

**ALL OUT FOR  
MARCH 8!**

**SPECIAL  
INTERNATIONAL  
WOMEN'S DAY  
ISSUE**

The October League and other anti-imperialist, revolutionary and progressive organizations have called on people to march on International Women's Day, March 8, for women's liberation and against imperialism.

In cities throughout the country men and women will be marching and calling for "Full Equality for Women" and condemning "Imperialism, Not Overpopulation" as their enemy. Other demands of the Women's Day activities include: Jobs or Income Now—End the Lay-Offs—Special Seniority Rights for Women and Minorities—Pass the Equal Rights Amendment—Free Child Care—End Forced Sterilizations—Free, Safe Abortions—End the Cutbacks—End Attacks on the Working Class and Minorities—Stop Deportations—End Imperialist Aggression in Vietnam, Cambodia and the Middle East.

It is clear from these demands and slogans that International Women's Day is a day of struggle against imperialism. It is a

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holiday that was started by workers in struggle against the whole system of exploitation and oppression. It was never meant to be a day for the politicians and reformers to preach "class peace."

To celebrate this working class holiday, a wide variety of activities are being planned throughout the country, including a mass demonstration at the United Nations building in New York. The U.N. had declared 1975 to be "International Women's Year" and the question of who is to blame for the oppression of women is being hotly debated within that international organization. We are calling on men and women, workers and oppressed nationalities and on all progressive people to unite in this march and voice condemnation of the imperialist system which is the cause of war, hunger and oppression in the world today.

In opposition to these activities, another series of events

being initiated by the revisionist Communist Party in alliance with various Democratic Party politicians, feminists and lesbian organizations and Trotskyists, like the Socialist Workers Party and Youth Against War and Fascism (YAWF). These actions have not been planned to oppose imperialism or its policies. Rather, they are planned to bring women "into the system." But there can be no hope for a decent way of life for women or men within this system. To the revisionist CPUSA, Women's Day is just another day for an exchange of niceties and for proposing legislation to the Congress.

In place of a program of anti-imperialist struggle they have put forth a statement which says: "We are committed to "a free expression of our sexuality" and the "right to define family and community as we choose." Why do these so-called "communists" make no mention of imperialism? Why do they put forth "free expression of sexual-

ity" and "defining" themselves as a solution to oppression rather than revolutionary struggle? Because in fact they are not really communists. And their march is not a march for the liberation of women. It is a march to push reformism, counter-culture and accommodation with this oppressive system.

That is why there can be no wavering in our militant opposition to this march of opportunists.

## ROAD TO EMANCIPATION

The road to emancipation for all oppressed women lies with their unity with the working class movement and their determination to struggle against imperialism. In that struggle it is the working and minority women that must take the lead. It is a struggle that must be thorough-going and carried through in a revolutionary way. It must also be a struggle based upon the needs of the great majority of women who suffer the most under this system—that is the working class and minority women. While the women's struggle encompasses wide sections of women from different classes and strata, it cannot be led to victory by narrow feminism, reformism or other anti-working class ideologies or organizations.

Women's Day is also an international day of struggle, uniting people of all countries together with common aims. The U.N. rally will demonstrate this international solidarity with the oppressed peoples around the world. While we march here, millions of people will be holding rallies and celebrations in countries around the world. Especially in socialist countries such as China and Albania, millions of people will be celebrating the great victories of socialism and the great strides forward made for women wherever exploitation has been abolished.

## IN THE THIRD WORLD

In the Third World countries as well as elsewhere, IWD will be celebrated as a day of militant opposition to the two imperialist superpowers, the U.S. and the Soviet Union, whose continued efforts to dominate the Third World and to contend with each other for hegemony have meant increased hardships on people everywhere.

In other capitalist countries, the working class is taking the lead in building IWD as a day of class struggle and a day to oppose the threat of war and fascism.

Based upon broad participation and leadership of working people, we are building a day of struggle and solidarity with the nations, countries and peoples of the world who are uniting and standing together firmly in opposition to imperialism. This is the spirit that International Women's Day 1975 represents.

LONG LIVE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

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