for literature and peace).

The first American to be granted the accolade was none other than that self-styled "empire builder," Teddy Roosevelt, the man who "spoke softly but carried a big stick." When he accepted the Nobel Peace Prize many thousands of people in the Philippines, as well as a considerable number in his own country, were much more conscious of the blows of his "big stick" than of his softly spoken words and must have winced at the irony of his winning the title of "peace-maker."

Another admirer of imperialism—this time the British variety—was Rudyard Kipling, who received the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1907.

No Asian has ever before been nominated for the Peace Prize, not even Mahatma Ghandi, the idol of liberal pacifists everywhere.

But Woodrow Wilson, General George C. Marshall, the International Red Cross, and Cordell Hull were given the honor. In 1962 Linus Pauling was offered it, but refused.

No citizen of the Soviet Union has ever been offered the Peace Prize. When the Literature award went to a Soviet writer for the first time in 1958, it was pointedly awarded to Boris Pasternak, hardly an advocate of communism. In 1970, Alexander Solzhenitsyn, another adversary of Bolshevism, was offered the Nobel Prize for Literature.

In removing himself from the prize so many politicians have coveted, Le Duc Tho may also be saying that the spirit of "detente" is not the spirit of Vietnam. He may be saying that true revolutionaries will make no compromise with the capitalist world.



the Brothers of Local 365" which was widely distributed among them it said in part: "Our organization, which is made up of Black, Latin, and white workers . . . wishes to inform your members that we will not participate in any action Sunday or any other day as long as he (Imperiale) is present. . . . Our organization has fought and will always struggle against racism and fascism, which is what Imperiale stands for. We wish to appeal to the members of Holy Cross Local 365 to disassociate themselves from Imperiale. Let's have unity, build support that is in this tradition, and win this strike."

The leaflet reminded the striking

political prisoners

Nixon secret police plot exposed

By JOEL MEYERS

President Nixon and his co-conspirators concede that on June 5, 1970, a secret police apparatus was created to spy on those whom the administration considered "enemies." But they claim that the illegal methods of this repressive apparatus were in effect for only five days after its creation.

These methods included widespread wiretapping, bugging, "surreptitious entry" (burglary), and opening and photostating of mail, among other Gestapo-like tactics. Who knows what more has been done that they haven't admitted yet?

June 5, 1970 marked the meeting held in Washington among heads of the CIA, FBI, Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), and various branches of military intelligence, together with Nixon, to coordinate all their activities. Supposedly, the only reason these plans for a unified police-state apparatus were not carried out was that J. Edgar Hoover of the FBI, having been entrenched for decades in what amounted to a police empire, felt the new merger threatened to subordinate him and wouldn't go along with it.

But the recent dismissal, on October 15 of this year, of the December 1970 indictments of 15 members of the Weather

Underground proves the plan wasn't scrapped altogether.

U.S. Attorney Ralph Guy asked Detroit Federal District Judge Damon Keith to dismiss the charges, rather than make the government reveal "foreign intelligence information deemed essential to the security of the United States." Guy's request came immediately after Keith had granted subpoena power to the defense to investigate unlawful surveillance by the government. The government wanted to drop the case rather than expose the illegal espionage tactics used by various police and intelligence agencies.

Of course, the CIA admits using such tactics in various other countries and openly brags of its "Department of Dirty Tricks." But it tries to be more discreet on the domestic front. It should not be forgotten, however, that a plan to kidnap potential demonstrators and "take them below the Mexican border," whatever that may mean, was proposed by Nixon aide Gordon Liddy and rejected by Nixon's Attorney General and campaign manager John Mitchell purely for "budgetary considerations!"

The Weather people defendants are now suing the U.S. government for violating their civil rights. The suit is intended to

they are being led down a road of no return by capitalist war mongers and bona fide criminals.

From my own experience as a Gay prisoner, and the experience from working to be recognized as a minority group, as well as the fact that we are human beings, and deserve the right to be treated as such, I can assure people that Federal prisons are in no way a place for rehabilitation plans.

Even Norman Carlson, the big, bad pig in Washington (Director of the Bureau of Prisons—ed.), admits he runs a caged warehouse of non-rehabilitation... that we do not deserve to be recognized or start programs to help ourselves.

We would like to check on Warden Daggett's saying he is innocent of all the accusations against him, by asking him why people are locked up with no charge for months, and why Gays and other organizations are denied equal status in all programs. I and others of the National Gay Prisoners' Coalition express our views, and demand that Warden Daggett answer to charges which are mentioned in complaints against him so that the public can act as judge and jury.



Leavenworth, Kansas:

When do the oppressed people receive justice, and why are we ignored?

Here in Leavenworth, Warden Daggett and his staff are guilty of violating human rights, freedom of speech, and denial of freedom to express our views on educational and rehabilitation programs. The harassment, brutality, and beating of inmates by the pigs here go unnoticed because the pigs are well protected by their own kind in the public.

It seems that fear is what the people out there are up against, and do not realize that

force the government to reveal the extent of its massive repressive apparatus used against the Weather people.

Gerald Lefcourt, one of the defendants' attorneys, said that this case is "so explosive, it would make the Ellsberg break-in miniscule."

Dim Mak

On October 11, DIM MAK appeared in court in Albany, New York handcuffed and under heavy guard, to stand trial on charges of assaulting six guards two years ago at Clinton, New York, prison.

Dim Mak is a victim of the common practice of prosecuting those who defend themselves against brutal police beatings. His case is the case of all prisoners who stand up against assaults.

Dim Mak's attorney, Jesse Berman, has subpoenaed Eugene Lefevre, superintendent of the ACTEC mind control prison, but Lefevre was excused by Judge Feinberg on a dubious medical note.

The jury panel included four prison hacks, a former FBI employee, a college classmate of one of the guards pressing charges, two people related to Clinton hacks, and a personal friend of the judge. The judge prevented Dim Mak's attorney

Along with the START program, other mind control programs are now in the process of getting off the ground. Can a person be willing to become a robot for the capitalist pigs? Not hardly! Most are tricked into it or are promised pay and a parole. Fear is nothing compared to the daring to push on in our struggle. To dare to win is the only way.

Yours in struggle,

A GAY PRISONER

U.S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Ks., Oct. 15:

This is just a short note to let you know that you have been successful in your struggle against the pigs who have been trying to oppress your paper here in Leavenworth Concentration Camp. It was very beautiful to be able to read your paper once again. Remember with people like you on our side, We Will Win!

Robert Welge, 92397-131

Ohio State Prison, Mansfield:

In a pledge of solidarity with all the Brothers and Sisters that are confined in other camps throughout Amerikkka and

from closely questioning the jury panel about their prejudices.

There can be no doubt that Dim Mak is facing systematic injustice from the court that not only protects the hacks but persecutes their victims. The judge, DA, and prison hacks deserve a heavy dose of their own medicine.

For more information contact the Dim Mak Legal Defense Committee, c/o Jesse Berman, 351 Broadway, N.Y., N.Y. 10013. FREE DIM MAK! TEAR THE PRISONS DOWN!

Joanne Chesimard, Clark Squire

The jury selection in the trial of JOANNE CHESIMARD and CLARK SQUIRE on charges of killing a New Jersey state trooper has shown the racist hysteria whipped up against these two Black liberation activists.

Judge Bachman has reluctantly been forced to dismiss the entire jury panel to avoid declaring a mistrial because the jurors admitted agitating among themselves in the jury room against the defendants.

One juror, who just "by chance" was a friend of the dead trooper, admitted under stiff questioning that someone on the panel

around the world, a percentage of Brothers here held a fast, in remembrance of the mass murders committed by the fascist forces at Attica, on Sept. 13.

Here in Mansfield we have a comrade who is confined in isolation for no other apparent reason other than being Black and poor. The administration has trumped-up some charges against him, claiming that the Brother assaulted a white inmate with a baseball bat during a fight between quasi-Klan types and Blacks. The white inmate has stated that the charge is a lie.

Hesitation in murder has never characterized imperialism! Remember Comrades George and Jonathan Jackson! Remember the sacrifice at Attica!

The Revolutionary Collective at Mansfield

State Prison, Bland, Va.:

The "Isolated Three" as they are called over the entire Va. prison system, Reginald Williams no. 99837, Charles Carter no. 89002, and James X Vest no. 97297, were sent to the plantation here from the state penitentiary in Richmond, because of their involvement with the Dec. 12, 1972, takeover there.

They had gotten rid of most of the

Residents weep as bulldozers rip down their homes to make way for expansion of paper factory. Now, city official responsible has collected his reward.

Bosses' profits before workers' homes

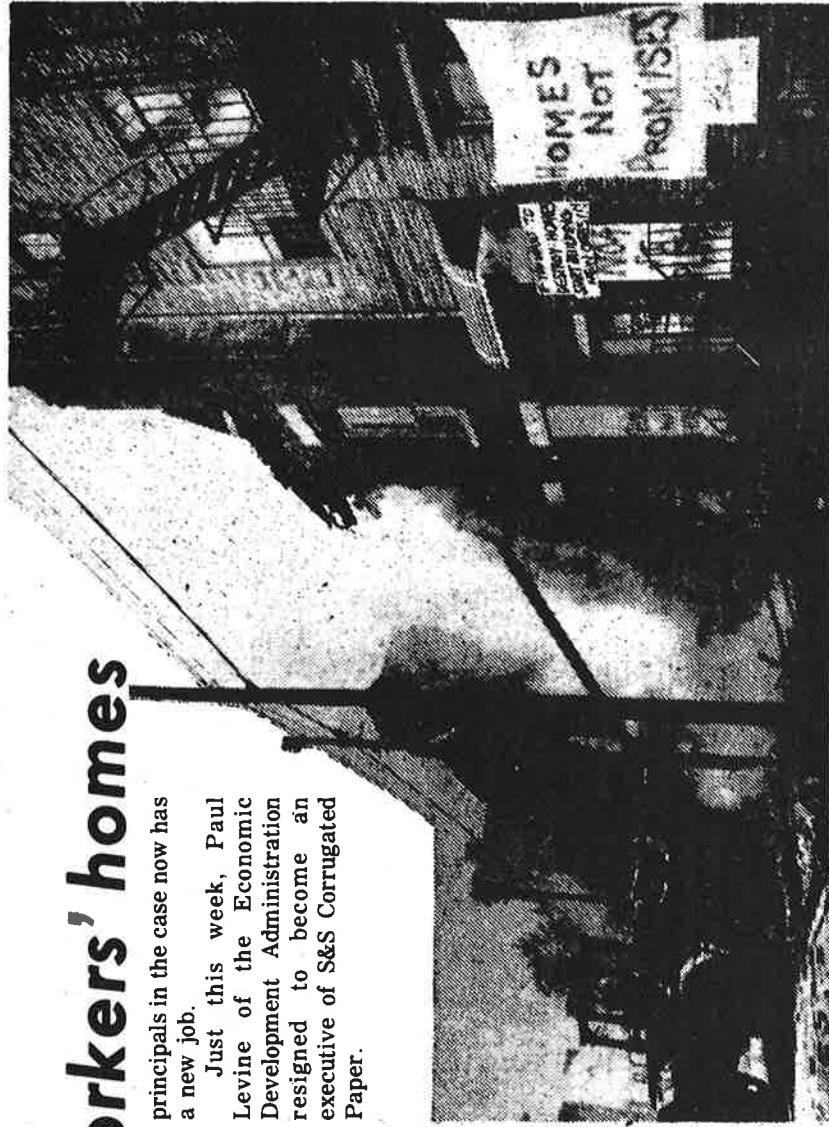
By MARK DORAN

October 25—The Northside section of Brooklyn is a predominantly working class residential neighborhood, where most of the people have lived for years. Much of this came to an abrupt end last September as houses were bulldozed and residents brutally beaten by police as they were being evicted.

The chief culprits in this were the S&S Corrugated Paper and Machinery Company, which wanted to expand into the neighborhood, and the New York City Economic Development Administration, which acted as the company's spokesman before the City Council.

The Northside residents fought the move as best they could in several stormy City Council sessions, but eventually the company won out by threatening to move out of the city altogether. In the end, many of the residents were relocated to condemned housing.

The city claimed the evictions were necessary to save jobs. Well, one of the



military alert from the Nixon whom it accuses of subverting America's democratic rights. In one way or another, the entire capitalist press, TV, and radio pursued the same line.

CAN LIBERALISM HARNESS THE IMPEACHMENT MOVEMENT?

If the capitalist ruling class and its politicians can impose this dichotomy on the emerging mass movement for impeachment, they will completely derail it and make it an instrument to perpetuate blatant reaction at home and imperialist war abroad.

Nixon's latest debacle, which began with the ouster of special prosecutor Cox and ended with presidential capitulation on the tapes, has, as is now plainly evident, aroused a genuine, spontaneous, progressive response from millions of people from one end of the country to the other.

The new tidal wave of opposition is a grassroots opposition in every sense of the word. The masses have at last begun to realize that the revelations which came on the heels of Watergate were not just about corruption, did not only unearth a struggle between two sets of bourgeois politicians, but brought to light a struggle which involves their democratic rights. It has dawned on the people that the Nixon administration posed a fascist threat as evidenced by the institution of a super-spy system and a conspiracy to turn the country in a totalitarian direction. (See "The Meaning of Nixon's June 5th Conspiracy" by Sam Marcy, *Workers World*, August 24, 1973.)

MASSES SEE IMPEACHMENT FROM BROADER PERSPECTIVE

The hardships of inflation, galloping food prices, the wage freeze, urban decay, and rising unemployment of young Black, Puerto Rican, and Chicano youth, especially, as well as of women, have in the minds of people become more and more linked with unlimited arms spending by the Pentagon. The enormous waste of billions of dollars is being held responsible for the shrinking real income of vast sections of the population.

That's why the masses are beginning to blame Nixon. For a long time, the mass of the people had generally separated their economic woes and the country's social ills from the Nixon administration. But now they are beginning to see him as the very incarnation of all their troubles.

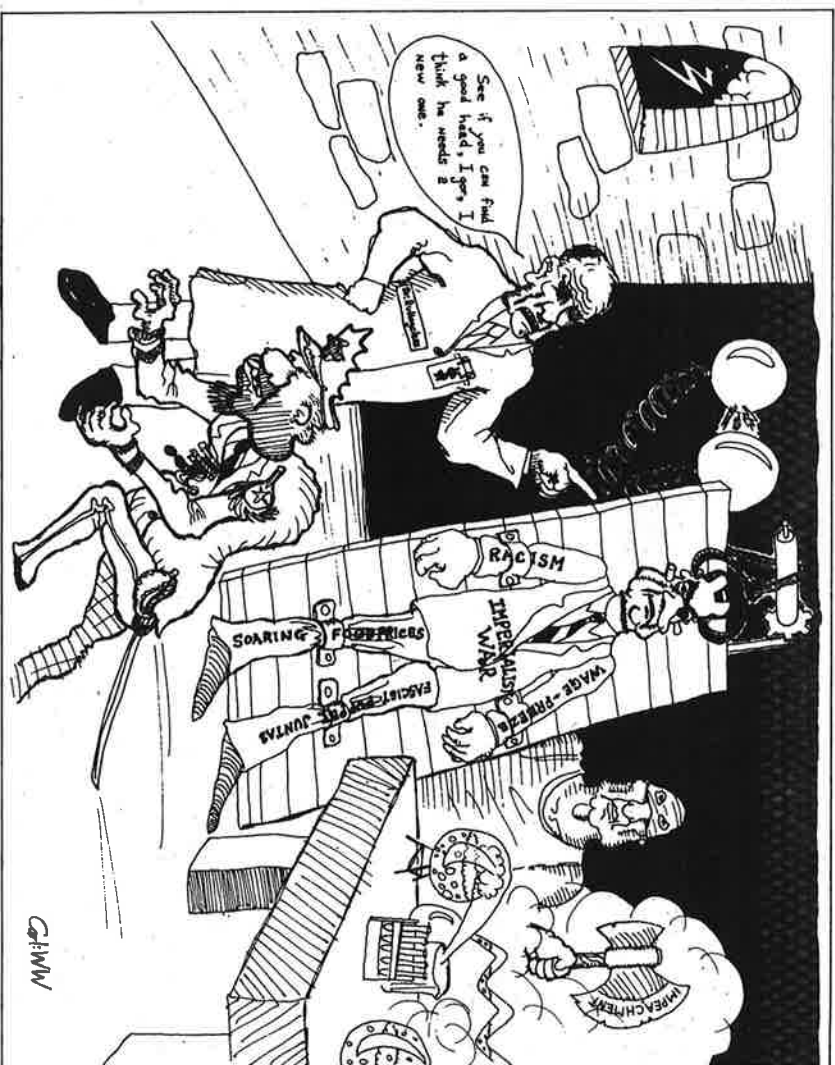
That's why the call for his impeachment is now finding a ready response from the people. It's not just the tapes. It's not just the corruption which most of the people believe is characteristic of both the Democratic and the Republican parties. Behind the tremendous response from vast sections of the working people and the oppressed are the deteriorating economic and social conditions they face.

But how is it with the representatives of the ruling class who are calling for his impeachment or resignation? They are actuated by entirely different motivations. And this is true equally of the liberal as well as the conservative politicians. Most of them want to replace Nixon, if that can be done, but only with a more credible personality—one who would carry out essentially the same fundamental policy with respect to imperialist objectives. This is particularly true as it relates to foreign policy in the Middle East, on which there is almost unanimity in the ruling class, a rare phenomenon for a class torn by a hundred different types of internal contradictions.

In this connection it is important to note that since World War II every president—Roosevelt, Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Johnson—has pursued the same fundamental foreign policy objectives in the Middle East. And these objectives have been promoted, encouraged, and designed by the imperialist monopolies, most of all the oil monopolies. The fact that all these U.S. presidents also carried out a continuing imperialist war in the Far East should further illuminate the overall drive of ex-

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Pro-war Meany forced to attack Nixon

By TOM MITCHELL

Almost 900 of the top union officials in the U.S. followed AFL-CIO President George Meany, at the recent conference of AFL-CIO unions, in calling for Nixon's impeachment.

Meeting for two weeks in a resort hotel in Bal Harbor, Florida, far from the ranks of 20 million workers who pay their bills, these leading labor bureaucrats reshuffled, but also reconfirmed, their political connections to the government and to parties controlled by the bankers and industrialists.

Very few, if any, working people, non-union or union, pay much attention to the goings-on of George "I-never-walked-a-picket-line" Meany, but he must watch that he does not get too far out of step with the mood of more than 80 million working people in the U.S.



FROM COURTSHIP TO IMPEACHMENT

Just one year ago, Meany was leading the top labor office-holders in a courtship of candidate Nixon, and all through the early development of Watergate, Meany expressed support for "the President."

For more than two years Meany has cooperated completely with Nixon's "economic controls" robbery of real wages, to this day having AFL-CIO officials sit on the "stabilization" advisory board although outnumbered by management representatives.

All through the rounds of terrible price leaps this year, Meany supported the signing of many major union contracts which hold the workers to 5.5 percent increases.

It didn't make any real difference when Meany issued statements that families of America's wage earners are getting the food taken from their tables, because never once

did Meany consider calling for the kind of nationwide job actions that would stop the robbery.

But now, at the AFL-CIO convention, Meany launched a sharp attack on Nixon and the government: "Let us keep in mind that the Watergate and the cover-up was paid for by the great corporations of America—the members of the National Association of Manufacturers and the Chamber of Commerce, who seem more than willing to pay out some of their exorbitant profits in order to place their hirelings in strategic spots in a friendly government."

(And we should also keep in mind that Meany and the AFL-CIO leadership have bound themselves hand and knee to that government and are not to be outdone by any in waving the stars and stripes of those great corporations!)

WORKERS AREN'T TAKING IT ANYMORE

An angry rebellion to the post-Vietnam attacks on living conditions is beginning to surface among working and poor people. George Meany may be living a life of luxury, with \$7 million of the \$14 million AFL-CIO revenues going to bureaucrats' salaries, but Meany has an ear for the signs that working people won't take it anymore.

It was the progressive upsurge of working people today that Meany reflected when he attacked Nixon's economic policies and the Watergate political corruption and called for impeachment.

But it was the marriage of Meany and the labor functionaries to the same government's wars of aggression that Meany reflected in his cold-war attack on the detente.

At a convention that was largely given over as a platform for politicians whom Meany is courting, Nixon's current Secretary of Defense, James Schlesinger, addressed the opening session with a call for increased military spending. The Senator from Boeing, Henry Jackson, was given the platform for an attack on trade with the Soviet Union.

Under Meany's direction, the National Maritime Union (NMU) came out of the convention beginning moves for a boycott of grain shipments to the Soviet Union in retaliation for the Arab limitation of oil exports to the U.S.

While the AFL-CIO and the NMU promote anti-communist and anti-Arab war hysteria, the American people have had enough of Wall Street's wars. They do not want a new war for the U.S. oil monopolies in the Mideast.

But George Meany is a cheerleader for U.S.-backed wars of aggression. After all, the international organizational arms of the

AFL-CIO are funded by the CIA to the tune of \$10 million a year! It was only on the last day of the convention that Meany, under pressure, permitted a resolution criticizing the abolition of unions by Chile's CIA-backed fascist junta, and then only in order to make sharper criticisms of Allende.

And here at home Meany is just as committed to the right of big businessmen to get ever richer off the sweat and suffering of working people. Nixon was able to put over wage controls while prices ran wild because Meany and the AFL-CIO refused to give working people the leadership needed to fight back.

Finally, Meany has called for an end to controls (which he was advocating long before Nixon hit us with phase 1), but what we really need now is to turn the tables, taking all controls off wages while putting strong controls on prices.

APPOINTS NIXON MAN TO AFL-CIO
An example of how closely wedded to the government the AFL-CIO bureaucracy has become was shown by the appointment of William Utery to the number three position in the AFL-CIO. Utery has served as Nixon's top anti-labor arbitrator in his position as Director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Services. Now he will head the new and powerful AFL-CIO Department of Organizational and Field Services.

This man, Utery, who was responsible for using the power of the federal government to force workers to compromise their most urgent demands, will join the other fascist traitors of the rank and file, who have so much talent for forcing the workers to swallow rotten contracts worked out at the bosses' country clubs.

Poor and working people want Nixon impeached for his crimes against their living conditions and for his criminal wars abroad. George Meany attacks Nixon from the right and wants to get in with the other big business politicians who aim to replace Nixon.

Long ago Meany sold the independence of the labor movement for his plush position. Not too long from now the American working people will throw out this parasite so they can get at the bosses he serves.

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EDITORIAL

Premier Chou En-lai's interview

Premier Chou En-lai's interview with C. L. Sulzberger published in *The New York Times* of October 29 is astonishing in every respect.

An examination of Premier Chou's stand on some of the fundamental foreign policy matters dealt with in the interview, when compared with the position of the People's Republic a decade ago or even as late as 1970, reveals what a vast and drastic transformation has taken place in China's foreign policy.

In the days immediately following the U.S. invasion of Cambodia, the Chinese press characterized it as fascist aggression and Nixon himself as an outright fascist. However, since Nixon's visit to Peking, all attacks against him have ceased, while virtually nothing has been printed in the Chinese press about Watergate.

"We never used the word scandal in discussing this," Premier Chou said. "Since it is entirely your internal affair, we have never published anything about it in our press."

"Entirely your internal affair." A more sorry diplomatic cliché could scarcely be conceived to characterize Nixon's aborted fascist conspiracy. It is precisely "internal affairs" like these which have the most profound external significance. In any case, the workers and oppressed people of the world, including the people in the socialist countries, have a right to know about an important crisis of U.S. imperialism.

What prompted the People's Republic to maintain silence on Nixon's monumental debacle? Is this what is called normalization

of diplomatic relations? Or is it an agreement to surrender the revolutionary ideological struggle against U.S. imperialism which China characterized as "the worst enemy of mankind" just a few years ago?

It should be noticed that while Premier Chou was obliging in maintaining silence on U.S. "internal affairs," he went to an extreme in characterizing the internal situation in the USSR as "fascism" and described its foreign policy as "expansionism."

According to Sulzberger, "Premier Chou said that he favored keeping the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and Western Europe strong, although he had originally opposed the alliance." How can such a view be justified from a working class point of view? How can it be justified in the eyes of the oppressed peoples?

Keeping West European imperialism strong means strengthening the bourgeoisie against the proletariat. It also means

strengthening a bunch of not-so-"ex"-colonialists against the underdeveloped and oppressed countries. It undermines and overrides the elementary task of the European working class, which is to weaken their oppressors. The duty of the workers' parties is to fight against increasing armaments which fall so heavily on the shoulders of the workers—not help the bourgeoisie arm themselves. The workers must disarm and overthrow them.

Has all this been renounced in the name of détente with the U.S.? This is just what the Chinese leaders had justifiably accused the Soviet leaders of doing. (Incidentally, the Soviet leaders have also kept silent on Watergate, at least until Nixon's special military alert and aggression in the current Mideast crisis.)

According to Sulzberger, Chou said that "Western Europe should avoid illusions that peace was at hand, stay vigilant, and avert its own Finlandization by Soviet pressures." What else could this mean but advising the West European imperialists to unite against the Soviet Union—China's erstwhile socialist ally and leader of the socialist camp? It is clear from Premier Chou's interview that he is trying to propitiate

"The needs of the world working class and the oppressed require socialist unity against imperialist aggression."

Washington and that he now regards the USSR as the main enemy of China.

To understand this 180-degree turn in Chinese foreign policy, one must take into account first and foremost the calculations of U.S. foreign policy. Ever since the establishment of the People's Republic of China and the signing of the Sino-Soviet friendship treaty, which became the most formidable obstacle against imperialist aggression, the U.S. and its NATO allies have worked feverishly day and night to split the alliance, to envenom the relationship between the two socialist allies, and to incite one against the other.

"He left Chicago Avenue in 1970 for another promotion—this time chief of traffic, directing 1,000 men at a salary of \$28,128 a year....

"Lt. Robert Fischer, Braasch's first vice coordinator in the East Chicago Avenue Police District, testified that Braasch approved the formation of a 'vice club' operated by his vice policemen because he and Fischer were operating their own 'Big Ten' club.

"Fischer was on the witness stand for three days. He testified in detail about making monthly pickups of more than \$6,000 from crime syndicate figures he identified as Bill Gold and Dan Gliffa. He said he made the collections for more than two years.

"He said he and Braasch took the larger shares of the 'package' and distributed some of the money to captains and other vice officers in the district.

"Fischer's testimony, along with that of three other former policemen who testified under grants of immunity, was assailed by defense attorneys, who criticized the use of immunity to turn former policemen against their fellow policemen."

Millionaires find starvation 'exciting'

The Manchester Guardian, Oct. 20:

"This week, behind high stone walls on a wooded hillside in one of the world's most desperately poor countries—Haiti—there opened a spectacular hotel for the international aristocracy which its promoter hopes will be 'the most extraordinary, lascivious, and decadent place on earth.'"

"Among its backers are reported to be Jean-Paul Belmondo, Mick Jagger, Alain Delon, the Duke of Bedford, Giovanni Agnelli, the Italian car magnate, Roger Vadim, Prince Egon von Furstenburg, Aristotle Onassis, Baron Edmund de Rothschild, and others.

The ideological dispute between China

and the USSR offered Washington an opportunity to exploit the split and to deepen it. The end result has been that Washington has been able to play off one against the other. This is the basis for Washington's détente with Moscow and Peking. At first it was the Soviet leaders who did everything they could to vilify the revolutionary policy of China and to urge an alliance with the U.S. against China. With Nixon's election in 1968, Washington began a series of overtures to the People's Republic of China which ended with Nixon's visit to Peking.

Since then, China's foreign policy has deteriorated vis à vis the Soviet Union. Unquestionably Chou's encouragement of European imperialist unity against the USSR is in part a response to Brezhnev's encouragement for a new South Asia alliance which China has reason to fear is directed against her.

The ideological dispute which the Chinese leaders opened around 1960 as an effort to revive revolutionary Marxism, and to disabuse the international communist movement of revisionism, has long since deteriorated into a virulent state-to-state struggle and lost all political significance. It

has become converted into nationalist rivalry, devoid of all progressive content.

Both China and the Soviet Union are socialist countries. The needs of the world working class and the oppressed require socialist unity against imperialist aggression. The Vietnam war would have been vastly shortened, the fascist coup in Chile would never have taken place, and U.S.-Israeli aggression against the Arab people would have been turned back if there had been a revolutionary socialist alliance among the USSR, China, and the other socialist countries based upon Marxist-Leninist principles.

"To stay in one of the 38 chalets furnished with expensive woods, gold-plated toilet fittings, and private swimming pool, with three obedient Haitian servants attached, costs \$150 dollars a day. It takes the average Haitian living beyond the walls two years to earn that much.

"When I (*Manchester Guardian* journalist Greg Chamberlain) visited the hotel, the Habitation Leclerc, a few months ago, I noted that the roads to it passed through one of the worst slum suburbs of the Haitian capital where people could literally be seen dying from unchecked diseases in conditions of unimaginable squalor with life expectancy barely 30 years.

"This jolting experience, enough to drive some people to take to the hills as guerrillas, was cavalierly dismissed recently by the editor of one of America's leading newspapers (George Beebe, of the *Miami Herald*) who wrote:

"The approach to the hotel may be distasteful to some guests, perhaps an exciting aspect to others."

Shortcut to press censorship

Parade Magazine, Oct. 20:

"During the course of a meeting with Jeb Magruder of the Committee for the Re-election of the President, Magruder mentioned Jack Anderson and told Liddy: 'We've got to get rid of this guy.'"

"Liddy left the meeting and ran into Bob Reiser, Magruder's assistant. 'I've just been ordered to kill Jack Anderson,' Liddy told him.

"Alarmed, Reiser ran back into Magruder's office and confronted Magruder. Magruder explained that he had just been talking figuratively. He didn't want Anderson assassinated. Later Liddy told Reiser, 'Where I come from that means a rub-out.'"

Liddy came from the FBI!



DECLINE & FALL

'What a militarist I am'

Washington (AP), Oct. 25:

"President Nixon's chief of staff, General Alexander Haig, Jr., concedes he used the phrase 'orders of the Commander in Chief' when he asked Deputy Attorney General William D. Ruckelshaus to fire special prosecutor Archibald Cox.

"At a White House press conference yesterday, Haig, a retired four-star general, gave his recollection of the conversation, after saying, 'Anybody that knows me knows what a militarist I am.'"

The precinct connection

Chicago Tribune, Oct. 6:

"Captain Clarence E. Braasch, once considered the best of the new breed of Chicago policemen, and 18 of his vice policemen were found guilty in Federal District Court yesterday of conspiring to extort money from tavern owners.

"Braasch and ten of the policemen also were found guilty of perjury before a federal grand jury for denying they ever knew about or received shakedown payments from taverns in the Near North Side nightclub district.

"Legal observers said it was the largest number of persons ever to stand trial or be convicted in a federal court.

"A policeman since 1952, Braasch's career did not take off until the Summerdale scandal of the late 1950s. In that scandal, eight policemen from the old Summerdale



"Support your local police."

MIR draws lessons of Chile, prepares for future offensive

This interview with a representative of the Chilean Movement of the Revolutionary Left (MIR) was given October 1, somewhere in Chile, to Rouge, a French revolutionary newspaper.

MIR was underground during the pro-U.S. Frei regime, carrying on guerrilla actions against the bourgeois repressive apparatus. After the Allende victory in 1970, MIR was critical of the Popular Unity (UP) government's lack of a revolutionary perspective and did not participate in the UP coalition. But it did support the leftist government against U.S. imperialism and the Chilean right.

This translation of the Rouge article was prepared by Liberation News Service.

Did you see the coup coming? What are the first lessons you have drawn from it?

The coup that took place on September 11 was written in events that had already happened. We were prepared from a political as well as an organizational point of view. And we had prepared the sectors of the working class and those of the peasantry which we directly influenced. Now, in the wake of the coup, we continue to denounce the illusions of reformism: illusions that cannot but continue to disarm, in the full sense of the word, the Chilean masses. In that sense, the coup conformed, in the most tragic way, our predictions and analysis.

One witnessed, during those last months, a mobilization and heightening of consciousness among Chilean workers which was totally new. That is the fundamental element of that last period. In practice, through their concerns, by their enthusiasm, entire sections of the Chilean working class had begun to break away from the reformist orientation that dominated the UP. If the ruling class and imperialist interests can, to a certain extent, tolerate reformism, they cannot for very long. More and more, the means of production come into the hands of the workers.

About the work you did inside the army—were there important divisions or evidence of resistance within the army at the moment of the coup?

Rumors to that effect have not ceased since September 11. I can say that the fragmentary information that we have on the situation of the army indicates that in the beginning there were quite a few refusals to obey on the part of certain soldiers and sub-officers. They were all shot immediately. At least ten of these cases were reported directly or indirectly and therefore there must have been many more.

That repression makes work within the army very difficult, almost impossible in many cases. On the other hand, if there were a political and military revolutionary offensive which appeared as a real alternative, there is no doubt that a good number of soldiers and sub-officers would be on our side.

Several times, during house searches, soldiers, sub-officers and even officers, closed their eyes when they found weapons: "All we ask is that you don't use them against us."

Considering this we will avoid, in the near future, acts which might help to cement the armed forces into a homogeneous block, and we will work toward furthering the slight but significant manifestations of resistance within the army.

Also, although there has been no decisive division in the high commands of the armed forces as a whole, one would have to be blind not to see the differences between the various sectors.

Within the junta, it is undoubtedly members of the Navy and Air Force that represent the most extreme elements. But one should not overestimate them. They will not fail to reflect the very real divisions which exist within the ruling class. It is

teeth with modern weapons—using tanks and at times, firepower. In contrast, the workers were very poorly armed—almost not armed at all in certain cases. The military was a well-coordinated centralized force carrying out a plan which had been carefully prepared in advance.

The workers from the different factories, from the different cordones (committees in charge of mobilization, distribution, defense and mobilization, set up after workers seized factories after attempted lock-outs by factory owners—ed.) were not centralized, were not even coordinated amongst themselves. Nevertheless, it took about five days, sometimes longer, for the military to defeat the industrial cordones around Santiago.

In the provinces, things happened in generally the same manner. This explains the great number of dead during the first few days. In certain places it was a veritable massacre. In one of the most important factories, in Santiago, 200 dead bodies were taken out from the basement. Under such circumstances, retreat was inevitable.

You characterize the actual situation as a retreat, not as a crushing defeat?

Without a doubt. In spite of the ex-



"For this lost battle, the Chilean workers have paid a great price." photo: LNS

traordinary number of victims, the repression, in most cases, has not been selective at all. A fact that one must know and make known to the outside world is that while a great number of militants and political cadres perished, the revolutionary organizations—especially MIR—have not been dismantled.

In spite of two heavy losses, the essential core of our structure and our apparatus is absolutely intact. In this sense, we have been consistent in our analyses and the measures we have taken have borne fruit. The military know this and it bothers them terribly. Their victory communicates are tainted by an unrecurrent of fear: without conviction, they exhibit material and weapons that have been seized and try to demoralize us by pretending to have made massive arrests in our cadres. But they know they're lying and this is a decisive factor in the phase that is now beginning: a factor which allows us to talk of inevitable revolutionary offensive.

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U.S. companies return

If there were ever any doubts that the fascist military junta in Chile is a puppet of the U.S. imperialist monopolies, the junta's statement of October 19 should have buried them forever. The junta announced that it would "return more than 300 Chilean and foreign companies that were taken over without compensation by the government of the late President Salvador Allende Gossens." Among these companies are about 40 with American investment. Meanwhile, in Washington, the junta's Chilean embassy is already busy preparing a list of companies to be returned to U.S. bosses, companies which had been taken over by the workers.

And what about the other leftist organizations, in particular the parties of the Popular Unity?

Although we have had contacts with militants of the Communist Party (PC) and the Socialist Party (PS) and the United Popular Action Movement (MAPU—a left split from the Christian Democrats) I will talk with prudence and on an individual basis.

About the MAPU: although it is a small group, I think I can say that it has not suffered much damage either in its organization or in its structure.

About the PC: it seems that many intermediate cadres disappeared or were arrested. One thing is certain: in one blow the illusions about the peaceful road to socialism have fallen. In addition, the structure of the PC seems to be deeply disorganized, although the leadership of the PC has participated in the battles in the cordones. Today, a great number of militants have no precise guidelines and are on their own.

As for the PS, the situation is relatively complicated given the complexity of the cross-currents which existed in the party when it was in power. The structure of the PS itself did not prepare it for this situation. But many militants, many revolutionary currents within the PS, which had their own structures and organized cadres, fought the repression and are preparing for future struggles.

How does the MIR plan to carry on?

We advocate the formation of a Revolutionary Front which should include the parties of the UP as well as ourselves. The task of the Front would be to prepare as soon as possible, a counteroffensive against the actual regime, a political and particularly a military counteroffensive.

Members of the Communist Party, with whom we have had initial discussions about this subject, have agreed with the idea of unity—even with us, which is a new attitude for them. They have also recognized the need for a quick counteroffensive to prevent the present disorientation of some sectors of the resistance from becoming a deep demoralization.

But these members of the PC are not in agreement about the objectives and characteristics of such a Front. Some of them have defended and still defend the idea of a broader Front which would include sectors of the Christian Democrats—even the entire party.

This position is consistent with the politics defended by the PC within the UP government. They persisted in encouraging the alliance with the Christian Democrats against the extreme right. The support of many sectors of the Christian Democrats for the junta puts these politics in the proper light.

However, a change of heart is not impossible. It seems today that the PC, pushed by many of their militants, especially the Communist Youth sector, is changing and will accept participation in the Front as we propose it.

In any case, we have no illusions: the struggle against reformism in the framework of such a Front, or any other structure, remains and will remain for a long time, one of our primary tasks.

Without making great speculations, it is evident that after the experience the Chilean masses have had, the left will come to great upheavals rather soon—and a real restructuring. Certainly these upheavals will not result from the spontaneous conclusions which the masses will deduce from their experience. They will depend, essentially, on the capacity of the Front to respond to the situation in practice, in action, and as soon as possible. They will depend on our capacity to hurt the enemy.

You have spoken of the massacres which followed the coup but the repression has continued for three weeks without mercy. Every night during the curfew from 10 pm to 6 am, neighborhoods are raked, people are arrested, tortured, disappear, are assassinated. Just yesterday, I saw, with my own eyes, five recently dead bodies on the banks of the Rio Mapocho in the

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U.S. teaches terror to its Latin puppets

By JIM KOWALSKI

Three-quarters of a century ago, most of Latin America was winning its independence from Spain and setting up constitutional governments under the control of the classes that own the factories and land.

But today, military dictatorships have a stranglehold on South America in Brazil, Uruguay, and now Chile, to name but a few countries.

The twentieth century has witnessed the growth of imperialism, which Lenin described as an inevitable aspect of capitalism. But the American colonial masters disguise their domination by setting up puppet regimes, headed by replaceable five-star stooges.

The popular movie "State of Siege" showed how Latin police and military stooges are coddled and coached at the Border Patrol Academy in Los Fresnos, Texas, by U.S. hawks. The Agency for International Development (AID) gives a "Technical Investigations Course" which includes labs on the construction and use of booby traps and bombs. The "dirtiest tricks" section is taught by a guest lecturer from the C.I.A.

Armed agents, both civil and military, of Latin oppressors are tutored in terror at the International Police Academy in Washington and schools maintained in Panama by the U.S. Army, Navy, and Air Force.

In South America and the Caribbean, over 170 graduates of the U.S. Army School of the Americas are heads of state, chiefs of staff, commanding generals, or directors of intelligence!

Since its foundation in 1949, there has always been a powerful American officer on the staff of Brazil's War College, the Escola Superior de Guerra.

In the Canal Zone, the Inter-American Air Forces Academy has graduated 11,577 officers in the last ten years. The current class has a heavy Chilean enrollment of over 25 percent.

The allegiance of Wall Street's southern enforcers is purchased by any and all forms of privilege, luxury, and vice. At least an-

ually, key thugs are flown back to Washington where they stay at the best hotels with large expense accounts.

The commandant of the U.S. military's Canal Zone school told a reporter, "We keep in touch with our graduates and they keep in touch with us."

This closeness, as the creation of American neocolonialism, can be seen in the string of recent military takeovers in countries where democratic governments started to kick out the parasitic U.S. corporations: Brazil, Guatemala, Uruguay, and Chile.

Terror and torture are everyday tools of the repressive regimes in these countries, the "strange fruits" of the American academies of death. Going beyond simple beatings to electric shock and many diabolical Yankee ingenuities, torture is the principal method used to break any organized resistance. In Brazil, where the police are internationally notorious for their atrocities, 6,858 police chiefs were schooled in the U.S. Over two-thirds of Brazil's 274,000 police were given American training in Brazil, through the U.S. AID's "Brazilian Public Safety Project."

The U.S. teaches its Latin military and paramilitary students other things besides torture and counterinsurgency. Course offerings include industrial management and necessary industrial processes. At Fort Gulick in the Canal Zone, one class deals with the selection of an industrial informer.

The military is prepared to seize power and crush workers' organizations because Wall Street can't afford to lose a labor market where the pay is 20 cents an hour. Ford's Brazilian plant will ship 200,000 engines, all built by this slave labor, to Detroit in early 1974. In fiscal year 1971 alone, foreign investors took out over \$1 billion in profits from Brazil.

The millions of Latin American people who are stifled and held down by these predators and their hirelings cannot fail to struggle against these conditions. And as their options are closed by one military takeover after another, they are choosing the only road left—that of revolutionary armed struggle.

- Nixon crimes

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lives are at stake: the cover-up of the brutal bombing of Cambodia; the false promises that Nixon would end the Vietnam war in 1968 and the delay in signing the treaty promised in the 1972 elections—followed by the worst bombing of the war; the growing war in the Middle East and the hardships that threatens.

They're angry about high prices and frozen wages in a time of soaring profits; about a military budget that swallows up social services; about continued unemployment and despair among oppressed people and youth, many of them veterans.

- 'Detente' in the Mideast

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speaks for after all these years.

Similarly, Peking Review of October 19 ran long articles denouncing Israeli aggression without mentioning U.S. im-

A struggle to impeach Nixon for all these reasons—not merely the strictly "Watergate" questions—will speak to the real problems confronting the American people. Nixon should be held personally responsible for every one of them, in his capacity as Chief Executive for the billionaire ruling class, but a struggle on these issues will not be a struggle just against one corrupt man.

It will help move the masses of people who are suffering in this country against the whole social class responsible for their misery.

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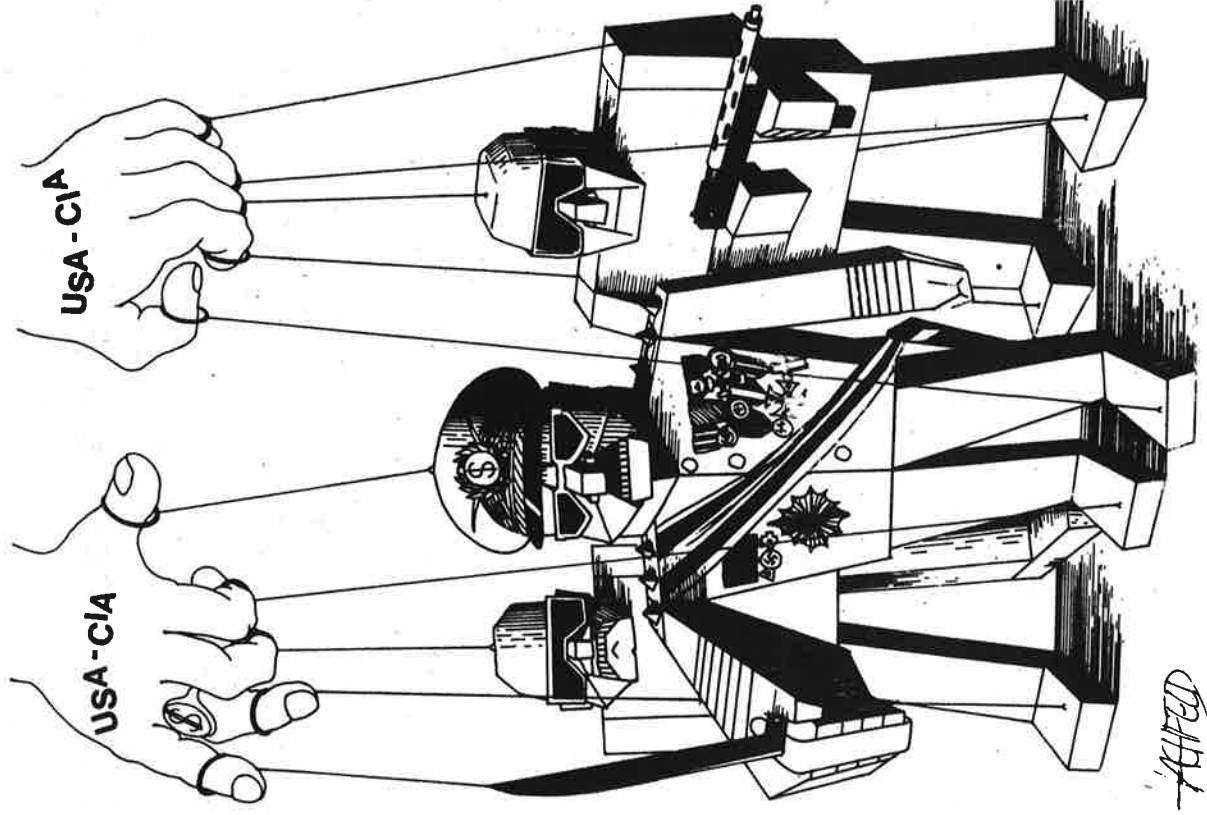
perialism once! Instead it referred only to the "superpowers" (meaning the USSR and the U.S.), equating the two as if both were supporters of Israel.

All this confusion, however, is not due to an inability of the Chinese and Soviet leaders to see Israel for what it is—a tool of imperialism. Rather, the leaders of the USSR and China are following an illusory policy, trying to placate the U.S. If the Mideast crisis and Nixon's threat of nuclear confrontation prove anything, however, it is that no detente with U.S. imperialism can be considered stable and that imperialist war is the inevitable result of the U.S. system of monopoly capitalism.

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- MIR on Chile

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this situation on a national scale?

It is the most urgent and dramatic question. The work of the forces of repression is being carried out now in a more discreet manner but on an extremely large scale. I don't know what to call it. It is dreadful...unbelievable! Every day all you have to do is walk at dawn in the streets of Santiago to verify this.

Corpses lying here and there—especially on the banks of the river—evidence of the work accomplished during the curfew. There are also searches, the hunting down of militants and known political cadre, although this has not been very successful.

Then there are the denunciations. Occurring with most frequency in the upper and middle class neighborhoods, the accusations lead, with no proof or verification needed, to detention in the National Stadium (there are about 7,000 prisoners in the stadium now) and often to death.

The newspapers and the radio stations increasingly incite people to denounce others. Every day they repeat the telephone numbers to call and offer tempting rewards.

In the poblaciones (workers' quarters), there have been, as happened in the factories, many massacres when the people showed any resistance.

An example which I witnessed in a poblacion in Santiago: a group of young people seized a fire truck, put on the uniforms of the captured occupants, took up weapons and drove around the neighborhood. Whenever they saw soldiers, they

shot, killing some. They were arrested, brought back to their poblacion and were executed immediately. The residents, forced to gather at the place of execution, were machine-gunned. The count? A few dozen, a few hundred dead? Will we ever know....

This anecdote is not an isolated example. You have seen it yourself. Even today, it is impossible to walk in the poor sections of Santiago without seeing a corpse here or there, lying in a corner.

As to the climate of xenophobia (hatred of foreigners) that the junta is trying to foment—it surpasses the imagination! Here, again, it is necessary to mobilize people outside the country: our militant comrades, political refugees, even simple residents—Bolivians and particularly Brazilians—risk their lives every moment. Simply because they speak with an accent, they are turned in by their neighbors. On this denunciation, they are arrested, taken to the stadium and there, very often, they disappear.

One must scream out all of this, a campaign must be organized because otherwise, a wall of silence will fall. Today the junta has threatened to severely punish (and one can imagine what this means coming from such executioners) any journalist, or person, who sends "alarming news" about the repression and the situation of foreigners in Chile to the outside world.

It is necessary to do everything in order that maximum information be distributed. The reports you have brought us about the reaction to the coup, about the campaigns undertaken, are an extraordinary encouragement for our struggle. Your presence here in such a difficult moment has a priceless value for us, so great is our isolation from the rest of the world at the present moment.

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'The Second Gun' Film disproves Sirhan assassinated RFK

By ANDY STAPP

When Robert Kennedy was assassinated at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968, it seemed to be, as Los Angeles Police Chief Elmer Davis called it, "an open and shut case." Within minutes after the killing, the "authorized" version was blared across the country: a crazed Arab nationalist had killed Kennedy and the assassin's name was Sirhan Sirhan. All the authorities, from Los Angeles's ultra-rightwing Mayor, Sam Yorty, to the editors of the liberal Newsweek, agreed on this.

In the weeks following the murder a familiar theme was dinned into the head of every citizen: no conspiracy, just one lone, mad assassin.

LOOK FOR THE POLITICAL MOTIVE

Workers World newspaper, alone among all the radical and bourgeois press, challenged these self-serving statements emanating from the mouths of ruling-class spokesmen.

In an article in the June 6, 1968, Workers World entitled "Fascist Violence and the Kennedy Assassination," we wrote: "Yorty was a political enemy of Robert Kennedy from the right, and he is the instrument of a substantial section of the ruling class which found Kennedy's assertions on Vietnam and the Afro-American unpalatable. (Not that they had any fundamental differences. But the tactical dispute was nevertheless sharp.)

"In short, Yorty and the Los Angeles police are certainly prime suspects themselves!"

And now, five years later, a documentary film, "The Second Gun," has opened in the major cities of the U.S., giving strong evidence that Kennedy was not shot by Sirhan (although Sirhan did shoot wildly and injured several other people) and that the trigger man was a Wallacite named Thane Eugene Cesar, a man Sirhan had probably never even met.

Immediately after the assassination California Attorney General Evelle J. Younger began what he called an "exhaustive investigation" to determine if anyone with rightwing connections could have been in the hotel kitchen when Kennedy was slain. He boasted that his department interviewed 4,000 people in this regard (almost as many as ex-FBI chief and Watergate conspirator Patrick Gray interviewed last year before he was caught destroying evidence).

But, said Younger, he could not find one person with rightist connections even near Kennedy. Chief of Detectives Hauffman concurred with this finding.

"The Second Gun" exposes this clumsy deception. Thane Eugene Cesar, an armed hotel guard, was standing at the right rear of Kennedy when the killing took place. Interviewed in the film, Cesar says, "The Kennedy's gave the country to the commies and the minorities. I worked for Wallace. The Black man, well, you've learned to hate them. There's going to be civil war. I'm fed up. If we can't do it with votes, then we'll take it into our own hands."

Donald Shulman of KNXT-TV saw

Cesar draw his gun and fire it, but in all the confusion, he could not see exactly where Cesar was shooting. Cesar owned a .22-caliber pistol similar to Sirhan's, which he sold after the assassination. The police never examined it, and after the sale it was "stolen."

EYEWITNESS, CORONER, BALLISTICS EVIDENCE

The fatal bullet which killed Kennedy was fired from behind and on RFK's right side under his ear, from a distance of two inches. This is exactly where Cesar was standing when Kennedy died. Though L.A. Chief Coroner Dr. Thomas Noguchi said that Kennedy could have been killed only from

SYRIA COMMENTS

On June 11, a week after the assassination of Robert Kennedy, the leading newspaper of the ruling Socialist Baath Party of leftist Syria blamed the death of RFK on "the same monopolistic forces of capitalism which murdered John F. Kennedy five years ago. These forces, the paper stated, 'have purposely used a youth of Arab origin as their tool to camouflage the real motive for the murder and provide anti-Arab circles in the United States with ammunition to intensify their propaganda against the Arabs.'"

Elsberg asks: Was Nixon behind Wallace shooting?

Pentagon Papers defendant Daniel Ellsberg stated in an interview in the November 8 Rolling Stone newspaper that the attempted assassination of George Wallace should be reexamined to determine if the "Nixon team" of Hunt, Liddy, et al., were responsible for the shooting.

Elsberg was the first highly placed official in the Nixon administration (at one time he was the deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense) to leave the inner government and then to reveal, with top secret documents, its closely guarded secrets. This is the first time anyone with such high government connections has linked Nixon to the Wallace shooting.

However, it should be recalled that this summer Senator Edward Kennedy began making overtures to the arch-racist Wallace in order to unite both their factions of the Democratic party against the Nixon clique. It is possible that Ellsberg may well be acting as a spokesman of the Kennedy grouping in its maneuvers to curry favor with fascist Wallace.

Nevertheless, details have emerged in the Watergate revelations that give added significance to Ellsberg's suspicions that Nixon may have been behind the attempted killing. For example, Nixon aide Charles

behind, all the witnesses who testified for the state at Sirhan's trial placed him at least two feet in front of Kennedy. Though there is no doubt that Sirhan was trying to shoot Kennedy, William W. Harper, a ballistics expert accredited in seven western states, flatly contradicted the findings of the L.A. Police Department investigator, DeWayne Wolfer, findings that Wolfer said "proved" Kennedy had been felled by Sirhan's gun.

Harper proved it was easy to determine through ballistics tests that not one of Sirhan's bullets had even hit Kennedy! There is a great deal more information presented in "The Second Gun" that discredits the official findings, certainly enough evidence to warrant the arrest of the hotel cop, Thane Eugene Cesar, on the charge of murdering RFK.

The main political conclusions that working and oppressed people can rightly draw from this film are about the nature of bourgeois rule in general. A few ounces of lead fired by the gun of a reactionary extremist, a fascist who is an integral part of the police apparatus, may decide the ultimate outcome of a national election. The people in fact do not choose who will be president, they are only asked to go to the polls and ratify a choice already made for them by a police assassin.

AN ARAB SCAPEGOAT

It is a notorious fact that southern California and Texas, the areas where both Kennedy brothers were shot, are hotbeds of racism and the headquarters of various fascist movements. Politically the region is under the control of Goldwater-Reagan-type politicians who are the stooges of the most adventurous and militaristic sections of big business, particularly the Southwestern oil barons.

By liquidating the Kennedy brothers,

Colson secretly sent Watergate conspirator E. Howard Hunt to Milwaukee on the day of the shooting to remove papers from the apartment of Arthur Bremer, the triggerman.

Although poor and working people can give no confidence either to the "liberal" Kennedy clique or to the neo-Nazi Wallace camp Kennedy is courting, it is both useful and necessary for us to understand the real mechanisms of capitalist rule in this country—methods that have increasingly tended toward assassination both of the leaders of the oppressed and of the spokesmen of rival bourgeois groupings within the ruling class itself.

Elsberg's statement on the Wallace matter follows:

"Wallace was absolutely critical to their (Nixon's) election chances. If you look through the Evans and Novak book, you'll find that from 1969 on, Mitchell's preoccupation was that in 1972 Nixon must add together his and Wallace's 1968 votes. The 'Southern strategy' was adapted to that end—Nixon must not antagonize any Wallace-type votes by favoring blacks in any way, or failing to favor Southern candidates, as in the Supreme Court nominations.

As the London Times of October 22 intimates, the hesitation of the Army brass to step in can be accounted for by its uncertainty about whether to bolster Nixon by its intervention or to replace him.

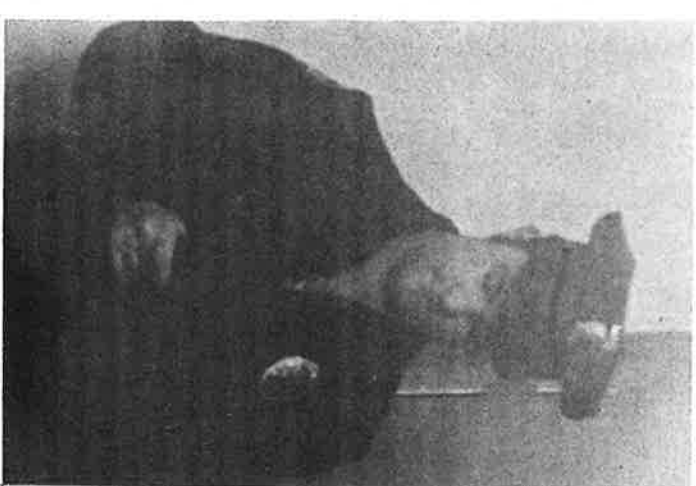
WHAT MUST BE DONE?

What must progressives do in relation to the impeachment movement? First of all, we must fight any attempt to confine the struggle against the Nixon administration to mere impeachment.

The impeachment movement must be geared not only to all the bread and butter issues of the workers, the poor, and the

they struck a severe blow at their main rivals within the ruling class. And by manipulating Sirhan ("The Second Gun" presents chilling tape recordings of Sirhan being browbeaten by the prosecution while under hypnosis), they were able to gain the added benefit of whipping up an anti-Arab hysteria—just the kind of hysteria needed to get people in the proper frame of mind for an oil war against Arab countries in the Middle East.

If, as is often pointed out, Watergate is "the tip of the iceberg," "The Second Gun" gives us a glimpse of what lies beneath the murky, and troubled waters of capitalist rule in America.



Hotel cop Thane Eugene Cesar. Did he fire the fatal bullet?

"But all of that merely made Nixon eligible for the Wallace votes, if Wallace didn't run. There isn't a single word in Evans and Novak book about how this aim of adding Nixon and Wallace votes was going to be achieved if Wallace ran.

"You could imagine that they hoped to make a deal with Wallace not to leave the Democratic party, and there were rumors that there had been such a deal. It's one thing for Wallace to decide not to run against Muskie or Kennedy, but suppose they were successful in the other part of their strategy, to knock Muskie out and get a candidate like McGovern. How could Wallace be induced not to run as a third party candidate then?

"Even with McGovern as the candidate, Nixon was in deep trouble if Wallace ran. And he would lose if someone other than McGovern were the candidate.

"Now, let me try to state this very carefully, without being coy, but without totally avoiding the subject. Knowing now what the Nixon team was prepared to do to help his election, knowing that prominent members of that team were professional managers of assassinations—I'm referring here to Hunt and to people who worked with him—and knowing that Wallace's not running was crucial to their success in '72, I think we must face the fact that the attempted assassination of Wallace deserves very close reexamination by law enforcement agencies. There is no need to say more than that. But I think at this point you needn't say less than that."

oppressed, but also to the critical issues of foreign policy. It must attack the foreign aggression which has been a bipartisan policy of U.S. finance capital since the turn of the century.

The ruling class will not cease and desist from a continuation of this policy. The liberal as well as the conservative bourgeois politicians will, under cover of the clamor for impeachment, utilize the progressive anti-Nixon sentiment of the masses to continue the very same criminal war policies that the Nixon administration is conducting.

Now that Nixon is so discredited and is,

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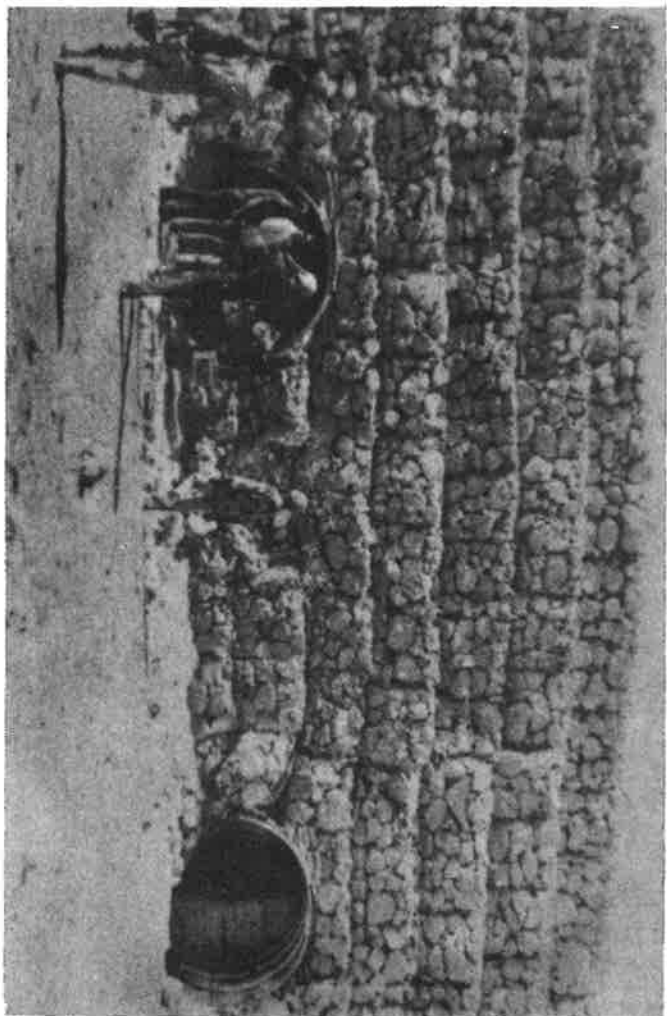
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pansionist monopoly capitalism. The two wars are intimately connected because they flow from the same organic need of imperialist expansion.

NIXON UNDER ATTACK FROM LEFT AND RIGHT

During all this time there has been vehement opposition to each and all of these presidents, sometimes on an antiwar basis, sometimes on an economic basis, led by a



Israel's "impregnable" Bar Lev line in Sinai. Egyptian Army cracked it in first hours of the war.

Oppressed nations' right to aid

By ANDY STAPP

A number of false arguments have been raised in relation to the current Middle East conflict, arguments that are designed to defame the national liberation struggle of the Arab peoples. Basically these lies fall into two categories: First, that the Arabs are "pro-Nazi," because "they objectively aided Hitler" during World War II when they revolted against the English; and second, that the Arab states are really "colonies" of the Soviet Union because they are fighting with weapons supplied by the USSR.

To put the "Nazi" lie in proper perspective, one should remember that everyone who did not line up with the anti-Axis imperialists during World War II was accused of "aiding fascism." When the NAACP made some mild moves to demand equal rights in 1943 they were branded by liberal and conservative alike as "disrupters of the war effort." When the Black people of Harlem revolted against police terrorism in the same year, the press said, "They have struck a blow for Hitler." When John L. Lewis led the coal strike in April of 1943, he too was called a "fascist."

Mahatma Gandhi was labeled "an agent of Japanese imperialism" because he continued to agitate against English colonialism during the war. And, of course, the Irish Republicans were slandered as being in "the pay of Hitler" even though they almost daily engaged in street battles with the Irish Blue Shirts, a real fascist organization.

Recently, a Zionist organization in New York issued a leaflet, entitled Arabs and Nazis, that asserts that the Arab leaders of Egypt and Syria are Hitlerites. Some of the sponsors listed on the leaflet of this so-called "Youth Committee for Peace and Democracy in the Middle East" include such youngsters as Hubert Humphrey, Albert Shanker, and oil baron Nelson A. Rockefeller!

**IRAQ'S REBELLION
AGAINST ENGLAND**
What is the basis of the "pro-Nazi"

myth about the Arabs during World War II? This fable largely originated in the great Iraqi revolt of April-June 1941, when the people of Iraq rose up against their brutal English masters at a time when the English were occupied trying to keep the Germans from seizing another one of their colonies, Egypt.

From 1920 to 1930 Iraq had been a British Mandate Territory, ruled by King Faisal ibn Hussain of the Hashemite royal house. The British mandate ended in 1930, but London kept de facto control through an unequal treaty which allowed England to maintain two air bases in Iraq, one at Shaibah near the port of Basra, and another at Habbaniyah 55 miles west of the Iraqi capital of Baghdad.



English generals Wavell (right) and Quinlan who commanded 'Iraq Force' that crushed 1941 revolt.

At the outbreak of World War II the country was ruled by a regent in the name of Faisal's grandson, King Faisal II. Taking advantage of the severe inter-imperialist contradictions raised by the war between England and Germany, the Iraqi people made plans for their liberation. On April 1, 1941, nationalist leader Rachid Ali announced the English-puppet regent deposed. Three former prime ministers who had served the English fled the country, and the young King Faisal and his mother were placed under palace arrest.

The regent fled Baghdad in the back of the American minister's car. The English imperialists moved immediately to regain control of the colony and dispatched the King's Own Royal Regiment, the 10th Indian

Arabs shoot down 'super-Israeli'

NOVEMBER 1—On October 7, the day after the latest war in the Middle East broke out, Israeli General Ariel Sharon told the London Sunday Times: "Israel is a superpower and within a week we can capture all the territory stretching from Bagdad to Khartum and Algeria." Lieutenant General David Elazar, the Israeli Chief of Staff, echoed Sharon's smug statement, saying: "I don't believe the Egyptian forces have the faintest chance of winning a battle" and "We will break their bones." Much of the imperialist press predicted a "two-day war" that would annihilate the Arab armies.

The war didn't end in two days or even two weeks and the results of the fighting to date are quite different than the crushing defeat Israel inflicted on the Arabs in Moshe Dayan's much-vaunted "blitzkrieg" of June 1967. Newsweek magazine, which cheers U.S.-puppet Israel, admits in its issue dated November 5 that Israel is "groggy from appalling losses," with 4,100 killed and wounded, 110 of their modern U.S. jets shot

Division, the 1st Essex Regiment (a unit notorious for its atrocities against the Irish people after the Easter rebellion), and other troops to crush the uprising.

On the night of May 5 the King's Own Royal Regiment attacked and massacred the Iraqi inhabitants of the village of Sin el Dhibban, all, of course, in the name of "fighting Nazism." By June the English had bombed and shot down the popular opposition and "saved Iraq."

Of course, the English press blamed the whole uprising on Hitler. But it is difficult for them to explain why the Iraqi people again revolted against England (this time successfully) in 1958, thirteen years after Hitler was dead. Nonetheless, the self-serving myth of "Arab Nazism" is kept alive, mostly to prey on the fears of the Jewish people.

"RUSSIAN COLONIES?"

Then there is the other lie: that the Arab states are just "Russian colonies." Even some radicals have fallen for this fraud. Now, Egypt, Syria, Iraq, and a number of other Arab states get aid from the Soviet Union, which is a workers' state. But suppose, just for the sake of argument, that it was just another capitalist country. Would that mean the Arabs shouldn't take any aid they could get for their liberation struggle? Ho Chi Minh got aid from the OSS, the predecessor to the CIA, during World War II in his fight against the Japanese imperialist invaders of Vietnam. Does anyone seriously contend that this caused Ho to be an agent of the U.S. foreign intelligence, or that Vietnam is a colony of Wall Street imperialism? The Soviet Union itself took some arms from the U.S. during World War II. Did this make the Soviet Union a satellite of the Western allies? Nonsense.

Oppressed nations have a right to fight for their liberation at any time they choose and with any weapons they can get their hands on. And all the distortion and abuse the imperialists heap on these freedom struggles will never prevent all the oppressed nations from eventually breaking their chains.

people, but a deathtrap created in the interests of the U.S. oil monopolies. The only solution, they said, is to restore the Palestinians their homeland and create a state based on the equality of Jews and Arabs and independent of U.S. imperialism. In spite of the anti-Arab hysteria fostered by the news media, a strong defense guard and tight organization allowed the protesters to make their political point without any incidents.

BROOKLYN, N.Y., Oct. 21—A rally in the Arab community drew 800 people here today. It was sponsored by the Solidarity Committee to Support Arab Liberation

down by SAM missiles, 840 Pentagon-supplied tanks destroyed by the devastatingly accurate Soviet-made Sagger and Snapper anti-tank missiles, plus some unexpected losses to the Israeli Navy.

In the battles that have seasawed back across the Golan Heights and the east and west banks of the Suez Canal, the Arab states, too, have taken heavy losses, including a large number of civilians killed and wounded in Israeli air raids. Damascus was savagely bombed by Israeli jets in the first days of the war, and on the nights of October 9 and 10 at Egypt's Port Said 347 Israeli aircraft pounded the city for 30 hours.

The U.S. rushed \$2.5 billion in military hardware to Israel after the Egyptian Army had broken through the supposedly impregnable Bar-Lev line in the Sinai. But the already existing cracks in the NATO alliance began to widen into a virtual chasm as the other imperialist states resisted being dragged by the U.S. into hostilities against the Arabs.

U.S., Israel fight giants, not for U.

By P. MEISNER

One important factor in the prosecution of past U.S.-Israeli wars of aggression against the Arab peoples was the substantial amount of support (vocal or tacit) the U.S. ruling class was able to generate from the American people for the Israeli side. Certainly, this was largely true during the June War of 1967, when although a mass movement existed throughout the U.S. against the war in Vietnam, it was divided and largely silent on the war in the Mideast.

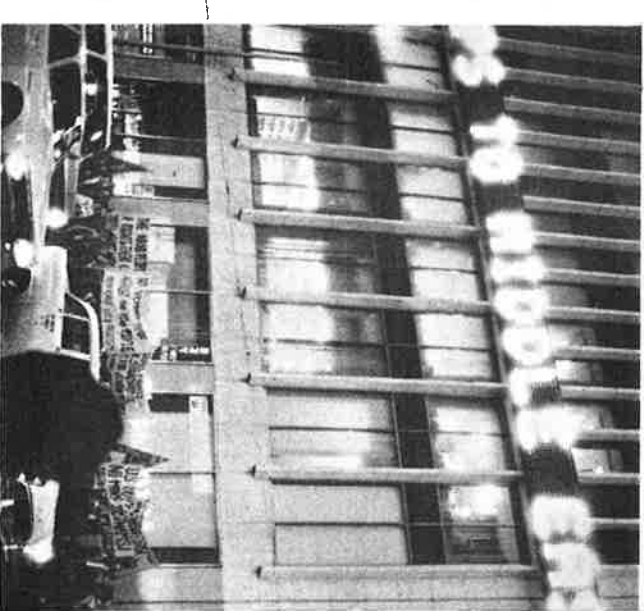
Of course, the anti-Vietnam war movement was colored by the fact that a split existed within the U.S. ruling class on how to salvage their imperialist interests in that losing war against a heroic and colonized people. Many of the leaders of the mass movement tailored their program to win the support of ruling class elements—and they refused to consider broadening the

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In New York City, Youth Against War & Fascism and the Palestinian liberation struggle as the world watches

Movements, a new coalition made up of the Committee to Support Arab Liberation Movements, which is predominantly Arab, along with Youth Against War & Fascism, the Black Panther Party, the American Ser-vicemen's Union, the Young Workers' Liberation League, and some others. The participants responded enthusiastically to the speakers with chants of "Arab oil, Arab land, for the Arab people!" and "U.S. out of the Middle East, Palestine will win!" All the people present, mostly Arab, also responded to the PSP speaker with "Free Puerto Rico, right now!"

WILL two do headquar

Nationwide protests

NEW YORK, N.Y., Oct. 24—Over two hundred picketers—Palestinian, Arab, Afro-American, Latin, and Jewish, among others—marched in Times Square here today, chanting "U.S. out of the Middle East, no arms for Israel," "U.S. banks Standard Oil, have no place on Arab soil!" and "Jewish people, yes, Israeli aggression, no!"

The demonstration attracted the attention of tens of thousands of people on

ARAB GENERAL STRIKE

Israel made some major military gains by breaking the October 22 "ceasefire" and unleashing a surprise attack that encircled the Egyptian Third Army.

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struggle to one opposing all imperialist wars.

Most people in the U.S. have been confused and deceived about Washington's policy in the Mideast, and specifically its policy towards Israel. But in the present war the role of U.S. imperialism is being exposed more than ever before—that is, this war and all previous Mideast wars have really been fought to preserve Wall Street's oil empire in the Middle East!

Fascism and friends demonstrate solidarity with world watches news of the war. WW photo: Dick

Thirty-one people attended the demonstration. Largely because of the strength and organization of the demonstration, there were no altercations.

and to the general economic inflationary crisis gripping U.S. capitalist society and hitting American workers the hardest. Of course, the bosses want the American people to identify with the oil companies and believe that the only way to get gasoline and heating oil is to subjugate the Arab countries.

But in fact, the "energy crisis" is not caused by an immediate shortage of energy sources but is a crisis for Wall Street, which is losing its monopoly control (i.e., monopoly superprofits) over worldwide fuel resources, and especially those of Mideast oil.

As evidence of this, all the major U.S. oil monopolies have already been indicted by several U.S. state prosecutors for conspiracy to deliberately withhold gasoline supplies in order to increase prices.

Thus, it is within the context of this current economic crisis (and to a certain extent the Watergate crisis) that the basis for a mass movement against U.S. intervention in the Mideast exists. The lessons of the war against the Vietnamese people are being learned over again, but this time more quickly. Masses of people throughout the U.S., including many returning GIs from Vietnam, see that a U.S. war in the Mideast is a war for U.S. big business, not a war in their interest. There is bound to be a rude awakening, too, for those who still believe that Nixon and the ruling class are motivated by "humanitarian" desires to "save the Israeli people from destruction."

(The U.S. ruling class was something less than humanitarian after World War II when it closed its doors to more than a million Jewish refugees in Europe, most of whom asked to come to the U.S.)

But a movement against the U.S.-Israeli war in the Mideast must be vigilant. It cannot tolerate the inclusion of reactionary and bourgeois opponents of the Mideast war who seek to utilize anti-Semitism in finding a scapegoat for the ills of U.S. capitalism (e.g., the "energy crisis"). Such spokesmen have already surfaced in the likes of Senator Fulbright, who stated, October 7, on CBS's "Face the Nation":

Fascism here tonight to participate in a YAWF forum on the Middle East. The guest speaker was Joel Meyers, who stressed that the Middle East cannot be understood except as a component of a broader struggle, the global class war.

The forum brought out the fact that the Arab struggle in the Middle East is aimed at freeing that area from the grip of the U.S.-based oil monopolies. It was also pointed out that Israel was created by the imperialists to maneuver the Jewish survivors of the Nazi holocaust into becoming a wedge against the seething rebellion developing in the area.

By NAOMI COHEN

The word "detente" has been explained in many different ways recently. It has been used to describe the normalization of relations with the U.S. desired by both the Soviet Union and China. It has also been said to refer to increased trade between these countries. But at the height of the Mideast war last week, the oppressed and working people of the world got an unambiguous view of what "detente" really means.

Its true implications were revealed when the leaders of both the USSR and China chose to attack Israeli aggression without at the same time exposing Israel's U.S. masters as the real culprits in the Middle East. In failing to do so, both socialist countries showed that for them detente means an attempt at political accommodation with U.S. imperialism.

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“... the Israelis control the (foreign) policy in the Congress and the Senate.”

This demagogic statement serves a dual purpose. First, it deliberately misleads the public on the true role of U.S. imperialism in the Middle East and its client state, Israel. Second, it diverts genuine anti-war sentiment away from an anti-imperialist focus to Hitlerite "Jewish conspiracy" propaganda—a racist play long used by anti-semites.

Progressives and revolutionaries must now forge a genuine anti-war movement

ONEONTA, N. Y., Oct. 23—The Socialist Union and Third World Caucuses sponsored a forum tonight attended by almost 100 people at the State College here.

Most of those attending had been skeptical and pro-Israel and had apparently come to raise hostile and derisive opposition, but soon they were forced to ponder the questions more deeply. Many were visibly shaken by facts they had not been familiar with and by the anti-imperialist line they heard. One Jewish student explained, "I expected a Hitler."

Leading the forum was a panel of three speakers, one Palestinian student, one

October 29 reported that Egypt's President Sadat "had accepted the ceasefire because he suddenly found Egypt was at war not with Israel but with the United States." When you add to this the fact that the Israeli state during its entire history has served as a garrison for the U.S. oil monopolies, to denounce Israeli aggression alone is to completely confuse the real relationship of forces in the Mideast struggle.

One example of this dangerous confusion was reflected in an editorial October 18 in the *Daily World*, organ of the U.S. Communist Party, which characterized The *New York Times* as the "chief mouthpiece for the Golda Meir-Moshe Dayan government and for Zionist militarism." This is putting the cart before the horse! It would be one hundred times more accurate to call Meir and Dayan the mouthpieces for The *New York Times* and the ruling class it represents than to put it the other way around. The *Daily World* certainly understands who the *Times* represents and

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This demagogic statement serves a dual purpose. First, it deliberately misleads the public on the true role of U.S. imperialism in the Middle East and its client state, Israel. Second, it diverts genuine anti-war sentiment away from an anti-imperialist focus to Hitlerite "Jewish conspiracy" propaganda—a racist play long used by anti-semites.

Progressives and revolutionaries must now forge a genuine anti-war movement

ONEONTA, N. Y., Oct. 23—The Socialist Union and Third World Caucuses sponsored a forum tonight attended by almost 100 people at the State College here.

Most of those attending had been skeptical and pro-Israel and had apparently come to raise hostile and derisive opposition, but soon they were forced to ponder the questions more deeply. Many were visibly shaken by facts they had not been familiar with and by the anti-imperialist line they heard. One Jewish student explained, "I expected a Hitler."

Leading the forum was a panel of three speakers, one Palestinian student, one

Parents fight racist suspension of Fuentes

By J. STEVENS

NEW YORK, Oct. 27—In another attack against parents and school children of New York's District 1, an illegally elected, racist school board has attempted to suspend from office the Puerto Rican District Superintendent, Luis Fuentes, and to eliminate parent control of criteria for the hiring of school personnel.

That Mr. Fuentes remains the administrative head of the district's 20 schools is the result of a determined parent-led boycott that kept the schools almost empty for several days.

TEACHERS' UNION AGAIN ATTACKS OPPRESSED COMMUNITY

The present school board was elected May 1 following a vicious campaign in which candidates financed by Albert Shanker, President of the United Federation of Teachers (UFT), attacked Mr. Fuentes as a "racist" and as "incompetent." The UFT charge that Fuentes is anti-Semitic has been found unsustainable by both the State Commissioner of Education and a special officer appointed by the New York City Board of Education.

Fuentes' real "crime," in the eyes of the UFT, is his expansion of bilingual education, parent involvement, and his steadfast refusal to compromise educational standards to the interests of the Board of Education bureaucracy.

The spring election, in which six anti-Fuentes and three pro-community control candidates were elected to office, is currently the subject of a federal lawsuit. Parents of District 1, represented by the NAACP and the Committee for Democratic Election Laws, are charging in their lawsuit that irregularities and intimidation took place at the polls on the day of the election.

TRY TO SUSPEND FUENTES

At the October 16 school board meeting, the six-member anti-community control majority executed a plan prepared in consultation with their UFT mentors. With no advance notice, nor mention of it on their printed agenda, they announced Fuentes' suspension.

The community's outrage at hearing this was met with arrests of four Fuentes supporters, while the racist board members were allowed to leave the auditorium under police escort.

Mrs. Miriam Gonzalez, chairwoman of the president's council of the Parents Association of District 1, announced that a meeting to carry the struggle into the streets and the schools would take place the following day.

At that meeting, 800 people resolved to spread the news of a boycott to the parents of the district, 95 percent of whom are Puerto Rican, Black, or Chinese. Sound-trucks and leaflets were dispersed

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at least for the present, incapable of commanding the respect of the masses, the effort to replace him is bound to take on momentum. But to get him out at this particular moment in history, his ruling class opponents need the support of a large mass movement of a progressive character. Otherwise they would be taking a very grave and dangerous risk with respect to the stability of their class rule.

But the workers are an independent class formation. Their interests are fundamentally opposed to the interests of the property-owning ruling class, which exploits and oppresses them. This exploitation and oppression is carried out with the greatest

ruthlessness, particularly against the oppressed peoples.

Now, unlike the period of the 1960s, there is an opportunity for a genuine alliance of the workers and the oppressed, based on an identity of class interests, in the struggle against the Nixon administration.

Nixon and the ruling class must be the target of the impeachment movement.

NO "SINGLE ISSUE"

The greatest disservice to the cause of reawakening the class consciousness of the American working class was done by those antiwar movement leaders who tried, and succeeded, in separating the antiwar issue from the class issue. They restricted the movement so that it would not include a struggle against virulent racism. They refused to characterize the war as imperialist. And finally, at no time would they

Black youths battle cops at concert in D.C.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 15—Police attacked a crowd of young Black people at a concert here today and escalated the battle to cover a ten-block area when people righteously resisted their club-happy terrorism.

A jubilant crowd had gathered at the D.C. Coliseum, including a group of men and women without tickets. The concert was sold out, guaranteeing the promoter maximum profits, and many people apparently hoped they would be let in free—as has happened occasionally in the past. The cops apparently decided that the festive mood of the crowd was a "disturbance" and began swinging clubs and throwing tear gas—both outside and inside the Coliseum.

When the people began to fight back, the cops spread them all over the area, clubbing, arresting, and intimidating anyone they saw. One activist from the D.C. Statehood party saw 20 motorcycle cops run down two young people who had been on the sidewalk waiting for a bus.



These children recognize UFT president Shanker's real role in attacking their schools.

throughout the community. Community organizations alerted their staffs to accommodate boycotting schoolchildren, and Luis Fuentes resolved to stay at his post.

PARENTS' BOYCOTT OVERWHELMING

On Thursday, October 18, the results of the organizing could be seen in a two-thirds drop in school attendance. Fuentes still occupied the district office located in Junior High School 71.

The second day of the boycott demonstrated the parents' increasing strength. Pickets in front of the schools, an over-

whelming student participation in the boycott, and Fuentes' steadfast stand brought a temporary resolution in the courts. A federal district judge ruled that Fuentes cannot be removed from office by the school board until the validity of the May 1 election has been decided.

The parents recognize that this legal victory is only a response to their overwhelming support for Fuentes, who is now seen not only as a school official, but as a symbol of years of struggle by the community to control and improve their schools and the lives of their children.

But in the meantime, the CIA can carry out a bloody fascist coup in Chile, can subvert any number of small, emerging independent Asian, African, and Latin American nations, and can try to extinguish the national liberation movements!

While all this goes on, the Pentagon continues to pile up new and more deadly weapons systems whose costs are as astronomical as they are wasteful. The lifeblood of the working masses is being continually drained into this destructive channel.

The Soviet end of the bargain is to get a pitance of technological and industrial know-how, which has been exaggerated in this country beyond any and all recognition. Tall promises in the form of executory contracts, to be fulfilled at some future date, between the U.S. and the Soviet Union have been made, signed, sealed, and delivered. But it's the music of the distant future, and hedged by a hundred and one contingencies that make delay in performance the rule rather than the exception. The virulent anti-Soviet campaign surrounding the wheat deal is an example of the temper of the ruling class, if not of its orientation as a whole toward the detente.

The Jackson amendment (which would retain the discriminatory ban on Soviet trade) is an even clearer sign of what the ruling class interpretation of the detente means.

As proletarian internationalists we have never favored the so-called detente. All progressives are duty bound, however, to support normalization of trade and diplomatic relations. But the detente that the U.S. has worked out with the leaders of the USSR, (and in another form with the leaders of the People's Republic of China) is in reality a political barter deal. It trades off a surrender of revolutionary initiative on the fronts of proletarian class solidarity and aid to the liberation movements and to socialist countries—for ephemeral, speculative, and narrow nationalistic gains, in the fond hope of gaining industrial or technological aid and a possible temporary reprieve from imperialist aggression.

Nixon's latest adventure should be a sober reminder that the Leninist concept of imperialism, with its congenital propensity towards imperialist war, is still valid in all respects.

permit even so much as a whisper against U.S. aggression in the Middle East.

In this way the antiwar movement, which began with such vigor, was ultimately reduced to mere bourgeois liberal pacifist talk, and lent itself in the final analysis to becoming nothing more than an arm of the McGovern campaign.

It is no wonder that at the outbreak of the Middle East war there was not even a whisper from these so-called antiwar leaders against this latest and most brazen aggression, an aggression with a far greater potential for igniting a nuclear confrontation than previous ones in the Far East.

As the enormity of Nixon's Mideast adventure becomes clearer, the easier will it be to firmly weld a progressive, working class, and antiwar program to the impeachment movement.

WHAT IMPERIALISTS WANT FROM THE DETENTE

The latest war crisis proves once more (if proof is necessary) that the so-called detente or accommodation is basically illusory. It may last for a period of time, but it rests on fragile grounds.

The imperialist interpretation of the detente is that it is an agreement based on cooperation between the U.S. and the USSR. The proof of the Soviet leaders' cooperation, say the imperialists, must be given concretely in their stifling of the class struggle and in their constricting the advance of the national liberation movements.

The most consistent and subtle organ of the financial oligarchy and the oil monopolies, The New York Times, spelled this out in its editorial today (October 28) on "After the Confrontation." The detente to them means that the Soviet leaders must (1) "restrain" the Arabs (by which they mean the Arab liberation struggles) and (2) cease and desist from providing Egypt and Syria with a "massive munitions resupply"—when the U.S. has kept Israel armed to the teeth! In effect, they are demanding that the Soviet Union completely abandon its commitment to Egypt and Syria.

That's what they mean by peace. In that way, they say, an equilibrium can be maintained between the USSR and the U.S.