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Defend the Nicaraguan Revolution!

Smash Yankee Invasion Threat!

How long before the big birds go wheels up and the American bombardiers start cranking in the coordinates for Corinto? Ronald Reagan has put the U.S. imperialist war machine on standby for an invasion of Nicaragua. While the ruling Dr. Strangeloves have been planning this invasion for months, readying U.S. troops in Fort Honduras, the fake-left Central American solidarity movement shelved all protests to blitz for Fritz "Quarantine Nicaragua" Mondale. Some "solidarity" movement! A quarantine is the first step toward invasion!

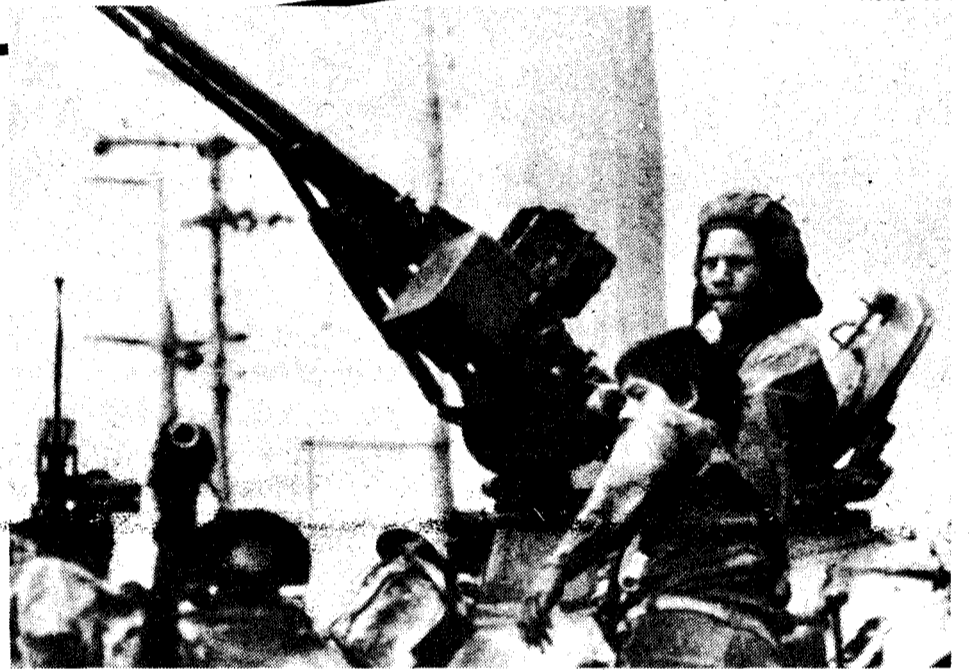
The Spartacus Youth League doesn't duck the hard class questions. While the pro-Democratic Party rad-libs were so afraid of being "soft on communism" that they couldn't stomach a call to defend Nicaragua, the SYL held rallies at Harvard and SF State to raise funds for the military defense of Nicaragua. Central America is caught in the cross hairs of the *hipartisan* anti-Soviet war drive. In their crusade to roll back communism, the U.S. has a new domino theory: yesterday Grenada, today Nicaragua, then tomorrow on to the big one, the Soviet Union. We say: *U.S. Get Your Bloody Hands Off the World! Defense of Cuba, USSR Begins in Central America!*

Nicaragua desperately needs arms to counter the U.S.-provided arsenal of the "contras" and Honduras, to say nothing of a potential U.S. invasion force. We hail the Soviet Union's shipment of MI-24 helicopters and other military equipment, but that is not enough. The Nicaraguans need MIGs to match the air forces of the contras' Central American allies. And they need hand-held SAM-7 anti-aircraft rockets and sophisticated mobile SAM-8s to knock

down an airborne U.S. invasion force. It is the internationalist obligation of the Soviet Union to supply and resupply these weapons to Nicaragua, which it has been reluctant to do.

Immediately after the American elections, the White House began a lying press panic ("The MIGs are coming!"), while the Pentagon launched four exercises in Honduras. A major naval exercise, COMPUTEX 1-85, involving the battleship *Iowa* and two dozen other U.S. warships, was being held in the Caribbean "in striking distance of Nicaragua" (*New York Times*, 9 November). Maneuvers code named "Quick Thrust" and involving precisely those infantry and paratroop units that would be involved in an invasion of Central America were scheduled to begin in late November. And somewhere in the Pacific an exercise code named FLEETEX involving five American carrier battle groups is under way with a blackout by the U.S. media. Pentagon officials accused the Nicaraguans of being "paranoid," but as the November 9 *New York Times* reported, these "games" can become serious quickly: "... warships at sea are always prepared to suspend training exercises to undertake a 'no notice' contingency operation."

Secretary of State Shultz says that the flap over the MIGs "strategically" involves the USSR, and talks of "punishing the Russians elsewhere." Meanwhile, War Secretary Weinberger talks of reversing the Kennedy administration's 1962 agreement not to take military action against Cuba. (It was in 1962 that nuclear terrorist Kennedy brought the world to the brink of destruction over Cuba's right to self-defense against Yankee imperialism.)



Top left: Nicaraguan women to Reagan: "Don't try it!" Above: Youth with Soviet tank in Managua. Defend, complete, extend the Nicaraguan revolution!

On November 30, when a U.S. Navy-contracted spy ship broke down in the Caribbean and drifted to eight miles off Cuba, the nuclear-powered 90,000-ton aircraft carrier *Nimitz* and the nuclear-powered cruiser *Arkansas* were instantly dispatched toward Cuba. The *Nimitz*, docked at St. Thomas, left so suddenly that over 1,000 of its crew were stranded ashore! Even Navy spokesmen admitted that this military provocation was a "political overreaction that amounted to little more than shaking a stick at Cuba" (*New York Times*, 5 December).

The Nicaraguans are preparing a "welcome" for U.S. troops which raises the question: once the U.S. gets in, how does it get out? If 700 Cuban construction workers could hold off a U.S. invading force of over 7,000 ground troops for a week on the tiny island of Grenada, the determined opposition of the armed Nicaraguan people could break the Yankee imperialist juggernaut whose soft underbelly is the lack of masses of troops ready or willing to fight to the death overseas against "communism." In fact, over a quarter of the U.S. Army today is made up of black and Latin minorities, who are not eager to die for the greater glory of El Salvador-style death squad "democracy." In purely military terms it's possible for U.S. imperialism to seal off Nicaragua and take it, although it would probably

require all the shock troops at the Pentagon's disposal. *And it would be bloody hell.* Are the Americans prepared to take the 25,000 casualties which it is conservatively estimated the operation would cost? If in their imperialist arrogance the Yankees do invade, they must be made to *pay*—in their Central American "back yard" and here at home.

The Nicaraguan Sandinistas are groping for a "no man's land" between social revolution or bloody counterrevolution. To date the Sandinista land reform has not gone beyond the 20 percent of the agricultural land formerly held by Somoza and his pals as well as the few landowners who have fled the country. In the cities, most industry is still in private hands. As a result of contra terror and imperialist boycott, shortages are everywhere, and inflation has cut the workers' standard of living drastically. This has been compounded by the Sandinista-imposed five-year wage freeze.

The Sandinista platform seeks to defend the anti-Somoza revolution by freezing the present totally *contradictory* social conditions. Today, international student volunteers are picking coffee, protected by militiamen armed with Soviet AK-47 assault rifles, for private landowners who finance contra terrorists with their profits, so that the

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Juvenal Martinez to UCLA: You Are the Criminals!

Below Young Spartacus prints the statement delivered by comrade Juvenal Martinez to UCLA's star chamber "hearing" on November 1. A student militant and SYL member, Martinez was hauled up on charges of "disruption" for his participation in the protest and heckling last March against El Salvador's "Ambassador of Death" to the U.S., Ernesto Rivas-Gallont. Refusing to legitimize UCLA's witchhunting of student protesters, Martinez simply delivered his statement and walked out of the hearing along with his comrades and supporters.

As the U.S. prepares for direct imperialist intervention in Central America, university administrations across the country are reactivating draconian regulations aimed at suppressing all student dissent. Recognizing that UCLA's attack on the SYL and Martinez is an attack on all those who wish to protest Yankee aggression, students, including members of UCLA CISPES, MEChA and USOCA, took stacks of leaflets to distribute on behalf of Martinez' defense. Among those who attended the hearing for Martinez was a representative of the La Raza law students who submitted his own statement. As we go to press, UCLA has not stated what action it will take against our comrade. Hearing officer John S. Wiley has, however, issued an eleven-page "Preliminary Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and Request for Further Briefing" in which he raises questions concerning the constitutionality of the regulations applied in the Martinez case.

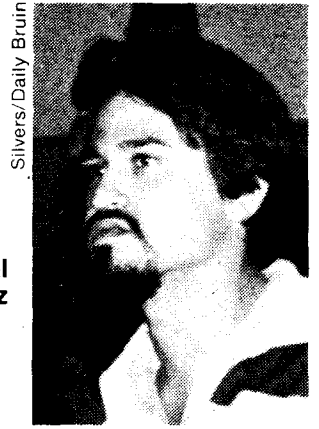
Last March El Salvador's ambassador of death, Rivas-Gallont, attempted to speak here at the UCLA campus. He was met by militant student protest initiated by the Spartacus Youth League. Over 75 angry protesters shouted down this butcher whose hands drip with the blood of 50,000 workers and peasants. I played an active role in organizing and carrying out this demonstration against death squad terror. And I am proud of my actions and my organization, the Spartacus Youth League. So four members of the SYL, includ-

ing myself—each of us picked out in advance by the administration thought-cop Berky Nelson—were singled out and were seized one by one. We were arrested, dragged from the hall, handcuffed, interrogated and thrown in jail. I've been a student on this campus for eight years now, and I am a graduate student in the Latin American Studies department. But I grew up in the East LA barrios, where Chicanos are subjected to daily harassment by the LAPD and sheriff's cops. So likewise that day I was arrested I had to suffer the racist humiliation of being the only one handcuffed to a chair while being interrogated.

I was charged with disturbing the

ca, students won't sit by quietly to be drafted as cannon fodder in this obscene colonial war. There will be protests! And the administration is trying to intimidate me and any other potential protesters on this campus into silence. They won't succeed! Every time a Kirkpatrick or a Weinberger or a Rivas-Gallont is driven off campus, a symbolic but real blow is struck against U.S. imperialism.

So it is the administration that should be on trial here today. I charge the UCLA administration with racist acts, disrupting the university, harboring war criminals and violating the basic democratic rights of students on this campus. They are the criminals!



Juvenal Martinez
Sillers/Daily Bruin

speech" exists only for those who occupy the "Doomsday Floor" in Bunche Hall where the likes of Professor "Batista" Gonzalez hang out—a death squad strategist who occupies his time plotting ways to overthrow the Cuban government.

I demand the charges against me be dropped! I demand the witchhunt against the SYL be stopped! I demand that the Student Conduct Committee be abolished! And I demand an end to all the administration's repressive rules and procedures!

The demonstration initiated by the Spartacus Youth League last March against Rivas-Gallont was the most educational event on campus since the antiwar protests of the 1960s.

And the SYL has taken a clear side, that of the workers and peasants in Central America, and that of all the countries which have had socialist revolutions, from the Soviet Union to Cuba, which we defend against imperialist aggression.

The administration has also taken a side, that of the murderers and terrorists from Rivas-Gallont and the CIA-backed contras to the bipartisan anti-Soviet war drive taking place in this country. And that's why they think they can get away with running out the communists who stand up and defend the USSR against imperialism. But they're targeting more than just the SYL here on campus. That is the main issue. They want a campus where all of us who defend the rights of workers and the oppressed are muzzled.

And a lot of people on campus know that in helping to defend me against this witchhunt, and in helping to defend the SYL, they are defending their own right to protest. So as long as war criminals and mass murderers are brought onto this campus, there will be protests. And we are not going to be stopped or intimidated by this administration harassment. We will not be witchhunted into silence.

That's all I have to say.

Keep the Butchers on the Run!

Ambassador of Death, Rivas-Gallont (below). Victims of Salvadoran junta terror (right).

Young Spartacus Photo



Harry Mattison

peace and forced to pay an outrageous fine. Now the administration threatens to expel me from school. This is an outrage!

Now I've been singled out for this treatment because the SYL has been in the forefront of militant student protest against war criminals on the campuses throughout the country. The administration knows that if the United States invades Central Ameri-

ca, students won't sit by quietly to be drafted as cannon fodder in this obscene colonial war. There will be protests! And the administration is trying to intimidate me and any other potential protesters on this campus into silence. They won't succeed!

So when the administration talks about free speech what they mean is don't protest their plans to make UCLA a haven for mass murderers.

Rivas-Gallont is an ambassador of death squad terror. For UCLA, "free

imperialism. This is the Trotskyist program of permanent revolution.

Anti-Imperialism Abroad Means Class Struggle at Home!

Nicaraguan students and youth have been pulled from the coffee harvest to the military defense of Managua, their overalls exchanged for uniforms and rifles. This should sound an urgent alarm to American youth that now is the time to strike a blow against U.S. imperialism here in the belly of the beast. Opposition to U.S. intervention in Central America is surfacing on American campuses and some small but significant victories have been won. On October 3, 20 students at Tufts University near Boston broke up a CIA recruiting session. When the University threatened reprisals, 150 people packed the disciplinary hearing, forcing the administration to back down and ban CIA recruiters from campus. A similar reception awaited CIA recruiters in Ann Arbor, Michigan, where they were put on mock trial by 100 students charging the CIA with "crimes against humanity," from mining the Nicaraguan harbors to endangering the lives of the passengers on Korean Air Lines Flight 007. The dumbfounded and tongue-tied assassin-recruiters were then chased out

to their cars amid shouts of "Don't Come Back!" At Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island, approximately 75 students stood up to make a "citizen's arrest" of the CIA during a recruiting session. A cloak-and-dagger Brown administrator circulated a sign-up sheet at the meeting which many students signed, thinking it was a petition against the CIA. The University is now threatening to use this list of names to suspend or expel over 50 students.

The key element missing from these actions is a class perspective. The SYL calls on students to break with the capitalist parties, to mobilize behind the power of the working class building a workers party to fight for a workers government! The struggle to end capitalist exploitation and war can only be won by breaking the power of the bourgeoisie through socialist revolution.

The American working class and oppressed minorities have a direct interest and immediate stake in the victory of the revolutionary upheavals sweeping Central America. The number one enemy of revolution throughout the world is U.S. imperialism—the same government that destroyed the PATCO union, that starves the ghetto poor, and

is driving for nuclear Armageddon against the Soviet Union. The SYL says: *Labor: Hot Cargo All Military Goods to Central America! Military Victory to Salvadoran Leftists! Smash Reagan's Bay of Pigs—Nicaragua Needs MIGs!* ■

Nicaragua...

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FSLN can earn dollars to pay off the debt to New York banks largely inherited from the Somoza dictatorship!

What's needed in Nicaragua is a regime based on workers, peasants and soldiers councils (soviets), which will carry out a socialist revolution. The Nicaraguan bourgeoisie is wedded to their Yankee masters and openly in league with the reactionary contra scum. Against the petty-bourgeois nationalist FSLN which is holding back the masses, a Nicaraguan Trotskyist party must be built to expropriate the bourgeoisie and establish a workers and peasants government by unleashing an agrarian revolution, fighting for workers control of industry and breaking the choke hold of Yankee imperialism on Nicaragua. Simply to defend against imperialist attack, Nicaragua must join with the leftist insurgents in El Salvador, renounce all negotiated sellouts and "Contra" dora treaties, and wage a revolutionary struggle throughout Central America, linking up with the powerful Mexican proletariat and north of the Rio Grande here in the heart of

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Down with the Reactionary Anti-Porn Crusade!

Granddaughters of Carry Nation In Bed with Jerry Falwell

Government Hands Off Sex, Booze, Porn!

MADISON—Formerly a hotbed of campus protest, the University of Wisconsin-Madison's "radical" reputation has given way in large part to smug, "me generation" liberalism. The Democratic Socialists of America (DSA), scabs on the anti-Vietnam War movement, carry a lot of weight in city and county government. With prudery that suits Madison's Protestant environs, "alternative" lifestylism has been institutionalized. You will live a wholesome life. Some manifestations are just plain silly: Madison was declared a "nuclear-free zone" and sandwiches come with beansprouts whether you order them or not. Some are absolutely infuriating: liquor stores close at 9:00 p.m. and you can't buy cigarettes anywhere on the huge UW campus.

The latest target for moral uplift of the community is pornography—Penthouse and Playboy have been pulled from the Student Union newsstand on the dubious grounds of "low circulation." DSAer Kathleen Nichols, a Dane County supervisor, is proposing legislation modeled on Andrea Dworkin's Minneapolis ordinance to make pornography a civil rights violation. Material in which "people" are "reduced to body parts," "presented in postures of sexual submission" or "presented as whores by nature" would be outlawed (Badger-Herald, 8 November). Under this law, you can't consent to buy, sell, photograph or pose for pornographic pictures. As the Badger-Herald commented, "Groups normally in solidarity, such as pseudo-feminists and homosexuals, are at odds. Groups normally in opposition, such as pseudo-feminists and the local fundamentalist ministers, support the ordinance." Talk about obscene!

We print below a slightly edited version of the Spartacus Youth League statement submitted to the Madison Isthmus and UW Daily Cardinal. It appeared in a shortened version in the Isthmus (16 November) while the Cardinal has refused to publish it.

Contrary to prevailing liberal opinion, Madison is part of Reagan's USA, albeit with a twist. Witness the New Right's drive to "clean up America." It's going strong in Madison. There's legislation to ban dirty pictures. On October 19, demonstrators picketed at a State Street porno store; someone stenciled "Burn Me Down" on the wall—and they mean it. Rampaging fundamentalists? Nope. This particular anti-sex crusade is led by Madison's "alternative" to the Army of God—the "radical" feminists.

Finding Robin Morgan in bed with Jerry Falwell may surprise some who thought feminism had something to do with women's liberation. After all, the '60s feminists posed as right-on revolutionaries. They rejected "male-defined" sex roles, denounced "family values" as scams to keep women isolated, dependent, condemned to domestic servitude. They worried about racism and poor people. But the feminists never opposed the oppressive capitalist system itself: their "program" consists of escapist

lifestylism, "consciousness raising," "womyn's" vegetarian co-ops. That's why the feminist "movement" didn't move. It remained confined to rarefied microcosms like Madison, lily-white and middle-class.

What's left of the "movement" no longer even worries about real human oppression. While the feminists are busy trying to stamp out fishnet stockings and high heels, genuine assaults on women's rights go unanswered. Legalized abortion is seriously threatened; abortion clinics get firebombed, their patients harassed, but you don't hear a peep from the feminists. Then there's the case of Patricia Ridge—a single, black, working mother. Last year her five-year-old son was shot pointblank in her bedroom in a Los Angeles-area housing project by a white cop. The cop got off, but a grand jury tried to charge her with everything from child neglect to Murder Two. The Marxist Spartacist League came to her defense. But the organized feminists did nothing. For them, "women's oppression" equals nude photos: they're blind to real class and race oppression facing working-class and black women.

This "Take Back the Night" crusade is a slice of middle America at its worst—about as progressive as forbidding sex education. It dovetails with the current incitement of every backward, sexist, racist, jingoistic prejudice of American society in preparation for war against the USSR. The Democrats and Repub-

Janie Eisenberg



Vicious and obscene: right-wing counterpart to the anti-freedom feminists protests' Times Square bookstore.

licans have been humming "Onward Christian Soldiers" since Cold War II began under born-again Jimmy Carter; with Reagan the crusade has reached new lows. They both want a "prepared" society with social relations straight out of "Leave It To Beaver." No "extramarital" sex, no porn, no abortion, no gays.

The feminists even share Cold War/Moral Majority terminology (e.g., "Porn is the new terrorism"). And there's a certain ideological congruence. The feminists basically buy the Moral Majority's "me Tarzan, you Jane" view of human sexuality: women are gentle nurturers, children are "innocent" and asexual, while men are sexual aggressors. That's what "Pornography is the theory, rape is the practice" boils down to: men are barely controlled rapists—all it takes is a little leg to set 'em off. In that case, why stop with censoring *Penthouse*? According to Annie Laurie Gaylor, editor of the *Feminist Connection*, Rubens and Titian can go too: they painted women ravished by swans! (Perhaps when Gaylor leaves the *Connection*, she can get a job at the Elvehjem Museum chiseling the genitals

off classical statues.)

Then there's the touchy question of First Amendment rights. With the exception of the rabid crackpot Andrea Dworkin, most feminists try to squeak past it by making a snooty differentiation between pornography and "erotica." It works like this. "Erotica" is printed on expensive paper with "tasteful" hand-drawn illustrations; "pornography" goes for \$2.50, with tacky overexposed photos. As the saying goes, "perversion" is what you aren't into.

As Marxists, the Spartacist League and Spartacus Youth League oppose all attempts at puritanical censorship, whether launched by outright reactionaries or feminist ayatollahs. You can't legislate sexuality. We defend the right of consenting individuals in any combination of age, race, sex, in any number, to engage in the sexual activity of their choice—or look at the photos of their choice—without state intervention.

Pornography is not violence: it's fantasy. Rape is a form of violent criminal assault. Among other things, we advocate the repeal of gun control laws: women should have the right to carry arms and use them in self-defense. To argue that "porn is rape" or, like Robin Morgan, that any sex not initiated by a woman is rape, is—aside from being pretty damned presumptuous—to trivialize and confuse the issue. Capitalist society—its forced poverty, rigid family structure, hypocritical straitjacket morality—breeds the poisonous frustrations that explode in violence. The liberation of women requires getting rid of the repressive constraints imposed on women by the nuclear family, thus creating the possibility of new relationships based on social equality—free from compulsion and stultifying "moral" restrictions. In short, women's liberation requires socialist revolution.

While the feminist anti-porn crusaders rely on candlelight vigils, their Reaganite allies have access to systematic state repression and vigilante terror. And Reagan has launched a full-scale attack on democratic rights. Political opposition becomes "terrorism." Cop/media hysteria about child abuse at daycare centers carries the message that the only safe place for kids is locked up at home with a non-working mom. If your sexual preference doesn't suit Jerry Falwell, you could be locked up for life.

That's no idle threat. The campaign for "decency" has been viciously anti-gay from the start. Vanessa Williams lost her crown not least because those photos were of lesbian sex. Boston-area photographer George Jacobs got 20 years for the "crime" of having consensual sex with his 14-year-old roommate. Jacobs was tested to determine if he was a "sexually dangerous person" and could have been put away in a mental hospital permanently. The cops and press went wild over NAMBLA (North American Man-Boy Love Association), an organization for the defense of civil rights of "men and boys involved in consensual sexual and other relationships with each other." NAMBLA members were beaten, framed and sent to psychiatric institutions. And that's nothing compared with the Justice Department's plan to research "behavior modification, chemical treatments, physiological studies of those suspected of psychosexual dysfunction—as evidenced by... their divorces or homosexuality" (*Village Voice*, 7 August)!



Carry Nation: The intemperate 19th century saloon-smashing, hatchet-wielding, "smut"-busting enemy of the people and their pleasures. Ms. Nation disrupted burlesque shows with hymns and speeches; drove her husband to drink.

The reactionary nature of anti-porn legislation masquerading as protection of "civil rights" is spelled out in a new law pending in Suffolk County, New York. The bill is identical to Dworkin's Minneapolis anti-porn law, minus feminist verbiage. It's sponsored by groups like the National Federation for Decency (an actual organization!) explicitly to "wipe out sodomy" and, according to one supporter, "pornography [that] could cause social decay leading to a possible communist takeover!"

It's not like the feminists can't smell this anti-gay stench; far from it. Kathleen Nichols, lesbian activist member of the "Democratic" Socialists of America, is the Dane County supervisor behind the Madison censorship. This bigot told *OUT!* magazine that if the ordinance closes adult bookstores where gay men meet, all the better to stop AIDS because "that kind of anonymous sexual congress has resulted in 5500 cases of AIDS" (*OUT!*, September 1984). For this anti-democratic liberal, male gay sex is a health hazard. This is vile anti-gay bigotry. Do lesbians active in the anti-porn movement believe that once they outlaw everyone else's sexual practices, their own will be protected? They're on mighty thin ice. Check out Khomeini's Iran: no porn there—and they stone homosexuals to death.

Pornography reflects, and only reflects, some human behavior. In this violent, irrational society, those reflections sometimes aren't pretty; but you can't change society by changing its images on a screen. "Positive images" won't materially advance the cause of women's equality any more than those movies with Sidney Poitier as the black neurosurgeon changed the harsh reality of racist oppression. Socialist revolution alone can create the economic basis to replace the nuclear family and liberate women. We don't pretend to know what human relations in socialist society will be like. But we assume that, liberated from the artificial constraints currently imposed on human expression, sexuality under socialism will be more free, more open, more tolerant, more rich and more diverse. May the day come soon.

Carla Norris
for the Spartacus Youth League

FBI Retracts Its "Definition" Slander

The Spartacist League (SPL), founded in 1965 by former members of another Trotskyist-communist organization, advocates the destruction of the capitalist system and the creation of a workers class system and a workers class society. The SPL national headquarters is located in New York City. While the SPL does not openly advocate the violent overthrow of the U.S. Government at this time or violations of other Federal or state laws, the SPL does believe that eventual violent revolution to overthrow the present capitalist system of government in the U.S. is inevitable. The objective of the SPL is to organize a membership to take action to precipitate such a revolution when conditions are ripe and to direct and seize control of the revolution when it occurs.

This is the former FBI definition of the Spartacist League used for 20 years, which used classic witchhunt language, claiming that the SL "does not openly advocate the violent overthrow of the U.S. Government at this time" [emphasis added], falsely attributing to the organization a conspiratorial commitment to the violent overthrow of the U.S. government.

The Spartacist League (SPL), a Marxist political organization, was founded in 1966. The historical and theoretical roots of the SPL derive from the early Communist Party, U.S.A. and the Socialist Workers Party. The immediate precursor of the SPL was the Revolutionary Tendency of the Socialist Workers Party. The SPL has an official youth section named the Spartacus Youth League.

The SPL was once the subject of an FBI domestic security investigation. The investigation was closed in 1977, however, and it did not result in any criminal prosecution.

In settlement of the Spartacist League's lawsuit, the FBI agrees to change its definition of the Spartacist League and Spartacus Youth League to exactly what the SL is—a Marxist political organization. Thereby the FBI concedes the central claim of the SL's lawsuit, that Marxist political principles and advocacy cannot be equated with violence, terrorism or a criminal enterprise.

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youth protesting the Yankee war moves in Central America, or striking workers. We know that the secret police have not changed since Karl Marx was harassed by the secret agents of Prussia. Unable to feed the hungry or provide jobs for the unemployed, sacrificing every vestige of rationality to its insatiable hunger for profit and blood lust for anti-Soviet nuclear war ("We begin bombing in five minutes"), the bourgeoisie cooks up a spectre of the revolutionary movement as a criminal conspiracy. With this big lie oft repeated, they attempt to discredit the Marxists in the eyes of the masses and create a climate of opinion favorable to their witchhunting.

The Spartacist League and Spartacus Youth League are anything but conspiratorial. We are not the ones who publish murder manual comic books instructing "freedom fighters" to sabotage power cables, toilets, and "neutralize" court judges, police and state security officials. We are not the ones who assist the Klan in bombing little black girls in Sunday schools. These conspiratorial, terrorist, cloak-and-dagger schemes are the stock in trade of the state-supported terrorists of the FBI and CIA. As we wrote in *Workers Vanguard* No. 151 (1 April 1977):

"How outrageous that the FBI, which does its dirty work in secret, should label us as not 'openly' planning the 'violent overthrow of the government.' In fact, the capitalist government is not 'overthrown' violently or non-violently. In fact, the historical probability is that in a revolutionary situation there may well be little government to 'overthrow,' and likely not this government in its present form.... Any organization that fits the FBI's conspiratorial definition would have to be a group of suicidal psychopaths."

The Spartacist League has painstakingly published Marxist newspapers, pamphlets and a *Marxist Bulletin* series documenting the 20-year history of our movement. Our writings and our actions—from building picket lines that mean "don't cross" to mass labor/black mobilizations against the fascists—are secret to no one. Some two decades of public work and public writings are the testimony to what our intentions are: to build a mass workers party to fight for a workers government. Yet the bourgeoisie and the bourgeois press—which thus far has chosen not to comment on our FBI settlement—insist that our life's work is really a carefully constructed façade to fool people and obfuscate our supposedly sinister putschist aims. We are reminded of comrade Trotsky's wry testimony before the Dewey Commission against the Stalinist slanders that he was an agent of Hitler and the

Mikado:

"Between the two branches of my activity, the public and the secret, there is observable an extreme disproportion. The public—that is, the 'hypocritical'—activity, which served only as 'camouflage,' surpassed my secret—that is, the 'genuine'—activity almost a thousand times in quantity and, I venture to assert, equally in quality. One gets the impression that I built a skyscraper to 'camouflage' a dead rat. No, it is not convincing!"

—*The Case of Leon Trotsky*, 1937

As a Marxist working-class organization, our success is entirely dependent on the most open and widest dissemination of our views. This fact has even on occasion been recognized by the bourgeoisie. In a 1972 address at Harvard, former UN ambassador and current U.S. Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan favorably compared the SYL to other leftists in attendance because "they sail under their own colors." Moynihan quoted from a statement proclaiming our aims:

"...to develop young radicals into lifetime communist militants, and to build a socialist youth organization which can intervene in all social struggles with a revolutionary program based on the politics of Marx, Lenin and Trotsky."

Moynihan concluded, "It is doubtless perverse to do so, but I happen to find that an honorable statement of purpose" (*Commentary*, December 1972).

SL's Record Against New McCarthyism

Reagan and the Democrats want war with Russia, and that requires a war at home against all opposition. Every witchhunt has its own particular dimension, and today Cold War II needs a new kind of McCarthyism—one which incorporates the direct-hit military methods of the infamous COINTELPRO ("Counter-Intelligence Program") with which the government literally killed the Black Panther Party, along with the ideological criteria of the last Cold War. The Domestic Security/Terrorism Guidelines codify what we have called "McCarthyism with a drawn gun."

In defense of our organizations, our supporters and the existing rights of the entire working-class movement, we have launched and won a number of impressive legal challenges to the Cold War II witchhunt. In June of 1980, a militant unionist and well-known supporter of the Spartacist League, Jane Margolis, received an apology and \$3,500 from the Secret Service for stigmatizing her as a terrorist. In 1979, she had been dragged off the floor of the Communications Workers of America national convention to which she was an elected delegate, handcuffed and detained to prevent her from criticizing then-president Jimmy Carter who spoke at the convention. Soon thereafter, the Spartacist League sued then-attorney general of California George Deukmejian for including the SL in the "Terror-

ism: Left-wing" section of the 1979 Report on Organized Crime. In settlement of that suit, Deukmejian's office issued a correction and sent a statement to law enforcement agencies throughout the country notifying them that the inclusion of the SL in the terrorist list was in error. Most recently, the *Washington Times*—publication of sinister Sun Myung Moon's outfit—falsely accused the SL/SYL of provoking violence against the police at the November 27, 1982 Labor/Black Mobilization initiated by the SL, which stopped the Ku Klux Klan from marching in Washington, D. C. In response to a libel lawsuit prepared by noted attorney Jonathan Lubell and SL general counsel Rachel Wolkenstein, the *Washington Times* retracted its charges. With the successful settlement of our lawsuit against the FBI and Attorney General's Domestic Security/Terrorism Guidelines, we have been able to punch another hole through the false equation of Marxism with "terrorism." Given that a bourgeois government holds state power and especially in light of the right-wing political climate marked by Reagan's re-election, the stipulated agreement we have won is the most we could reasonably expect.

Youth a Target of State Repression

The drive for ideological conformity, to prepare this generation to go off to war, involves state intervention and regimentation in almost every aspect of young people's lives. Youth are a special target—the warmakers don't want more Vietnam-style "troublemakers"; they want good, clean, scared, obedient cannon fodder. Thus, students who protest "Dragon Lady" Jeane Kirkpatrick or Cap "the Knife" Weinberger—the architects of U.S. imperialism's genocidal policies—have been gagged and threatened with suspension or expulsion from their universities. Similar reprisals have been threatened to students who protest recruitment to the murderous CIA on college campuses. You can't even register for school and hope to get financial aid without signing your life away to Uncle Sam. At San Francisco State University the SYL has gone underground in protest against the banning of our Marxist literature. Outside of school, youth are forced into sub-minimum wage jobs as a result of the union-busting the government has waged to finance this anti-Soviet war buildup.

You don't have to read Lenin or defend the USSR to be in the FBI's files. According to the new "morality," the antics of frat boys like John Belushi in *Animal House* are practically enough to make you an "enemy of the state." Fun is deemed "subversive"; it undermines "traditional values" and makes the nation unprepared for war. Youth who are expected to fight and die for

imperialism are considered too young to handle a drink! They're hauled out of cars at police roadblocks, interrogated—or worse. Ask the family of football star Ron Settles, a young black college man who was pulled over for an alleged traffic violation, jailed and "found" dead in his cell in Long Beach, California.

The government has promiscuously stuck its nose in everyone's bedrooms. Big Brother says "Sex is taboo," and the government has made it increasingly difficult for young women to get any form of contraception besides Phyllis Schlafly's unsyncopated rhythm. Meanwhile, the government looks the other way when right-wing fanatics like the "Army of God" bomb abortion clinics coast to coast. FBI Director William Webster says of the abortion bombings, "The objective is social. I don't believe it currently meets our definition [of terrorism]" (*New York Times*, 5 December).

State-supported terrorism, be it in the guise of the Domestic Security/Terrorism Guidelines, government support to the KKK, or COINTELPRO dirty tricks, will not intimidate or silence us. We remember Greensboro, where, with the connivance of government "informants," Klan and Nazi terrorists gunned down five members of the Communist Workers Party who were blacks, unionists and leftists. The surviving victims were blamed for the death of their own while the race-hate terrorist KKK and Nazis went free. The government sought to intimidate the entire black population with this grisly massacre, holding it up as an example of what is in store for folks who step out of line. The November 1982 Labor/Black Mobilization which stopped the Reagan administration-sanctioned Klan march was our answer to Greensboro.

We will continue to fight the new McCarthyism with every legal and political means at our disposal. It is our firm intention, on behalf of the working people in this country, especially but not exclusively the oppressed black population, to come to power. And all those who tried to destroy our party, or encourage persons with weapons (with or without the cover of law) to kill us individually, are very lucky that a socialist society will have the rule of law, and they will (god help them) be defended.

As we announced at the outset of our suit against the FBI:

"We do not intend to be blown away—faceless, nameless victims in the dead of night. As the organization which embodies the continuity of revolutionary Marxism in the U.S. today, our task is too important: the liberation of the workers and oppressed from the chains of this decaying, racist system through victorious socialist revolution!" ■

Victories cost money! Send your contribution to: Partisan Defense Committee, P.O. Box 99, Canal Street Station, New York, NY 10013.

Funds Needed Now for British Miners' Families!

The Miners Fight for All Oppressed!

Adapted from Workers Vanguard
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As Britain heads into a hard winter of class war, the striking British miners remain firm in their battle against Thatcher and the National Coal Board. With the onset of cold weather, coal stocks are dropping while management's attempts to create a back-to-work movement with Christmas bribes for scabs has failed. Thatcher's High Court tries to steal National Union of Mineworkers' funds in Luxembourg and Dublin banks, but striking miners are appealing to trade-union organizations internationally to come to their aid. The Partisan Defense Committee (PDC), which has launched a \$25,000 "Aid to Striking British Miners' Families" fund drive among U.S. trade-union locals, urgently appeals to readers of *Young*

Spartacus to assist in this campaign.

A generous donation has already been received from AFSCME Local 2477 in Washington, D.C. The members of this local of government employees participated in the 27 November 1982 demonstration which stopped the Klan in the streets of Washington, D.C. At a public forum of the Trotskyist League of Canada held November 22, over \$350 was collected after comrade Eibhlin McDonald of the Spartacist League of Britain described what is at stake in the miners' heroic fight.

To mobilize for the fund drive in your area, write to: Partisan Defense Committee, Box 99, Canal St. Station, New York, NY 10013. Make checks payable to: Aid to Striking British Miners' Families. Contributors will receive numbered receipts; financial records of this fund drive are open to inspection by any bona fide workers organization.



Class war in Britain: police charge pickets outside mine near Dover. For international labor solidarity with British coal strikers!

Bury Apartheid...

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Post, 24 November). The racist, capitalist American government which is the main enemy of black liberation from Grenada to Soweto, from Haiti to New York City, is not about to be "converted" to the cause of black freedom here or abroad.

Counterposed to such impotent liberal displays of moral outrage or the utopian call that the multinational corporations and universities of this country "divest" their stock in South Africa, the Spartacist League actively pursues the course of class-struggle solidarity with the workers and oppressed of South Africa. For international actions of labor solidarity—boycott all shipping and cargo to and from South Africa at this moment of intense social struggle! Free the black trade unionists and all victims of apartheid terror! As a Spartacist speaker put it during discussion at the forum:

"What we talk about... is the power of those black trade unions and the ability to divest South African white supremacist rule of its factories. That's the kind of divestment we are in favor of.... We're not talking about trying to clean up the image of American imperialism abroad or trying to get a local city council to pass an ordinance to prove

that it itself doesn't like what it sees in South Africa. Because this is powerless...."

Referring to West Coast longshore militants' struggle to mobilize their union in solidarity actions, he continued,

"The longshoremen can do it. They can stop those ships. And you see that's proletarian power and that's our orientation over there."

In San Francisco the majority-black longshoremen for more than a week refused to unload cargo from South Africa aboard the *Nedlloyd Kimberley*, demanding the release of jailed South African black trade unionists.

A highlight of the discussion, underlining the internationalist tenor of the meeting, was comrade Eibhlin McDonald's remarks on the nine-month-old bitterly fought British miners' strike. A member of the Spartacist League/Britain, comrade McDonald related:

"We had a demonstration recently in London organized by the Spartacist League on the question of South Africa, where a number of miners attended. And we raised the slogan, 'African gold miners, British coal miners—Same enemy, same fight, Workers of the world unite!' [Applause] ... Thatcher has learned a few lessons from Botha's South Africa. They've recently adopted the tactic, instead of throwing people in prison—you obviously can't throw eight, nine, ten thousand miners in prison, because the prisons will overflow—so what they've started to do is to deport them within the country.

People are sent off from English coal mines to the north of Scotland, and are not allowed to return home until after the strike. So there was a certain identification with some of the stuff that was described recently in South Africa among the British miners."

Within South Africa, Shiffman noted, the demands for "one man, one vote," for "land to the tiller" and for trade-union rights are explosive. The struggle against the Pass Laws, against the total disenfranchisement of the black population, is potentially revolutionary, cutting against the entire apartheid system and thus the very foundation for white capitalist rule. "For there to be emancipation in South Africa, necessarily there must be a civil war, a class upheaval, led by the black proletariat. Because only with the black proletariat in power, through its own class dictatorship, can the rest of the toilers of South Africa—the agrarian workers, the Indians and "coloureds" [people of mixed race], the black women of the bantustans—be mobilized to win their own freedom." Moreover, Pretoria has become Reagan's anti-Soviet gendarme throughout the continent, and workers revolution through smashing apartheid would spark revolution through all of Africa, providing a beacon to the oppressed colonial masses and working class everywhere, not least in the United States.

Explaining that South Africa has developed its mining not through capital investment but through increasing brutalization and exploitation of black labor, Shiffman compared the operation of South Africa's mines to that of the NYC subways where he works. Instead of capital investment, the subway czars want to substitute the American equivalent of the Boer *sjambok* or bullwhip:

"We have up at the 207th Street shop, sported by one [Ronald] "Jefferson" Davis, the proprietor of that plantation, a bullwhip wrapped around an American flag, a fitting symbol of the new era of labor relations in transit [laughter]. And I'll tell you, this union had better stand up for its rights, like they say in the song, and take that symbol of chattel slavery and racism down, and whites will not be spared the lash by white skin privilege in this industry."

The forum also featured a brief presentation by Spartacus Youth League National Committee member Dorie Reed. She emphasized the connection between racist reaction and the Cold War drive here in the belly of the imperialist beast, announcing that in order to distribute our Marxist litera-

ture, banned by anti-Communist book-burners and "beansprout totalitarians," the San Francisco State University SYL had gone underground. Comrade Reed read from some recently issued Communiqués by the Red Avengers of the Underground SYL (see articles this issue). She pointed out that administrative harassment began over the SYL's participation in an off-campus protest against apartheid and that racist hecklers disrupting the Red Avenger rally to defend Nicaragua spewed such filth as "They wouldn't want you in Russia, so you should go to South Africa" at black comrades. Quoting Red Avenger Communiqué No. 3:

"Students! Take a stand! From San Salvador to San Francisco to Soweto it is the same enemy. On the one side are the capitalists, the 'free world' butchers, the champions of apartheid slavery, the mass murderers of Hiroshima and My Lai. On the other side are the workers of the world. Those students who want to fight for a future must make the workers' cause *our own!* Smash Apartheid! For workers revolution!"

Also addressing the meeting was Partisan Defense Committee representative Paul Cooperstein who appealed for financial support to the SL/SYL suit against the FBI (recently successfully concluded; see article this issue). "The buildup for imperialist war means a war on democratic rights and political opposition at home," Cooperstein stated. "Reagan has declared that Marxist advocacy is in his 'space'." One hundred and thirty dollars was collected from the audience for the case against the FBI.

Concluding with the urgent necessity to build a revolutionary party internationally and in the U.S. which will lead the fight for black emancipation and workers power from black Soweto to black Detroit, Brother Shiffman recalled Leon Trotsky's exhortation to American revolutionists in the 1930s: "We must say to the conscious elements of the Negroes that they are convoked by the historic development to become a vanguard of the working class." It is to the struggle for that party that we are dedicated. And if we can build such a party here in the United States, if we help build such a party in South Africa—well, there is a very nice chant that is chanted at freedom meetings, whether they are trade unions or other organizations, in South Africa, by blacks and their allies. It is: '*Amandla!* (Power!) *Awetu!* (It is ours!)" And indeed if such parties can be built, it will be theirs, and it will be ours." ■

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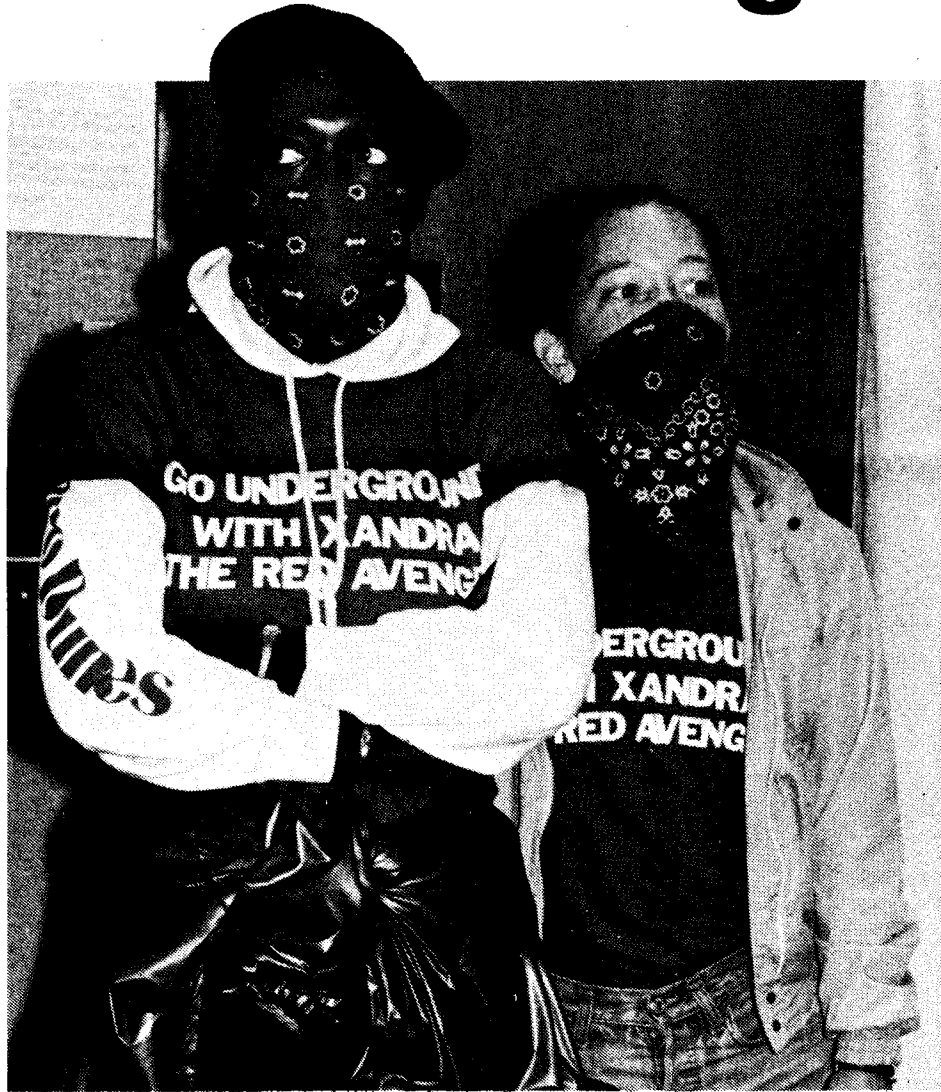
"Go Underground with Xandra the Red Avenger!"

SAN FRANCISCO, November 20—Young communists are being hunted down, chased, beaten and arrested for distributing Marxist literature. No, this is not Chile or South Africa, but the supposedly liberal "marketplace of ideas," San Francisco State University where the Spartacus Youth League has been driven underground and its literature banned.

The gang which is seeking to deny us all known democratic rights does not appear in the guise of Hitlerite totalitarians. Instead they partake of the "bean-sprout totalitarianism" of the "me"-generation on today's campuses, where it has become a crime to read pornography or try to buy a pack of cigarettes in a restaurant; where unescorted men are to be jailed as rapists if they're found on the streets after 10 p.m.; where anti-tank barriers are erected to protect children from cars. It's a nasty, cloying, ultra-parochial milieu where anything you don't like, like maybe seeing a piece of Marxist literature, becomes a form of "assault" called "you're invading my space." In willful mockery of this bean-sprout totalitarianism, the SYL will give them undergroundism bean-sprout style. The SYL at SF State becomes the Red Avengers of the Underground SYL, adopting the appropriate tactics like communiqués and guerrilla theater.

The communiqués received from the Red Avengers hold up for scorn the strutting little junior-grade book-burners who are replicating in the confines of their campus sandbox the panoply of sinister forces whose intent is to set up and destroy revolutionary Marxists with lies and cops. The whole thing has the stench of the FBI's COINTELPRO, the state's preferred undercover method of wiping out any perceived political opponents of the government, part of ideological regimentation of the population for war.

"Mellow" San Francisco has most recently been the scene of cop terror, from bashing the heads of demonstrators at last summer's Democratic Party National Convention to the cop rampage at a recent protest against "Defense" Secretary Caspar Weinberger. And the vicious Democratic Party mayor "Jefferson Davis" Feinstein must still burn with hatred every time she crosses Civic Center plaza and sees where her Confederate flag *used* to fly before the Spartacists removed and destroyed this offensive banner of



Introducing the Red Avengers. Venceremos!

slavery and KKK terror.

Exposed and wounded animals are dangerous and it appears these Democratic Party beasts have lashed back with a vengeance at SF State, an institution which enacts student conduct codes that prescribe who can and can't exist as if it were a feudal fiefdom that escaped the bourgeois-democratic revolution. How fitting that the attack dogs for this red-hunt are first and foremost the lady dobermans in the SF State Women's Center (WC), followed by the whole panoply of pro-Democratic Party aspirants and camp followers in the red-white-and-blue Rainbow Coalition, and the Associated Students (AS)—a nest of student careerist parasites eager to impress the powers that be. (A measure of the caliber of this "Women's Center," by the way, is that it has been accused of conducting "an unofficial boycott of homosexuals" [*Phoenix*, 18 October]—and this in San Francisco!) One week after Reagan's electoral landslide, these

popular-frontists, in frenzy and despair over their loser Mondale, began competing with Pinochet for book burning and rounding up the reds.

On October 9 the SF State Student Activities Office castigated the SYL for daring to organize a rally off campus against the South African apartheid butchers without first getting Big Brother's permission. But liberal totalitarianism really reared its ugly head in earnest at a November 1 debate sponsored by the WC, featuring SF Board of Supervisors candidates Diana Coleman of the Spartacist League, Sylvia Weinstein of Socialist Action and Julianne Malveaux, a former member of the Carter administration now representing Jesse Jackson's Rainbow Coalition. WC director Judy Moore (aka "Baby HUAC") decided that a table displaying Spartacist literature invaded her inner space and called the cops and the administration in to whisk away socialist literature (of course leaving intact the literature display of the right-wing

Lyndon LaRouche nut group). Student Activities Coordinator Russ Natson arrived on the scene and barked: "Student Activities considers this [Marxist literature] a counterdemonstration." The next day, Natson fired off a "Letter of Concern" to the SYL complaining of "two incidents involving literature distribution, when members of SYL were again the focal point of dissension" and stating that "this form of negative behavior is inappropriate for the safety and well being of students at SFSU."

Do Natson and Moore really have psychotic delusions of Marxist Bulletins, newspapers and pamphlets leaping off literature tables to "counterdemonstrate" and assault them? Probably not—but for the capitalist ruling class, which wants its wage-slaves and future wage-slaves docile, Marxist ideas being offered for scrutiny by youth and working people are dangerous (remember, it was once a capital crime to teach slaves to read) and the strutting would-be J. Edgar Hoovers and mini-Feinsteins at SF State are ever eager to do the bidding of their masters, the capitalist rulers. Anyone with a shred of decency should understand what's really going on. SFSU professor Sam Wellbaum, the SYL's faculty adviser, said flatly: "I don't believe they (SYL) are violent. They are loud and offensive, but that's their privilege" (*Golden Gate*, 20 November).

Meanwhile, the SYL is undergoing very real repression at the hands of the book-burners and their pals in blue. Thus far, supporters of the SYL have been subjected to six arrests; eight people were served with 72-hour bans from campus (including one person banned twice), four with 14-day bans; one student was warned his student status might be withdrawn if he was seen distributing SYL literature ever again.

A section of the bourgeoisie aims to criminalize political dissent as "terrorism," combining the ideological criteria of McCarthyite witchhunting with the direct-hit methods the FBI used to set up and destroy the Black Panthers. To them we are "terrorist" criminals guilty of "crimes" like: exposing the CIA's company unions like Polish Solidarność, leading masses of black unionists and youth in stopping the Klan, tearing down the Confederate flag of slavery, opposing war criminals on campus and recruiters for the murderous govern-

ment spy agencies, seeking to win youth to opposing imperialist war and recruiting them to socialism.

The anti-Soviet popular-front leftists take their cue from their bourgeois masters. To these frenzied, scared, demoralized pro-Mondale "leftists" we are "disrupters" whose crimes include: seeking to intervene like other members of the public in public meetings, carrying our own anti-Democratic Party revolutionary slogans in demonstrations, criticizing other organizations and recruiting youth to revolutionary Marxism. Both bourgeois and reformist components agree to bolster their intersecting respective cases with lying allegations of Spart "violence" to set us up for repression.

A vicious resolution passed November 15 by the Associated Students—yet another toothless body totally subservient to the administration, and which was dissolved during the '68-'69 strike—is a tissue of slimy lying allegations of SYL violence including the baseless claims that the SYL "belligerently and violently disrupt[s] the meetings and functions of other campus organizations" and "targets, harasses, and physically assaults members of the campus community."

This star-chamber Inquisition hearing included depositions submitted by Malveaux and various other dubious elements of the Democratic Party's "left" swamp. Malveaux reportedly claimed she had been assaulted by SYL supporters at a class October 23. One can't exactly take this lie seriously since the prevalent definition of violence by these birds centers on "assaults" on their "space" by Marxist literature. Indeed, Malveaux's whining about SYLers indecently approaching her with a microphone and tape recorder is nothing but poor-little-old-me cloying hypocrisy—the woman is a public figure trying to become more so: indeed, she was a candidate for public office at the time. But in any case, Malveaux never publicly raised any allegation of "violence" prior to the AS meeting nearly a month after the incident; why didn't she call the cops at the time, nor make the charge when she debated a Spartacist supporter at the Women's Center debate.

Another participant in the AS meeting reportedly tried to smear the SYL with the criminal allegation of arson, that the SYL had set a fire in the student union. The slanderers have been unable to make this one stick at all. The firebug was in fact a right-wing woman who

Red Avengers Say: Antiaircraft Missiles For Nicaragua!



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SYL raised money at SF State to help Nicaraguans clear skies of Yankee invaders. Above: Soviet SAM-7 anti-aircraft missile.



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April 1984—Richard Bradley, a leader of the Spartacist League and the Labor Black League for Social Defense, twice scaled 50-foot flagpole in San Francisco Civic Center to rip down the Confederate flag of slavery. Bradley's action earned him the vindictive wrath of SF's Democratic Party mayor, "Dixie Dianne" Feinstein.

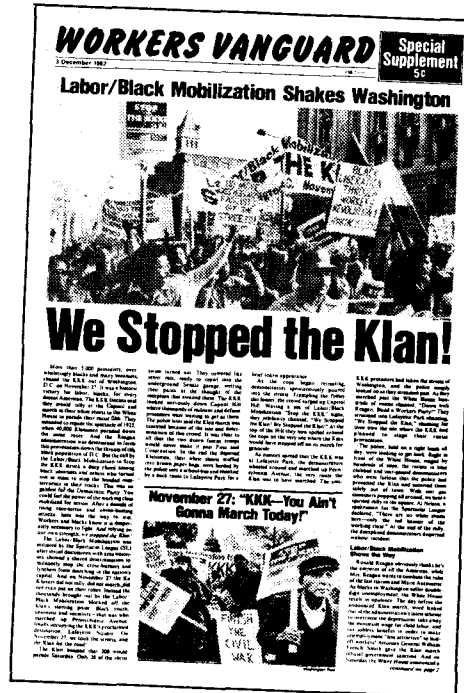
stood up on a chair and yelled, "God Bless America," ignited the Red Avengers' communiqué and dropped it to the floor. When a cop appeared asking "Who started the fire?" the woman confessed and the dismayed cop walked away.

It must have been a furious night of brainstorming—all but one of the depositions are dated the same day. That's the most political activity we've seen from these creeps since registering people to vote for Mondale. As for allegations of "violence," we wonder whether these stupid people ever looked at bodies—shot, knifed, burned, ripped—that is violence. Maybe "Baby HUAC" and her sisters get social and sexual excitement out of the seepages of a ruined human body, i.e., violence. We don't.

This is not the first time the SL/SYL or our supporters have been falsely accused of violence. In a series of remarkable legal victories we have won apologies and retractions from the likes of the Secret Service, the California attorney general, the Moonies and various bourgeois newspapers.

On November 12, the Red Avengers made their first campus appearance in a variety of masks and disguises, including Groucho Marx noses and glasses, "Ms. Piggy" faces and a Red Devil or two. Communiqué No. 1 was distributed throughout the campus; when delivered to the WC, it was cop city with a nasty vengeance. WC "media director" Renee "Freikorps" Frye, hysterically flapping about like a rabid bat—striking WC people trying to restrain her and Red Avengers alike—called in some male-type cops against a black trade unionist supporter of the Underground SYL. The comrade's crime was distributing leaflets and stepping in Frye's way when she tried to assault Xandra the Red Avenger. Our comrade was then handcuffed, dragged off, chained to a chair for 45 minutes at the campus police HQ and finally charged with "assault" for invading Frye's "space."

On Thursday, November 15 the Red Avengers held an "illegal" rally in the SFSU Student Union to raise money for the urgently needed arms to Nicaragua in its defense against Yankee aggression. The rally site was draped with the flags of U.S. imperialism's enemies—those of the Nicaraguan FSLN, the Cubans and the revolutionary Fourth International. Four comrades were arrested, handcuffed and dragged off by campus security forces, then charged with being



"We Stopped the Klan!" WV supplement celebrates Labor/Black Mobilization to Stop the Klan in Washington, D.C., 27 November 1982. Reagan and the cops said KKK would march, but Spartacist-led demo stopped them. Now at SF State a repulsive "Spart-busters" wall poster mocks this victory, parodying it as "We Shopped for Spam!"

outside agitators and taken downtown. Racist scum disrupted the rally by hurling Klan-like epithets at black members of the Red Avengers: "They wouldn't want you in Russia, so you should go to South Africa" and "Why don't you go to Grenada?" In their crusade against communism, the Rainbow Coalition from Malveaux to Workers World Party has now unleashed this racist filth. The feminist WC in bed with white racist jocks.

withdrawn," and his "motive": "to pass out 'Spartacus' Nicaraguan support flyers."

Right-wing feminists, along with other "me"-generation "political" self-seekers looking for patronage from the powers that be, add a new element to the notion of "disruption" with the concept of "self-defense" against invasion of one's "space." Do these dobermans of the female persuasion have something like the maritime 12-mile limit so that Marxists intruding into this "space" with books and ideas constitute a form of physical assault? These anti-freedom feminists become genuinely violent and/or call in the cops to manhandle Red Avengers of all races and sexes, which certainly violates our "space" except they've determined we don't have any. We know what happens to people who become non-persons with no space. The Nazis set up camps for them.

So the WC has found allies. Their vicarious fear of the invasion of their inner space leads these little ladies to call out big, brutal, sweating, white male cops to stop people from explaining that Karl Marx understood a thing or two. Which leads us to a lesson in dialectics. A while back there was a reference in the San Francisco press referring to the "business end" of a female great white shark. (Here in the land of beanprout totalitarianism there is, of course, much touching eco-compassion for the plight of the great white shark.) We wondered... what is the business end of a female great white shark? The answer, you see, depends on whether one is a horny male great white shark or a deeply committed feminist skindiver.

So here, fräuleins of the WC, is the unfolding of the dialectic. It's similar to the question of what is the business end of a great white racist sexist cop? He also

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The Red Avengers struck again that afternoon as the AS met to de-fund the SYL and recommend to the administration that it be banned. Ten Red Avengers burst into the AS meeting room and an Underground SYL spokesman denounced the student government as the agents of imperialist war and racism: "We stand on the other side! We're for black liberation through socialist revolution! We're for smashing apartheid slavery!" The Red Avengers refuse to accept a penny from the student government, junior-grade conduits of the ruling class.

While exiting the AS meeting, a female comrade was seized by a particularly deranged campus cop, thrown up against a wall, frisked and handcuffed. Red Avengers and some onlookers demanded "Let Her Go!" until she was released to the Red Avengers' cheers: "Venceremos!" The following day, in defiance of police "banning" notices, one Avenger supporter, a student at the University of California at Berkeley, was arrested for a second time: the police report filed on him cites his "crime": "On campus/consent to remain

has alternate business ends, depending, and you prefer to use the business end that compares to the toothed end of the poor, oppressed, Third World great white shark. Remember, pigs come in several forms, too. And one of them is spelled S-O-W.

As for the nasty children of the AS: we, as reasonable people, despite your lies about us, are always ready to make a deal. Relegalize us. No matter what we'll be damned if we ever take a dime from you. We don't want your bloody Yankee Amerikkkan dollars or the bonus that undoubtedly comes for unswerving service to this rapacious imperialist government whose running dogs you are. We promise to continue to promulgate our views in the way we have and to campaign against any political organization which sucks at the mammary gland of the bourgeoisie. In the words of the Red Avengers: "The battle lines are drawn... Down with the book-burners! Antiaircraft missiles for Nicaragua! Military victory to Salvadoran leftist insurgents! Hail Red Army in Afghanistan! For the International Communist Revolution!" ■

ET Blanches Over Red Avengers

In the wake of Reagan's first election when Bolshevism in this country necessarily meant mobilizing the black proletariat against resurgent racist terror and swimming against the anti-Communist stream to defend the Soviet Union, a number of our members chose to resign their party memberships. While some maintained a loyal friendship to the organization, not so for those who later coalesced as the "External Tendency" (ET). At a time when the party undertook the urgent task of labor/black mobilizations to stop KKK/Nazi threats in major cities from Detroit to Chicago to Washington, D.C. those who now call themselves the "External Tendency" fled our ranks at various points, fearful or indifferent to our perspective of black and red. Like many discouraged renegades from Marxism, who figure they've given their "best years" to the struggle, personal pique and bitterness dominate the ET's "politics." In self-justification and retrospect, the ETers cook up increasingly horrific stories about the monstrous machinations of the party from which they "unjustly" quit. But one has to ask: if it wasn't our black work and the Russian question—what was it you quit over?

So when we noticed members of the External Tendency lurking about San Francisco State lately we suspected they weren't there to aid in the just struggle of the Underground SYL. Sure enough, an ET leaflet surfaced in several cities entitled "Underground with Xandra—Did You Join the iSt for This?" in which the ET thrills with horror over the Red Avengers: "positively weird," "clearly bizarre," "paranoid," "misogynist" and "something pretty strange" not to mention "a milestone in the SL leadership's turn away from its orthodox Trotskyist past toward a future of political banditry and cultism with—or without—a Trotskyist veneer." The ET solemnly warns "those Spartacist comrades who still believe in the validity of Leninism that the 'Red Avengers' leaflet is something else. It is the road to Jimstown." Frankly we doubt the ET really believes that guerrilla theatre equals counterrevolution or even "cultism," it's just that Xandra's Underground SYL does not appear stodgy and sober and would not find favor with the AFL-CIO executive board.

The ET should know that, as proof of our descent into the maelstrom of "Jimstown" we believe that this is the best leaflet you ever wrote—the highest contribution to our well-being thus far. It is also the highest expression of yellow journalism on your part and owes more than a little to COINTELPRO. The inclusion of names and organizational posts of certain leading Spartacist members and other similar information in your leaflet is presumably not of much interest to SF State students. If we were to interpret this unkindly, which we do, we would call it red-baiting and fingering our members. Reading the works of the ET is not the road to mass suicide, but authoring them is something else again.

Carefully left out of the ET's polemic are the questions of thrust, purpose and program. Conceding that we face a "nasty red-purge" at SF State, the ET's own contribution to the witchhunt is to denounce in no uncertain terms the reds in question. Assuring all who care to hear that the ET wouldn't be caught dead in masks or red bandannas, they testify from their own peculiar vantage point (i.e., as embittered white ex-members) that the SYL is indeed worthy of repression. Now we all know that "cults" and "political bandits" are not bound by political program or principle; cults therefore are apt to do anything—dangerous people who by most standards ought to be locked up. This is

exactly the picture of us that our lying pro-Democratic Party opponents try to paint. Not innocently, the ET leaflet omits incidents well known to them of police violence against our comrades at SF State. And while the ET sneers that we are "paranoid" to raise the spectre of FBI machinations behind the witch-hunt, they write that upon reading the first Red Avenger Communiqué "we suspected that it was...some kind of COINTELPRO-type provocation." A curious double standard: lying charges of violence, repetitive arrests and witchhunting against us do not indicate to the ET any secret police involvement, but our own propaganda against the witchhunt does.

This is all the ET's way of getting and staying friendly with the popular front "progressives" who in fact are spearheading the attack on us at SF State. What happened there this fall was a mobilization of the Democrats/Rainbow Coalition/fake-left to elect Mondale. We stood in the way, partly because the campus was a main center of activity for the Spartacist campaign for SF Board of Supervisors. Under the slogan "Finish the Civil War!—For Workers Revolution!" our campaign drew a hard class line against the Democrats. Candidate for SF supervisor Richard Bradley was particularly well known and respected for his action in ripping down the Confederate flag—banner of slavery and racist terror—from the city's Civic Center. That action exposed the city's Democratic administration as the racist, anti-working class gang they are and in turn earned us the active enmity of those seeking to paint the Democrats in "progressive" rainbow hues. (The ET didn't think much of our successful fight to rid the city of the Confederate flag either; uniquely they credit mayor "Dixie Dianne" Feinstein for taking it down. Indeed, we suspect the straight-laced ET found Bradley's heroic action embarrassingly flamboyant.)

The liberals' witchhunt, backed up by the SFSU administration and cops, began in earnest when, at a supervisors candidates debate sponsored by the campus Women's Center, Spartacist literature was "banned" by hysterical feminists. Our announcement that the SYL, in order to distribute its Marxist literature, had been driven underground by "gestapo persons and rabid doberman pinschers of the female persuasion crawling between the toes of the FBI" was our way of mocking these Mondale lovers. But of course the ET hates this, being themselves Mondale lovers of the second mobilization.

Among the benefits of the Red Avengers tactic is that it has promoted physical fitness among our young comrades who have to run from the cops every day. No wonder prominent ET supporter Howard Keylor doesn't like this—he might fall on his pipe. He enjoys the manner of the genial leader, smoking a pipe like Stalin while he soberly reviews with popular frontists and labor bureaucrats how to break up a picket line which was, in fact, a deadly thrust against the South African apartheid regime. Which brings us to the story of how the ET stabbed black longshore workers in the back. In the predominantly black longshore union (ILWU) Local 10 in SF, Keylor "distinguished" himself as the left cover for the bureaucrats and Stalinists who were intent on sabotaging a potentially powerful union action against South African cargo aboard the *Nedlloyd Kimberley*. Militants supported by the SL fought for solid union action, including an official union picket of the ship and shutting down the entire port in response to any attempts by the employers to penalize the union or its members. The ET went along with the officers'

gambit of setting up the longshoremen to act on personal "conscience" and individually refuse to touch the cargo. Of course Keylor has no trouble sleeping at night because he's loyal to his program, his pipe and then there is the gestapo*-belted Uschi. (*Uschi of the ET—unlike Uli the ET cause célèbre—is not of course a "fascist." She simply believes that the Social Democrats who are currently living well in Germany experienced the same tragedy under Hitler that the Jews did.)

It is thus no accident that Keylor was seen on the docks conferring with one Julianne Malveaux, Democratic Party politico and central figure in the attempted purge of the SYL at San Francisco State. Professor Malveaux submitted, along with various "progressive" campus organizations, a written complaint against the SYL in time for the student government meeting which

Tom Haley



Red Avengers take inspiration from striking British miners' wives, in masks (above). Too wild for you, ET?

had been carefully planned in advance to go after us. Someone ran a solicitation racket among political opponents of ours, and produced a number of depositions all dated on or around the same day. Only Malveaux had the maliciousness and poor judgment to include in her statement a lying charge of physical assault against her by an SL supporter (see "Statement to the ORC Hearing," page 9).

Afflicted with terminal anti-Spartacism, the ET pretends not to see that behind the anti-red mobilization at SF State is the attempt to intimidate and regiment youth for war. Reagan is setting up Nicaragua for something horrible, and setting up the Soviet Union—and all of us—for something really horrible. The Mondale lovers, scared witless over Reagan's landslide re-election, figure the least they can do in that worthiest of all causes, the saving of their own hides, is to place themselves at the head of an anti-red witchhunt such as is occurring at SF State. So we have said "nuts to you" in an ostentatious fashion to our "progressive" persecutors.

In the course of our underground work, we have learned a thing or two. One is that combining outrageous mockery and our serious politics in the same communiqué is very difficult. So we have adopted the "counter-communicé" which is written in the "voice" of our beansprout and feminist opponents (see *Counter-Communiqué No. 1-1/2*, page 11). Another is that it's fun under these mock conditions and has been well received by students bored to death by Mondale lovers.

The ET has no more stomach for the Red Avengers than it did for the "Yuri Andropov Brigade"—the New York City contingent of Spartacists and oth-

er anti-fascist militants who traveled to Washington, D.C. for the 5,000-strong Labor/Black Mobilization which stopped a threatened Klan march in November 1982—a victory at which the ET was conspicuous by its absence. From D.C. to San Francisco—where there is Spartacist-led struggle, the ET is nowhere to be found.

The Red Avengers recognize that student governments, as indirect agents of the state and training grounds for tomorrow's bourgeois politicians, use their disbursements as a means of control over campus political life. For the ET, this simple statement of fact is "idiotic" and yet another example of our "outrageous" behavior so alien to the housebroken "family of the left." They duly refer us to a 1974 internal SYL document on obtaining campus funding. Well, in our internal discussions on a range of questions, nobody was ever right all the time. What matters for a revolutionary organization is whether or not, when a question comes into sharp dispute, there is the necessary programmatic basis to correctly *decide* it. For years, liberal and reformist organizations have made off with large amounts of student government funding precisely because of services rendered to the "orderly functioning" of the university. And for years the communist SYL has waged fights on the democratic principle that if they get it, we should get it too. But we get peanuts and the price is too high.

At SF State, we refused to accept the legalities of people who offered us \$10 and castration/clitorectomies. We certainly don't need the former, and don't propose to undertake the latter. We are, of course, reasonable people and as soon as they stop going after us because they are so upset that Reagan won against St. George the Mundale and Lady Ferraro we are perfectly prepared to reach a modus vivendi. But we won't take their money. At our recent SYL National Committee plenum, we discussed and reaffirmed this policy.

The ET also objects to a plethora of heuristic devices used by the Underground SYL to mock our beansprout totalitarian opponents. No, one would not describe the ET as having a sense of playfulness. How could they; from their inception their real program has been defeatism, tiredness and sour grapes. The ET's attempt to serve up a pseudo-"Spartacism" without the "Spart" makes them not only camp followers of the popular front, but about as exciting as "Flipper" re-runs.

Using an analogy which should be understood by most ETers, one could describe them as the Harry Turner Brigade. A humorless lot, the ET cannot be expected to grasp the fact that liberation is also play—an enormous release of revolutionary energy. If you're standing in resolute opposition to the repressive modus operandi of a sick society, why not occasionally have some fun at its expense? In the liberal totalitarian stronghold of San Francisco, our comrades of the Red Avengers seek to do precisely that. If the ET doesn't like "Go underground with Xandra" how about "Have fun with the deeply humanist Thorfinn, the Raven Feeder"?

Finally, we are gratified that a number of students at SFSU don't suffer the geriatric disabilities of the ET and get a kick out of the Red Avengers and their communiqués. We really don't think that the world has ended because Reagan got elected. Non-dear ex-comrades: the working people should take over this country and if that happens, you'll be astonished.

Viva Vanessa! Viva Xandra! Long live the just struggle of the Underground SYL against the fascist insect that preys upon the students! ■

Underground SYL Statement to Organizational Review Committee:

"Go Ahead, Make Our Day!"

SAN FRANCISCO, December 10—As we go to press, the Organizational Review Committee star chamber has made no decision despite hours-long "deliberations" by this august body on December 6 regarding the SYL's "legality." On Tuesday, December 11 "ORCA" will reconvene in "closed session" for more weighty discussion. Meanwhile, the Red Avengers have reportedly distributed several thousand copies of the Underground Spartacus supplement which first appeared in Workers Vanguard No. 367 (23 November) and over 15,000 communiqués and "counter-communicés" to interested SF State students. Special effort was made to circulate Red Avengers material to Julianne Malveaux's class ("The Red Avengers Strike Again!" decorating her blackboard). Over the weekend, Red Avengers previously arrested on campus were notified that the charges have been dropped by the city. At the ORC meeting, statements were made in the SYL's defense by Professor Sam Wellbaum and Gay and Lesbian Alliance member Liz Welles. Various written statements have been sent to the SFSU administration on our behalf. The Underground SYL refused to participate in the kangaroo court and taped the following message which was played to the ORC meeting.

indication of the sorry and declining state of education at San Francisco State University that its paid agents can't even run a frame-up with at least a genuflection toward bourgeois democratic hypocrisy. Dimwitted high school principals can and have done better. The ORC has not even a fig leaf of neutrality, no evidence, just lies which

responsible. Numerous witnesses have made written statements to the same effect, since the firebug in question was a hostile, anti-Communist female who identified herself to DPS at the time, and who DPS, dismayed that it wasn't us, let go.

Aside from these shoddy attempts to smear the SYL as "violent," the real

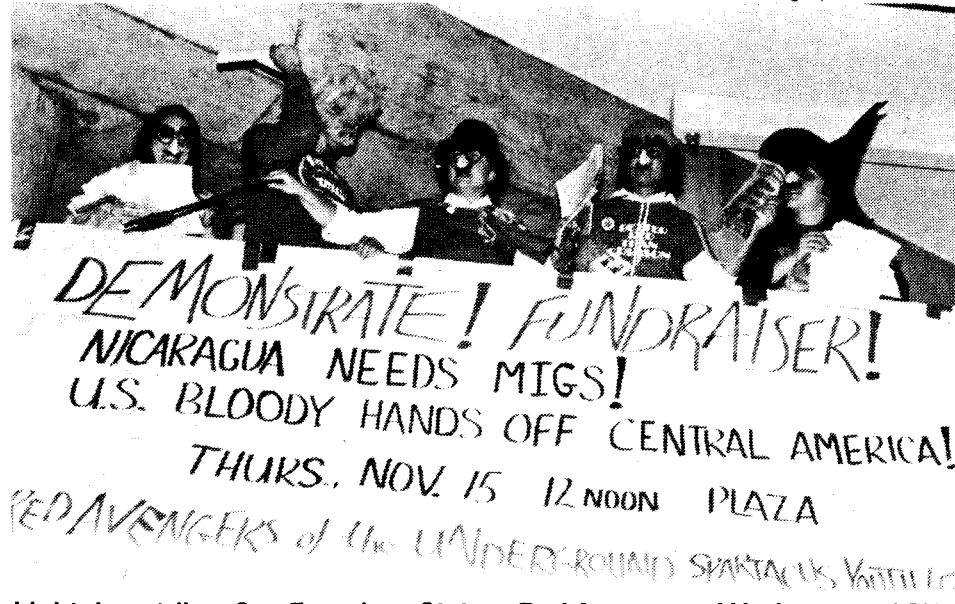
debate on the real issues in dispute. We can suggest some topics which would be of interest no doubt to much of the student body: the relationship of socialists to the bourgeois state and its armed bodies; the class nature of the Democratic Party; defense of the Soviet Union against imperialism and its applicability to the revolutionary struggles in Central America; the racist symbolism of the Confederate flag and flag removal tactics; book-burning and its role in fascist movements; why leftists should not be in the pay of the capitalist state.

Meanwhile, we have gone underground in order to distribute our Marxist literature. You have had us beaten and arrested by the cops. You have had us slandered and set up for vicious state repression. This is the violence that has taken place at San Francisco State University: police violence against communists at the behest of pro-Democratic Party ex-leftists and book-burning Moral Majorityite feminists.

Our status as a recognized campus organization is supposedly at issue here today. We have no objection to legality per se, it tends to make our political work among the students easier. But for the flea-bitten cabal framing us up here, legal "recognition" means your approval and control of our organization. We do not recognize your right to make such judgments. We didn't recognize it in 1975 when, as now, we faced an attempted ORC witchhunt. Then it was retaliation for our role in organizing an anti-Nazi demonstration and for the fact that the Nazis were driven from the campus. That purge attempt met the same sorry fate your current machinations are headed for. The Underground SYL defends the struggle for legality, but refuses to take one dime from the paid agents of bloody Yankee imperialism. We demand the de-funding of all political organizations except those groups who are agents of the bourgeois state—e.g., Young Republicans will get their money from the FBI and Young Democrats from the CIA.

You cannot tolerate our politics and our constant exposure of yours: we defend the Soviet workers state, we fight for a workers party, we fight for black liberation and for socialist revolution. We will continue to do so and if we have to function illegally maybe we will recruit the very best to overthrow you and everything you stand for.

Do what you want. And we will do what we want. In the words of Clint Eastwood, a Californian not of the beansprout totalitarian mold, "Go ahead, make our day." ■



Young Spartacus Photo

Lightning strikes San Francisco State... Red Avengers of Underground SYL surface for rally.

you hope to repeat often and loudly enough until they are accepted as good coin.

As to the "substance" of complaints against our Marxist organization, such as we can glean from the written statements delivered to the Associated Students and in due course to the SFSU administration, we find one charge of physical violence. Professor Julianne Malveaux, for reasons best known to herself, has put this lie in writing and signed her name to it.

Professor Malveaux writes that "on one occasion" she was "grabbed... by the arm" outside her 8:00 a.m. class by a male member of the SYL. "When I pulled away, he stood in front of my classroom door, forcing me to pull the door against him in order to enter my classroom." Malveaux does not give a date for her alleged "assault." On October 23, two SYL supporters did indeed distribute Spartacist literature outside her classroom. They also asked an answer from then-candidate for public office Malveaux to a debate challenge which had been issued by the Spartacist Party Campaign Committee. At no point was Malveaux so much as touched by the SYL supporters. That is why, although this ostensibly occurred in October, Professor Malveaux only reveals her harrowing story in November—in a deposition dated, as are all the others save one, November 13. That is why there were never any charges brought against the alleged assailant. That is why it was not raised publicly by Malveaux on November 1 as she participated in the Women's Center-sponsored debate with Spartacist candidate Diana Coleman. Because it is simply a lie made up out of whole cloth by an unscrupulous political opponent of the SYL, one not above the gutter antics of the most corrupt and inept Democratic Party politicians.

A similarly nasty lie was made verbally at the Associated Students meeting November 15 wherein the SYL was accused of arson (i.e., of setting fire to our own leaflet) in the Student Union. This was verbally refuted by an eyewitness during the meeting and subsequently the *Golden Gater* (20 November) reported that even the campus police were on record that the SYL was not

charge against us, contained in the written statements of four "progressive" political groups, is that we are argumentative, polemical and politically combative. And yes, we do discuss politics outside the rigidly defined and cop-patrolled "free speech" bantustan without prior authorization. To these "crimes" we plead guilty, with pleasure.

The wimpy, miserable, Democratic Party-ensconced "progressives" have invented a new form of "assault" called "you're invading my space." We are doing what students ought to be doing—discussing and debating urgent political issues. Squabbling is the essence of life and politics. We refer you to the works of Karl Marx, Frederick Engels, V.I. Lenin, Leon Trotsky and Rosa Luxemburg in order to grasp the role of polemics in the revolutionary movement. There is a proud tradition—with which we openly solidarize—of scathing argumentativeness and even name-calling against your historical counterparts.

In fact, if our "progressive" opponents (most of whom proudly advertise their habit of calling the cops against the Marxist SYL in their statements) had spines less caterpillar-like, the appropriate method of dealing with their complaints would be in open political

The Underground Spartacus Youth League refuses to participate in this star chamber "hearing"—a mockery of any standards of justice except possibly those of the Spanish Inquisition. This is a witchhunting body whose members have, in public and in print, pronounced the SYL guilty of communism and therefore unfit to legally participate in the political and social life of the San Francisco State campus. No charges or evidence were presented to the defendants in advance, and this rigged proceeding is now held behind closed doors as befits any good Inquisition.

Apparently the pro-loser Mondale "progressives" behind this red-hunt feel if they can't beat Reagan, they can at least beat the Spartacists. But we must inform you that your campaign is simply the latest in a long series of lies intended to set us up for deadly victimizations; lies that we've successfully combatted. From Sun Myung Moon to George Deukmejian and the FBI, we've faced far more formidable opponents than you—and won. It is an

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WHEREAS the Associated Students Legislature recognizes the need for student organizations to exist; and

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WHEREAS the Associated Students Legislature recognizes that the Spartacus Youth campus organizations have consistently demonstrated their commitment to

WHEREAS the Spartacus Youth League has frequently responded to this divergence of opinion by belligerently and violently disrupting the meetings and functions of other campus organizations; and

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THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED that the Associated Students Legislature does officially censure the Spartacus Youth League; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Associated Students Legislature withdraws all current monies allocated to the Spartacus Youth League and will not support future funding, space allocation, or any other benefits afforded student organizations by the Associated Students Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Associated Students Legislature strongly recommends revocation of the Spartacus Youth League's student organization charter.

The Associated Students' evil lies.



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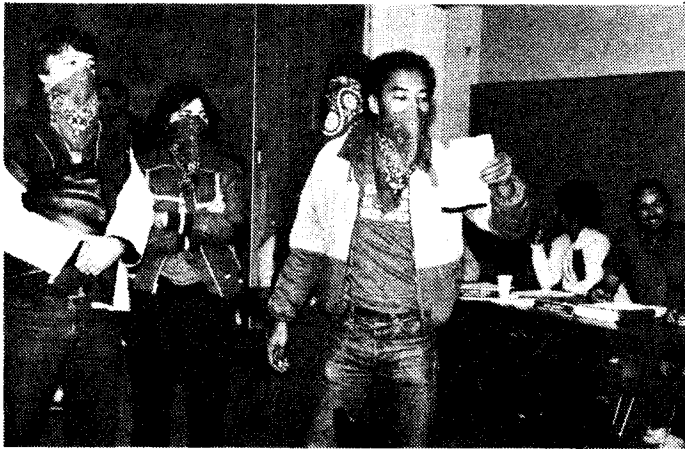
Guerrilla theater: The Effete Legal SYL bound and gagged by the Oh-So-Official Women's Center.



Seven little Ms. Piggies go to free market. Bottom right: Renee "Freikorps" Frye. Her "sisters": top, from left: Margaret Thatcher, Indira Gandhi, Jeane Kirkpatrick, Dianne Feinstein. Bottom, from left: Golda Meir, Hitlerite filmmaker Leni Riefenstahl.

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Red Avengers at AS meeting: "Down with the Associated Student Stooges (SS)! Gag on your benefits! We won't take one dime from the agents of Amerikkkan imperialism!"



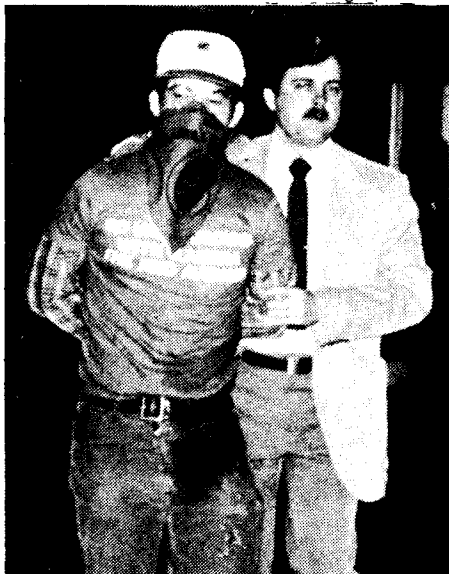
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The Spartacus Youth League of San Francisco State University has been driven underground by gestapo persons and rabid doberman pinschers of the female persuasion crawling between the toes of the FBI. We go underground because sinister elements in the student government and the Women's Center, book burners inspired by sentiments at bottom not different than those of CIA tool Pinochet of Chile, leave us no recourse if we are to distribute our Marxist literature—especially our newspapers *Young Spartacus* and *Workers Vanguard* and the writings of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Trotsky.

As an underground organization we will invite people to campus meetings to discuss Marxist politics. As for the female doberman agents of the bourgeoisie in the grip of anti-Soviet heat, they are going to have to face the just political rage of those driven underground. Beware of the Red Avengers!

Certainly the SF State student government and Women's Center have

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Red Avenger "space invader" busted.

COMMUNIQUE NO. 1

Beware Lady Dobermans in Anti-Soviet Heat—Your Ass Could Be Bitten Next!

made a spectacle of themselves during the sorry events of the last few weeks. They would do well to ponder the Amerikkkan CIA's long tradition of using student governments as dupes and pawns in their global campaign of anti-Soviet disinformation and terrorism in the service of imperialism.

Perhaps we are witnessing the rebirth of something like the National Student Association, a CIA creature whose cover was blown in 1966. That's how Gloria Steinem got her start as a CIA spy on Communist youth. SF State's "Women's Center" may be the breeding ground for a new crop of Steinems. To find out, we might ask the local Democratic Socialists of America (DSA) chapter whose mentor, Michael Harrington, has a similarly "comfortable" history with the likes of the NSA.

As it is, events at SF State over the past period read too much like a William Buckley CIA spy novel about a mythical Midwest college where anti-freedom feminist CIA agents dupe the campus cops and student government into acting as tools to get the reds.

Behind the farce at SF State lie some fundamental points. The SF State campus is not the bourgeois state but a derivative of it. Money disbursed by student governments is thus only indirectly money of the state. But he who

pays the piper calls the tune. The power of the purse is the power to control or destroy. The Democratic Party-ensconced Harringtonite DSA, of the shabby history cited above, makes a career of living off this largess.

The underground SYL defends the struggle for legality, but refuses to take one dime from the paid agents of bloody Yankee imperialism. We demand the de-funding of all political organizations except those groups who are agents of the bourgeois state—e.g., Young Republicans will get their money from the FBI and the Young Democrats from the CIA. We note with satisfaction that the excellence of our proposal is only underlined by the fact that the Workers World Party/People's Anti-War Mobilization, Unity, John Brown Anti-Klan Committee, et al. are up to their ears in the imperialist filth of the Democratic Party. Amen!

For our part we happen to be old-fashioned Marxist-Leninists who don't think that smoking in an elevator merits being stabbed (as happened to black SF State student Doris Collum by an eco-freak in February, 1982) or that distribution of Marxist literature merits castration.

We know that this is an uncivil statement, we only wish that it was also inaccurate. It takes two to be civil. To

our rabid opponents we offer a deal: you catch the unwary looking for a good fuck and we'll catch the ones looking for an understanding of the world...you're bound to give yours a real screwing.

Speaking of which (witch?) Women's Center guru Judy Moore (a.k.a. Baby HUAC) informs us, "I'm not impressed with police brutality, nor do I care in the least what's happening in Nicaragua." But Moore likes to throw her considerable weight around, and doesn't want State students to read Karl Marx. Well, in lieu of Marx, we recommend that Ms. Moore read *Miss Manner's Guide to Rearing Perfect Children—A Primer for Everyone Worried About the Future of Civilization*.

To those students at State who do care about stopping U.S. imperialism's counterrevolutionary schemes in Central America the Red Avengers of the underground SYL invite you to a rally of the effete legal SYL on Thursday, November 15 at noon on the plaza for military defense of Nicaragua against Yankee imperialism. We will be soliciting funds for the Nicaraguan government to purchase the most advanced anti-aircraft missiles from the Soviet Union, especially the Soviet equivalent of the Stinger. Join the Red Avengers at the A.S. meeting at 4:00 Thursday to protest the two-bit Führers' attacks on the SYL (camouflage provided upon request).

Red Avengers—friends of the rights of the Underground SYL Venceremos!

11/12/84

Address all correspondence to: Red Avengers c/o Underground SYL Felix Dzerzhinsky Square corner of Karl Marx Street at Fourth International Avenue SF State University San Francisco

COUNTER-COMMUNIQUE NO. 1-1/2

The following counter-communique (excerpted) from "Ms. Piggy" to "Good boys and girls" was circulated November 19 at SF State campus after it fell into the hands of the Red Avengers.

FROM: Ms. Piggy, Esq., Ph.D.,
Führette-in-Chief of the
Wombat Center

TO: Good boys and girls

RE: Totally unauthorized commie literature and rally

1. It has come to my attention that completely non-permitted subversive Bolshevik propaganda is being circulated on this campus by the self-designated "Red Avengers of the Underground Spartacus Youth League." My flunkys advise me that some of these ignorant sluts and low-class riffraff have even gone so far as to impersonate Me. Further, these people reportedly held a commie rally at 12:30 PM last

Bureau of Insemination (FBI), c/o Wombat Center, J. Edgar Hoover Memorial Union. Repeated infractions may result in clitorrectomy and/or castration....

v. ...Now, commie weasels...if you won't "grow up" like those nice Human World Party people and Democratic Socialists it'll be more pig slop for you! Off with your heads!

2. The Thursday 12:30 Red Avenger rally to raise funds for the purchase of advanced Soviet anti-aircraft missiles for Nicaragua was an outrage and an intolerable affront to: Dianne Swinestein (aka the Falling Wonder), Phyllis Schlafly, Lady Di, Margaret Thatcher, the Queen of England, Jeane Kirkpatrick, the late lamented Indira, and all my other Sisters. You know what happens when you cross me and my girls, the direct descendants of Lizzie Borden and Carrie Nation...

3. My colleagues and lackeyettes called the cops (how I love 'em!) to cart off those Marxist books at the Debate. Cross my heart and hope to die, those books assaulted me. Sociable Tea Biscuits and Red Revolution do not mix or match, as Miss Manners or Emily Post will tell you. Then Renee Frye called the cops to arrest a black trade unionist supporter of the Red Avengers after he aided that slutnik Xandra when Renee Freikorps attacked her. Yes, I do love the cops, but I'm still not satisfied. Be advised that My Administration is weighing the following additional measures:

- a. an invasion of SF State by the Marines (if Ronnie says OK);
- b. a quarantine by the 7th Fleet;
- c. getting Pres. Duarte to lend me some death squads...
- g. Korean Air Lines spy plane to buzz Red rallies, with simultaneous activation of U.S. RC-135 recon aircraft and other goodies.

In any event, a Pot-Luck Book Burning and Doberman Beauty Contest will be held soon. Your friendly local American Anti-communist Alliance squad leader and Girl Scout cookie salesperson will advise you of the time and place.

- 4. Now, my children, never forget:
 - x. Communism saps precious bodily fluids and could lead to fluoridation.
 - ix. Communists fight imperialist war, racial and sexual oppression, unemployment, and other



San Francisco State University Women's Center
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WOMEN'S CENTER VS. SPARTACUS

Hello, my name is Judith Moore, I am Director of the Women's Center. I'm the one that Spartacus is attacking, if you've been following the battle between the Women's Center and Spartacus, you must be curious to know what happened to excite these people so. If you need their material

Student Union - San Francisco State University
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DATE: November 14, 1984

TO: Jeanne Wick
Acting Director, Student Activities

FROM: Al Paparelli
Managing Director

RE: SPARTACUS YOUTH LEAGUE - DISORDERLY, DISRUPTIVE AND THREATENING BEHAVIOR

The Spartacus Youth League has disregarded Student Union and University policies and procedures related to demonstrations, disruptive and threatening behavior in their recent activities. Accordingly, I recommend that they have their privileges as a student organization suspended as soon as possible.

Should you require more detailed information as to the dates, locations and nature of these incidents, I would be happy to supply it.

cc: Sheryl Derdowski, Chair, Student Union Governing Board
Don W. Scoble, Executive Director for Business Affairs
Spartacus Youth League

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STUDENT ACTIVITIES OFFICE

November 15, 1984

Charles Overbeck, Vice President
Spartacus Youth League

Dear Charles and Members:

Last night I saw the banner for a Rally today at noon. This Rally has not been scheduled. Rose and another member of SYL then to find out in his office to discuss SYL's recent activities on campus, they refused.

Another organization has the Plaza scheduled from 12 noon to 1:00 p.m. I ask that SYL not interrupt the scheduled event.

Since it is raining today, the scheduled event may be cancelled. Outdoor events can not be conducted inside if it rains unless an event facility is available for scheduling.

SYL must follow University policy and procedure for scheduling events so that all events may be conducted in an organized manner that will protect the rights of all, including SYL.

Sincerely,
Jeanne Wick
Acting Director

Associated Students of San Francisco State University
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November 5, 1984

To: Noah Weiner, Editor in Chief
Workers Vanguard
P.O. Box 1377, CDO
New York, New York 10116

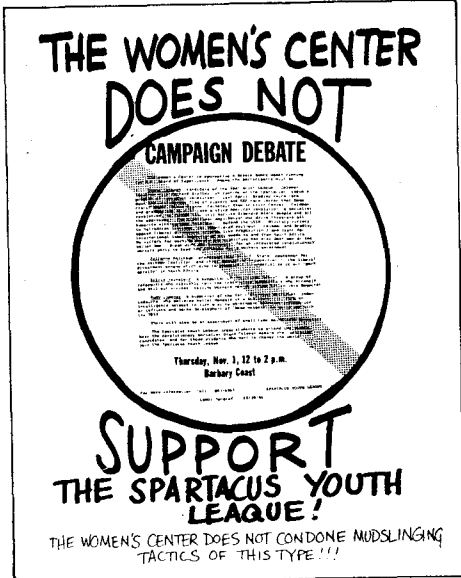
From: James F. McQuibben
Business Manager

Please be advised that those who use your name and sell your newspapers on this campus continue to conduct themselves in a manner that is considered by most on this campus to be contrary to the ethics of fairness.

It perhaps should be acknowledged in the beginning that the Associated Students in general and I in particular do not endorse any political party, issue or candidate, on campus or off. It is however our intention that rules established to insure fairness to all points of view be adhered to by everyone. That includes those who share your point of view.

At this time...

Top: Ms. Piggy finds her pork barrel. WC honcho Judy Moore writes: "protect yourselves" against SYL's Marxist views "by any means necessary." Feminist beansprout totalitarians conspire with sandbox student bureaucrats, whine to cops and administration that our Marxist literature "invades their space" — the pretext to frame up and silence reds.

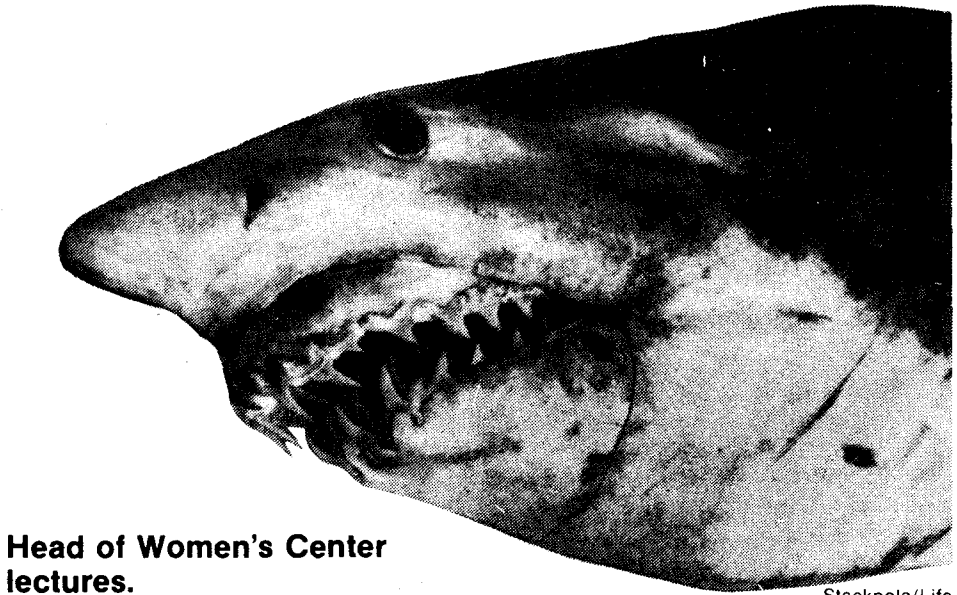


The feeling is mutual.

Thursday in the Student Union cafeteria.

ACHTUNG! NOW HEAR THIS!

- i. This Marxistic, Trotskyite trash is not stamped and counter-signed by Myself and Big Brother. This is prima facie proof that it is ipso facto (that's pig Latin) unlawful, unladylike, unauthorized, prohibited, forbidden, not nice, naughty und sehr verboten. DO NOT READ IT! It is hereby CANCELLED.
- ii. Subversive Russia-lovers are definitely agents of the devil.
- iii. Those caught reading aforementioned smut will be punished. Report yourself to: Campus Frog



Head of Women's Center lectures.



Judy Moore
Young Spartacus

Question: Which end of a female great white shark is the business end? Answer: It depends whether you're a horny male great white shark or a militant feminist skindiver.

- viii. In awful Russia there is free medical care, no unemployment, no slumlords, no Dixiecrats and in general no way of advancing Ms. Piggy's career in the Democratic Party.
- vii. Xandra comes from the Russian name Xandropova.
- vi. It is a proven fact that Marxism makes hair grow on your palms. It has been linked to impure thoughts, pleasure, masturbation, pornography, pleasure, taking your clothes off, heterosexuality, homosexuality, bisexuality, and other sources of bestial orgasms. It is a social disease.
- vi(a). These people, in their mad desire that you seek to change the world, could actually make it harder for you to be clean cannon fodder for invasion of Central America, WWII, and other worthy causes. Besides, there is mounting evidence that Karl Marx was a foreigner.
- v. There is no Point v.
- iv. Nancy Reagan is a Person too.
- iii. There is too a pot of gold at the end of the Rainbow. (I have a bridge to sell you, too.)
- ii. If I play my cards right, I might get to be U.S. Dictator of Grenada some day, or at least of Treasure Island. Today SF State, tomorrow the world!
- i. Revolution is definitely not authorized by the SF State Bondage and Disciplinary Review Board.

Are You Now or Have You Ever Been? You Better Not!
Down with Intelligence—Long Live Death! (My very favorite Francoist slogan)
MIGs No! Pigs Si! Oink if You Love the Bourgeoisie!
Go Back to Russia, Commie SYL Perverts!

Ms. Piggy, Esq., Ph.D.
RSVP
Nov. 18, 1984

Young Spartacus

FBI Admits: Marxists Are Not Terrorists Spartacist Victory Against New McCarthyism!

SL Suit Against FBI "Terrorism" Guidelines Settled

We won! The Spartacist League (SL) and Spartacus Youth League (SYL) successfully concluded a lawsuit against the FBI in which we charged that the 1983 Attorney General's Guidelines for Domestic Security/Terrorism Investigations set up our organizations for deadly state repression by falsely equating Marxist advocacy with criminal enterprise and terrorism. In the settlement filed in Federal District Court in New York on November 30, the FBI conceded the central aim of our legal action—that Marxists are not criminal terrorists.

The FBI's former definition (see

page 4) maliciously attributed to the SL a conspiratorial commitment to the violent overthrow of the government. The new definition won in the legal settlement describes the SL as exactly what it is—a Marxist political organization. It concludes by stating that the SL/SYL "was once the subject of an FBI domestic security investigation. The investigation was closed in 1977, however, and it did not result in any criminal prosecution."

Our lawsuit was the first direct legal challenge to the new Domestic Security/Terrorism Guidelines. The legal settlement strikes a modest but real blow against the McCarthyite drive to criminalize political opponents of the government and is an important victory for all defenders of democratic rights. Most directly, this is a victory for past, present and future members of the SL/SYL, supporters, sympathizers, subscribers, their fami-

lies and friends. In the deliberate self-conscious pursuit of our own interests, we are the vanguard fighters for civil liberties.

We have no illusions that the government's secret police have stopped

or will stop their harassment, infiltration, disruption or liquidation of its perceived political opponents—be they Marxists like ourselves, blacks protesting South African apartheid,

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Workers Vanguard Photo

SL, SYL, PDC
spokesmen
announce
victory of
lawsuit
against FBI
outside NYC
courthouse,
November 30.



Black Workers Must Take the Lead!

Bury Apartheid!

From the townships to the schools, to the industrial heartland in Transvaal Province, the flames of black revolt are sweeping South Africa. In the current wave of militant anti-apartheid battles, the five-million-strong black proletariat has emerged as the visible motor force of the coming revolution. The black workers of South Africa are the gravediggers of apartheid and their struggle has inspired workers throughout the world.

This was the theme of a well-attended Spartacist League forum entitled, "Smash Apartheid Slavery! Black Workers Must Take the Lead!" held at Hunter College in New York City on November 16. The main presentation was given by Reuben Shiffman, member of Transport Workers Union (TWU) Local 100 and a writer on colonial and national questions. Attesting to the deeply felt solidarity with the anti-apartheid struggle among black workers and youth in this country, the heavily black audience of more than 100 included about 20 members of the TWU, as well as hospital workers and other unionists; students from Hunter, Yale, Borough of Manhattan Community College, Columbia University and interested leftists from the U.S. and abroad. As Shiffman put it:

"In this brutal regime is seen, especially by the colonial masses throughout the world and by blacks in America, a mirror of their own oppression. A mirror that magnifies, that renders grotesque and exaggerated but never-



Black South African proletariat: gravediggers of apartheid and powder keg for revolution throughout African continent.

theless is a reflection of what the peasants in El Salvador, what the Mexican migrants in the Southwest, what the Turkish worker in Europe, what the untouchable in India, and, yes, what a black welfare mother in the Bronx feels in a racist society, in a colonial society, in a society in which there is special oppression."

November's massive, Transvaal-centered general strike of hundreds of

thousands of black workers, joined by a quarter of a million students, had as its key demands the withdrawal of police and troops from the black townships, release of all anti-apartheid prisoners and detainees, the reinstatement of fired workers, educational improvement for black students and no rent increase. In the Johannesburg area, two-thirds of black industrial workers struck with 95

percent walking out in some areas. "This general strike," Shiffman noted, "had reverberations not only against the apartheid regime itself, but throughout the famine-scarred and war-torn continent of Africa, and indeed throughout the world and especially in the United States."

Even liberal black Democrats, known for their opposition to militant struggle on behalf of black rights, have felt compelled to protest and be arrested at South African embassies in Washington, D.C. and elsewhere. It took Ronald Reagan's re-election for these do-nothing black pols to suddenly discover the address of the South African embassy. In order to retain any credibility with their black constituencies, politicians like Congressional delegate Walter Fauntroy and U.S. Representatives John Conyers and Ron Dellums must try to associate themselves with the heroic struggle against apartheid. The Congressmen's so-called "Free South Africa Movement" expressly seeks simply to "pressure" the Reagan administration, and Fauntroy adds nasty American chauvinism in the appeal to labor: that "our jobs are threatened" at home as long as they are threatened by cheap labor abroad. Mary Berry, member of Reagan's U.S. Civil Rights Commission, who sat in with Fauntroy, told the press: "We just want our government to be on the side of freedom, not oppression" (*Washington*

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