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Atlanta Anti-Klan Conference Issues Unanimous Call

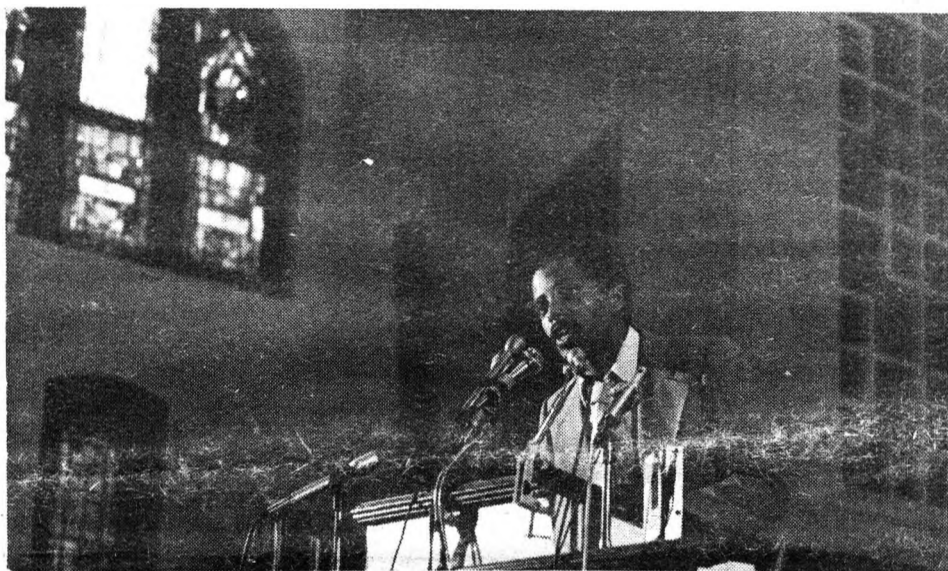
Demonstrate Against the KKK - Feb. 2 in Greensboro

ATLANTA, Ga.—Over 300 people at the recent anti-Klan conference here unanimously called for a national demonstration on February 2 in Greensboro, North Carolina. The conference held on December 14-15, was moved up ahead of schedule by its sponsors, IFCO (Interreligious Foundation for Community Organization) and the SCLC (Southern Christian Leadership Conference), because of the November 3 Greensboro massacre of five comrades from the Communist Workers Party. Progressive people came from all over the Eastern seaboard and as far away as Texas and Ohio, spurred on by the new wave of KKK attacks, especially the murder of the Communist Workers Party 5.

scratches the surface of the deep pool of anti-Klan, anti-capitalist sentiment in the country.

Addressing the group gathered at historic Ebenezer Baptist Church (once Dr. Martin Luther King's church) on Friday, speaker after speaker talked about the new wave of Klan attacks and the need to beat it back. One of the clearest analyses of the Klan was given by Anne Braden (Director of SOC—Southern Organizing Committee for Economic and Racial Justice). "We have not defeated the ideology from which the Klan grows", she said; "We must expose 'reverse discrimination' as a hoax

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Deep Pool of Anti-Klan Sentiment Just Beginning To Be Tapped

The Communist Workers Party and the Committee to Avenge the CWP 5, progressive lawyers from groups like the National Lawyers Guild and independents, students from Alabama, North Carolina, Florida and Georgia, clergymen, workers from Birmingham and Greensboro, the Farm Labor Organizing Committee from Ohio and members of trade unions in the auto, steel, textile and electrical industries came to the conference.

The broadness of the forces at the conference reflects the U.S. people's widespread concern over renewed KKK and Nazi attacks. The conference just



top: Phil Thompson, CWP Central Committee member, speaking to the 1st session of the conference at historic Ebenezer Baptist Church. bottom: Almost every workshop passed resolutions specifically dealing with the Greensboro murders and the need to avenge the 5. Leading this one is Anne Braden, at center, director of the Southern Organizing Committee for Economic and Racial Justice.



Shah Flees to Panama ...P.6

Kansas Aircraft Machinists Ground Red-Baiting Attacks

WICHITA, Kansas—On Saturday, November 17, 40 Machinists Union workers shut down the well-laid plans of district and local misleaders to whip up anti-communist hysteria and expel John Spearman, a key steward from the union. Defending the rank and file's leading fighter, John, Cessna Aircraft's workers marched into the regular meeting of International Association of Machinist (IAM) Local 774. They challenged and beat back the organized and vicious red-baiting campaign, a campaign personally orchestrated by Inter-

national IAM President and self-proclaimed "socialist" William Winspisinger. But at the first hint of struggle, the cowardly hacks abandoned the agenda and adjourned the meeting over the loud protests of the workers.

John Spearman, the main and immediate target of the campaign, is an aircraft worker and steward who supports the Communist Workers Party. He helped organize Machinists United for a Strong, Militant and Democratic Union, a rank and file caucus, and an influential city-wide shop newspaper, *Hammer*

House. Machinists United, which spearheaded the fight against the red-baiting on November 17, has won a strong fighting reputation by organizing day-to-day struggles ranging from breaking open welded fire exits and combatting sexual harassment in the plant, to protesting police brutality involving Cessna workers. Local 774, which represents 11,000 workers in two major Cessna plants, is fast becoming the pacesetter among the working class in Wichita.

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Willie Classen Murdered in the Ring

On November 28 at 7:42 p.m., Willie Classen was murdered in a boxing ring. Yes, murdered. Not by his opponent Wilfred Scypion, but by the greedy promoter Gil Clancy, the New York State Boxing Commission and the whole wretched monopoly capitalist system. Gil Clancy and the Bob Arum-Don King team work bloody hand in hand with the Boxing Commissions to run the entire fight game in the country and most of the world.

These blood-thirsty promoters stage mismatches like the Classen-Scypion fight and turn boxing into something like Roman gladiators battling to the death. While they raked in bundles of cash from the fight, Willie Classen's share of the purse wasn't even enough to bury him.

It's not hard to see why Willie Classen, a young Puerto Rican man with children, would take such a road in his life. For him, just like many

other national minorities and poor people, boxing was the only way he saw out of poverty. Historically in this country the job market has been thin as paper for minority youth. But in an economic crisis like this irreversible one capitalism is in now, that market is virtually zero. Willie knew that \$3.00 an hour in a dead end job

for the rest of his life couldn't feed and clothe his family for long. He thought there was no future for him without boxing. Willie didn't know about socialism. If he did, he would have had a real fighting chance—a fighting chance out of the ring to fight his real enemies, the capitalist class. □

Concerts of Death "Why Did They Die?"

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 3rd—"Why did she have to die?" cried an anguished Danny Burns. His wife, Connie, 18 year old mother of 2, was crushed to death along with 10 others at the Riverfront Coliseum. 18,000 young people like Danny and Connie boarded buses to come see the grand daddy of hard-rock, the WHO, in concert. Most were high school students, bored with lousy schools, facing high unemployment and drugs. For them, concerts are the only high point. Hard, angry music like the WHO is an outlet for their pent-up frustrations.

Why did she have to die? Record companies and promoters, hit by the capitalists' recession, are looking for a quick buck. They promote "festival seating" where most tickets go for the same price, and then whoever gets in first gets the best seats. This way, tickets are more easily sold out. And then by

minimizing staff (like ticket collectors) to cut costs, their profits can be maximized. This is what led to a music hall of death.

These profiteers work hand in hand with the local city officials and blame the 11 deaths on the youths themselves by calling them "animals". They say the solution is "crowd-control" and more security in order to cover up and allow them to continue their rip-off operations. "Crowd-control" just means more youth getting clubbed and busted heads. One New York promoter Ron Delsner stated, "...people beat each other up every night at Shea Stadium, and a boxer died at Madison Square Garden last week. This is America" (*New York Times*, Dec. 5 1979). That's why we need a socialist America where our young people's lives are treasured more precious than gold. □



here, just minutes after the ref supposedly checked him, a fatal punch sent Willie into final coma.

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Thanks For Your Support

In the past month and a half since the assassination of our five comrades by KKK/Nazi/FBI and government agents in Greensboro on November 3, we have received letters of support from many organizations and individuals. We will be printing them in the coming issues of our newspaper. Meanwhile, we would like to thank the following and others for their messages of solidarity: Daniel Berrigan, National Lawyers Guild, Pan African Congress (PAC), Zimbabwe African National Union (ZANU), and Zimbabwe African People's Union (ZAPU).

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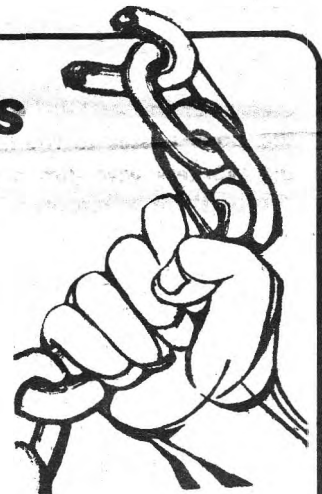
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HAWAII LABOR SHOWDOWN ENDS

HONOLULU, Hi.—On December 3rd, 7,700 public workers ended their 6-week strike. The biggest labor showdown since the 40's brought the island to a standstill. Garbage workers led a move to fight for a \$240/month increase, but a \$100 monthly increase was ratified.

CARPENTER RIPS OPEN UNSAFE NUKE CONSTRUCTION

LONG ISLAND, N.Y.—After testifying that the nuclear plant he's helping to build is unsafe, John Everett was dismissed by the carpenter union business agent—his father—from his shop steward position. Everett and another worker exposed the company's shortcut construction methods, defending an anti-nuke activist charged with trespassing at the Shoreham nuclear plant. Everett said, "My life is at stake if Shoreham goes into operation".

COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS HANG UP ON MA BELL

WASHINGTON, D.C.—34,000 communications workers at Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Co. from all over Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, and Washington, D.C., voted 4 to 1 to go on strike starting December 17. The national Communication Workers of America (CWA) bureaucrats are endorsing a strike only at C&P, but workers at New York Bell have pledged to hit the lines too if the strike gets into the New Year.

TRANSIT WORKERS ON THE MOVE

NEW YORK CITY/CHICAGO—Not wanting to blemish his perfect track record, Carter intervened into another railway strike on Dec. 14, forcing the Long Island Rail Road workers back to work. Meanwhile, on Dec. 17, the Chicago transit workers' first all-out strike has paralyzed the city.

BART STRIKERS BATTLE FOR MONTHS

SAN FRANCISCO, Ca.—From July 1 to November 21, Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) workers battled to save their hard-won cost of living allowance. Before their contract fight ended, S.F. saw mass sickouts and suspensions; a five day sit-in by strikers complete with an airlift of supplies; a media blitzkrieg; millions of dollars of suits and countersuits topped off by slimy Senator Haya-kawa calling for a federal investigation of the strikers. Going without strike authorization and strike pay, confused about public support, the workers reluctantly voted to go back to work with the militants vowing to revenge the sellout.



Comrade Jim Waller, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Workers Party, was one of the Communist Workers Party 5 martyrs murdered by KKK/Nazi/FBI and government agents in Greensboro on November 3. In the summer of 1978 Jim led a strike at the Cone Granite textile mill, and as a result the union membership swelled from 15 to 200 in one week. Because the workers loved and respected him, they elected Jim president of the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union (ACTWU) Local 1113T even after the ACTWU bureaucrats collaborated with the Cone bosses to fire him. During Christmas 1978 the workers gave Jim a gift and a letter, and Jim wrote them a response. Both were printed in the *Granite Workers Update*, the ACTWU local newsletter. We are reprinting them as a holiday greeting to all our readers.

Holiday Messages

Letter to Jim Waller from second shift Cutting.....

LET CHRISTMAS HAPPEN IN YOUR HEART

Every year at Christmas, one of the pick-up women or one of the fixers comes around and takes up a collection for the bossman's Christmas present. But what do the bossmen do for us workers? Nothing! So this year the cutters on second shift decided to take up a collection for a Christmas present for you. Just to let you know that the cutters are behind you and the union. All the cutters on second shift gave but two and a few of the pick-up gave. All that gave for your present are not going to give the bossmen anything. We wanted to let John and Jimmy know the way we feel about the way they do us workers. We thought this would be a good way to do it.

Merry Christmas.

from Second Shift Cutting Department

Jim's response.....

Fellow Workers and Friends,

Thank you for a very beautiful card and useful gift! It was an honor to receive it and it serves as another very important lesson to me. This is what I am mainly grateful for--what you have taught me over the years. You said it all in the card. The line I especially liked was how the cutters are behind me and the union. It is through the union that we can best improve our lives and keep our self-respect. We've built a lot in a short period of time. Your Christmas message is another example how we stick together as workers and the workers united will never be defeated. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Before long I hope to be back in the plant to continue the struggle on the inside.

Jim Waller

Louisiana Reader Wants to Fight the Klan

Dear Comrade,

I am not, as of yet, a confirmed communist. However, as an economics minor in college I centered my studies on Karl Marx's "Das Kapital," "Manifesto," and "Grundrisse." I saw that Karl Marx had many answers to today's deplorable conditions.

I have never given much thought to the Ku Klux Klan, even though I am from the South. However when a Klan unit here in my own home town praised those KKK and Nazi killers as heroes, I became sick to my stomach. No local leader even countered this slur from the "den" of the "Knights of the Ku Klux Klan." Our local hooded cowards told us about all the violence that you create, yet the only violence we hear of is that done by the KKK. These people do all sorts of hideous acts, demonstrations, and rallies, which seem to win the support of the police (who are probably

members of the KKK themselves). I am hated by them because I am Catholic and my grandmother was a Mexican-American, which they feel makes me an alien in my own country. I saw a group (or "gang") of them out spreading their filth on Halloween night, and when I passed by them they called me a "Nigger" (because of my dark complexion) and told me to "go back to the zoo." This last event prompted me to write to you. I got your address off of a copy of one of your posters appearing in a U.P.I. article in our local paper.

Also, do you have a branch of your organization or a similar type group near me? If so, please ask them to write me or maybe I could write them? Thank you very much. Do you take contributions for your work?

Sincerely,
A.J.
Louisiana

Beware of the Witchhunters at the Door

S.F. Chronicle—Hidden Fascist Exposed

Dear CWP,

From Nov. 26 to Nov. 30, the Hearst-owned San Francisco *Chronicle* featured a 5 part series of front-page articles written by an ex-Symbionese Liberation Army member. The article was prefaced by the *Chronicle* editorial comment. "Hers was the first real life account of the erratic lives, jealousies, blood-lust schemings and persistent delusions of those ill-fated, self-appointed revolutionaries."

While terrorism of the SLA type was nothing but petty bourgeois frenzy and infatuation completely isolated from the masses, we could not help but ask why the article was printed right after the Greensboro assassination of the 5 CWP members.

It was no accident: The article was intended as a cover up for the Greensboro assassinations. Like the New York *Times*, the S.F. *Chronicle* has been portraying the Greensboro assassinations as fights between 2 "extremist" groups. By sensationalizing a terrorist group like the SLA, the capitalist media is trying

to shift the blame of the murders from the U.S. Government, the FBI and their lackeys the KKK/Nazi to the Party, that the Party, like the SLA, "provoked" the violence through its "violent rhetoric." No doubt, these hidden fascists are secretly rejoicing at seeing the cold-blooded murder of 5 communists.

Comradely,
A S.F. Reader

P.S. Enclosed is a donation to the "Committee to Avenge the CWP 5."

Detroit: Everybody's Talking About CWP

Dear CWP:

The Greensboro murders grabbed the attention of the masses. Some workers who know the Party called that night when they saw it on TV and came right over to share their anger. This was where we decided to have a demonstration at the Federal Building that next Thursday. Everywhere we handed out leaflets the

workers eagerly grabbed them up. Comments like, "yeah, the government is always behind these things" were common. Workers who saw us on TV came up and asked about communism. The Party member who was interviewed on TV works in a small shop outside the city limits. The day after the press conference, one of the white workers liter-

ally came running up to him at break time and said, "I don't know what you stand for, but I am really against the Klan. What are you communists about, anyway?" The Detroit workers, with a long history of oppression and confrontation with the state absorbed the Party's analysis that it was a planned government attack.

C.B.
Hamtramck, Mi.

N.C. Witch Hunt: Job Firings Target Class Leaders

GREENSBORO, N.C.—Signe Waller reported back to work, 7:00 a.m. Monday morning, two weeks after her husband, Jim Waller, was assassinated at the Communist Workers Party anti-Klan demonstration in Greensboro. As she walked through the clatter of spinning frames at Collins & Aikman's yarn processing mill, one worker after another, black and white, came up to her, warmly expressing their sorrow at her husband's murder. "I'm really sorry about what happened," one worker said, "but most of all I'm glad you came back." But as soon as her supervisor spotted her, she was taken into the Personnel Manager's Office. Nervously, the Personnel Manager said, "We are releasing you. We think you are incompatible with the workforce here."

Indignantly, Signe shot back, "What do you mean? How many workers have you talked to?"

"Well, because of all the advertisement around the things that have happened, some of the employees are apprehensive."

Angrily staring at his face, Signe said, "Your problem is that I'm too compatible with the workforce." Signe then went into the women's restroom, leaving the supervisor behind, and gathered with a group of fellow workers.

They were angry and sympathetic. Burning with years of injustices, one black woman said, "This is upside down! It's all screwed up. They have Klans working here and they don't fire them, but fire you."

The next day Signe and the Communist Workers Party put out a leaflet attacking the company's action. The company is so uptight that, in response to one sentence in the leaflet about the filthy bathrooms in the mill and the lack of any place to sit during breaks, they immediately put a clean up and repair crew to work redoing the bathrooms.

Wave of Attacks Follows Nov. 3 Murders

Signe's firing is but one in a whole wave of firings, suspensions and harassment that has followed in the wake of the calculated assassinations of the CWP 5 in Greensboro on Nov. 3rd

*Dale Sampson, widow of the martyred CWP member, Bill Sampson, was fired from Burlington Mills for her doctor's note after her absence following the Nov. 3 assassination.

*Dori Blitz of Martinsville, Va., was "indefinitely suspended" from her job at Budd Trailer Co. for

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FROM THE MASSES TO THE MASSES

Our Readers Speak Out!

There still remain any number of questions concerning the killings of anti-Klan demonstrators in Greensboro by Nazi and Klan members three weeks ago. Five are dead, one critically injured is recovering, and the 14 arrested in the massacre are free, if bonded out. Bond for these people is questionable in such circumstances, the varying amounts established for those apprehended at the scene, but we'll bypass that point for the moment. Murder is murder and how the courts are able to distinguish between culpability of the 14 arrested, varying bonds from \$4,000 to \$50,000, is in itself an omen which is now being felt locally.

Those who were killed were committed communists, dedicated to the violent overthrow of our governmental system. They were convinced, as were their compatriots, that the only way to change the system was through extreme measures. And so their rhetoric followed this course.

But after the deaths, the extraordinary violence, there are now the makings of a witch hunt of those who supported and were committed to the aims of the anti-Klan demonstrators, the Communist Workers Party.

The ramifications of the massacre are taking hold locally and they are not the kind of reaction that should be applauded in the aftermath of a tragedy.

What we have now is Durham County Hospital suspending Tom Clark, without pay, because of his participation in the funeral march for the slain five. And Paul Alston, direc-

tor of Orange-Chatham Comprehensive Health Services, pressing Dr. Jean Sharpe Chapman to resign her pediatric position because of her vocal support for the slain Communist Workers Party members and their goals.

Alston, a Negro, says that Dr. Sharpe's political views might be a hinderance to the aims of the clinic. But the facts are that Dr. Sharpe has been on the staff nearly five years and was one of the earliest physicians hired by the program.

The ugliness of the Greensboro massacre is enough. To carry on the Klan's feud as Durham County Hospital administrators and Chatham County's Alston are doing, is to make the aftermath of the killings a setup for a witch hunt similar to the McCarthyism of the 50's. No one should be routed out, but especially it shouldn't be comrades of the dead.

Let their political views be heard, their laments for the dead. That's as it should be, regardless of their aims or viewpoints. Suppressing their rights through suspensions and threats of job loss substantiates and certifies their claims that the "system" is corrupt and oppressive.

In fact, it is when officials take such action against dissidents, the whole point of this country, this government, is to allow the free expression of opinion by its inhabitants. If that isn't the case, and Durham Hospital and Chatham's Alston can by whim, change that fundamental right, then it is time for all of us to beware of the witch hunters on the doorstep.



Dr. Jean Sharpe Chapman, marching here at the November 11 funeral for the Communist Workers Party 5, refused to yield to the coercion to give up her job as a pediatrician, because of her support for the Party. insert: Outside the Break the Chains Bookstore in Durham, N.C., a pig photographer gets his picture taken.

3 Swat Teams Mobilized to Oust Local 22's Best Steward

MARTINSVILLE, Va.—The tranquility of this small furniture and textile town was shattered on November 10. The local sheriff declared a state of emergency. An army of 150 local police and state troopers, in full riot gear and backed up by 3 SWAT teams, and FBI agents stationed themselves near the headquarters of Teamsters Union Local 22.

The focus of this hysteria? . . . a union meeting of the workers from the Budd Co. trailer plant. The misleaders of Local 22, in cahoots with the Company and the state, were planning to shove through a resolution to dismiss Dori Blitz, a worker at Budd and supporter of the Communist Workers Party, from her shop steward position. A week earlier, they had circulated wild rumors that CWP was going to "stage a violent showdown" with the Klan and the Teamsters in a "repeat performance of the Greensboro Massacre". This was an attempt to scare the workers, surrounding them with shotgun-toting state troopers. Knowing they couldn't handle the workers, at the last minute the bureaucrats cancelled the meeting. Instead, the Executive Board of the local met in secret and swiftly voted to remove Dori as shop steward.

Budd Workers—A Daily Headache for the Bosses

A year ago, the local at Budd was a do-nothing company union. In 1977, it had only 3 shop stewards who filed six grievances the whole year. But 8 months ago, under the Party's leadership, Dori helped lead the rank and file kick out the do-nothing hacks, and fought for an elected shop steward in every department. Twenty-three new stewards were elected. (WV, Oct. 15, 1979, "Hacks Stay Off Our T.U.R.F.!") The Budd workers have become a daily headache for the bosses.

In November several company stooges started a petition to dismiss Dori as shop steward because of her "communist activity". On the Monday after the murders of the Communist Workers Party 5, one worker who had gotten hold of the petition said, "I'm not going to sign this—it supports the Klan!" and ripped it to pieces. Even workers who are sucked into the anti-Communist hysteria admitted to a local newspaper that, "she's one hell of a shop steward—the best we've had." The company tried to isolate Dori by taking her off the floor and sticking her on "yard work" outside by herself.

Six days after the state of emergency, Dori was "indefinitely suspended" for "publicly disparaging the company". The following week, 250 Budd workers were laid off.

Several stewards who have taken the lead in the rank and file struggles and openly supported Dori have been threatened with their suspension as stewards as well. They have also found the FBI parking in front of their houses. But workers keep coming up to Dori and others she works with, asking questions like "What did you mean about the government and the FBI having helped assassinate those people in Greensboro?" One worker who had picked her up and went to the cancelled meeting with her faced off some workers who had been swept into the hysteria, telling them, "If you mess with me, I'll kill you. And if you mess with her, I'll kill you!" Another worker came up to Dori and said, "You may not believe it right now, but you have more support than you know."

Dori is continuing to organize the fight against the layoffs and speedup of the remaining workers at Budd. She has filed a grievance and appealed her firing, which may go all the way up to the National Labor Relations Board. Budd Co. hasn't see the last of Dori yet. □

Editorial

Smash Attempts to Redbait Communist Workers Party

Opportunists Run Interference for KKK, Nazis & Bourgeoisie

The Nov. 3 murders in Greensboro were the most vicious attack against communists in U.S. history. They represent not only a concerted assault on the Communist Workers Party, but an attack against all U.S. workers and oppressed people.

Now in the aftermath of the assassinations comes another wave of attacks—the firings and redbaiting campaigns against Communist Workers Party supporters in North Carolina and across the country. This in a sense is as vicious as the murders. It is another form of assassination, another way to remove leaders from among the working class.

The histories of the five murdered comrades read like an encyclopedia of the U.S. people's struggles of the 60's and 70's.

Jim Waller, Communist Workers Party Central Committee member, was president of Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union (ACTWU) Local 1113-t, national president of the Trade Union Educational League (TUEL), and a folk-hero among the masses in North Carolina. A medical doctor, he helped organize the Lincoln Collective of radical and progressive doctors in New York City in the 60's, and headed the medical team in the Wounded Knee struggle.

Cesar Cauce helped lead the Duke Hospital Organizing Committee where he headed the union drive newsletter. In 1970 he organized a mass campaign to condemn the bombing of Cambodia at Duke University.

Since Mike Nathan's murder, progressive doctors nationwide have been writing testimonies of their respect for him. He was the chief organizer for an airlift of medical supplies to Zimbabwe and helped collect over \$100,000 for the national liberation movements of Zimbabwe. ZANU's (Zimbabwe African National Union) chief representative in North America personally visited Mike Nathan's widow to express their grief.

Bill Sampson led the White Oak Organizing Committee at Cone Mill's largest plant. He was ten days away from being president of ACTWU Local 1391 when the sure election victory was stolen by International trusteeship.

Sandy Smith was a founding member of the Youth Organization for Black Unity (YOBU), an organization made up of the advanced elements from the Black Liberation Movement. She was chairperson of the Revolution Organizing Committee at Cone's Revolution textile mill.

The Communist Workers Party supporters hit by the new attacks are also respected, recognized mass leaders—Jose Calderon, a leading Party member in Colorado, is a folk-hero in the region. Loved and respected by the Chicano people, he is known for leading the fight for bilingual education, for the rights of undocumented workers, and organizing the workers at the Montfort and Longmont meatpacking plants.

John Spearman, International Asso-

ciation of Machinists (IAM) Local 774 shop steward in Kansas, is the target of a redbaiting campaign.

Cathy Scolieri, president of International Union of Electrical Workers (IUE) Local 853 in Oakland, California is being charged with violating the Constitution and expulsion from the union for her support for the Communist Workers Party by a few backward workers with the aid of the International and the company.

Dori Blitz, Teamsters Local 22 shop steward, was redbaited to such a degree that the sheriff called a state of emergency and 150 state troopers were mobilized for the union meeting where she was to be ousted.

Clarence Dowdy, former member of Dodge Revolutionary Union Movement (DRUM) and long-time United Auto Workers (UAW) activist at the Dodge Main plant was attacked by the general foreman for agitating about the CWP 5 in the plant. He (along with the foreman) was fired.

Rand Manzella, Bill Sampson's co-worker and fellow organizer at the White Oak mill in Greensboro was fired from his job and repeatedly harassed by the pigs.

These comrades, including the five Communist Workers Party martyrs are among the best the U.S. peoples' struggles have produced in the last decade. They are the unchallenged leaders of the U.S. working class.

The redbaiting against them is more than an attack on their political beliefs. It is an attempt to get rid of the actual leaders of U.S. workers and all the oppressed. The attacks on the valiant Stearns, Kentucky, miners' struggle were just the beginning. Here redbaiting of TUEL members and Communist Workers Party supporters paved the way for the defeat of the strike.

The redbaiting attacks directed by the highest circles of the U.S. bourgeoisie to split and misdirect the masses are not just from the KKK, Nazis, the company and the FBI alone. The chauvinists, anti-communist Social Democrats (like *In These Times*) and their like in the civil rights movement, assorted political speculators and so-called "socialists"/"communists" totally incompetent and isolated from the masses but fearful of the strength and spectacular growth of the Party run interference for them. They mouth the KKK/Nazi's defense that the Communist Workers Party provoked assassinations through our "violent rhetoric" and anti-Klan activities. They become the better defenders of the bourgeoisie than the bourgeoisie themselves.

This new wave of redbaiting is becoming a witch hunt, echoing the days of Joe McCarthy. But the Communist Workers Party is fighting it tooth and nail, standing by our political principles and accomplishments, not buckling under like the Communist Party, U.S.A. did, losing their nerve in

the battle with the bourgeoisie. We will not hand over leadership of the trade unions and the movements of workers and oppressed people to the labor aristocrats and the anti-communist sham socialists.

As imperialism dies worldwide, the bourgeoisie in every capitalist country are looking to each other for a way out. The U.S. bourgeoisie cannot get out of their economic recession and political crisis of confidence. They twist tighter in their own noose as the workers awaken to the need for their own class future.

Thus the plagued bourgeoisie is constantly testing out different forms of dual tactics—the new S-1 Bill to streamline their control, the anti-Iran media hype to capture the masses with patriotism and split them along nationality and race lines, and the new wave of redbaiting attacks. Other new forms of attacks slide in under the banner of unity, but are riddled with two-faced, backroom deals. These secret Klan supporters like Anthony Lewis of the *New York Times* claim to unite with the progressive masses but blame "violent rhetoric" for America's ills.

This period is like the replay of the Weimar Republic which ushered in fascism in Germany through the blocking action of these opportunists. By attempting to isolate and eliminate communist influence among the masses, they are attempting to destroy the most effective force against the Nazis, KKK and the bourgeoisie.

In 1932 it was Germany's Social Democratic government that banned and dissolved the Red Front, while permitting the Storm Troops. The "socialist" parties and labor aristocrat parties in Western Europe placed the war on communism in the forefront. Only the fascists rivalled them in offering their services to the bourgeoisie for the slaying of revolutionary workers and communists.

That's why the appeasement line is so dangerous. Those who block, undermine communist leadership objectively work hand in glove with the KKK/Nazis.



They only pump blood into the murderous bourgeoisie, as the Communist Party, U.S.A. showed after World War II. In a prelude to the McCarthy era, the "C" PUSA actually proposed, signed and supported the clause now in most union constitutions forbidding communists from membership. In the name of trade union neutrality—no politics in the unions—communists hid in the unions, but the bourgeoisie's Democratic Party was there. And capitulation to the union misleaders snowballed as a result of this attempt to appease the anti-communists.

These appeasers are spineless cowards who knuckle under to any pressure of the bourgeoisie to redbait. These opportunists are the most isolated creatures on earth, since they cannot draw strength from the masses. They have to live as speculators, as the most unscrupulous double-dealers. They're the ones who turn under attacks. They are the turncoats of the people's movement.

This new wave of firings, redbaiting and attacks has very profound implications for people in the U.S. today. In the wake of the Greensboro murders, the Communist Workers Party has become like a lightning rod, drawing the fire of all the attacks from the right. People like Jose, John, Cathy, Dori, Clarence and Rand represent an entire stratum of today's leaders and today's struggles. An attack on them is an attack on all.

There are only two roads to go on this new wave of redbaiting and attacks—either to stand opposed to the attacks or to help the bourgeoisie usher in fascism.

This is a *most crucial time* in history to resist these attacks. Because this time if we can counter the concentrated attacks of the bourgeoisie, if we can stop them, then the cause of the working class and oppressed nationalities will certainly prevail. □



Shah Flees to Panama— Victory for the Iranian People



Panama: Demonstrators dragging a United States flag in Panama during protests against the Shah's presence in the country.

ZIMBABWE: IMPLEMENT THE CEASE FIRE AGREEMENT!

Seven years of heroic armed struggle by the Patriotic Front finally forced the British colonialist and the puppet Muzorewa regime to the negotiations table and agree to a cease-fire. After tough negotiations, agreement on a new constitution and elections for a new government ruled by the Zimbabwean people had in the main been reached. Lord Soames, an old time colonialist, arrived in Salisbury on Dec. 12 to supervise the cease-fire.

Peace Talk, A Fruit of Military Victory

The peace talk took place only after the Patriotic Front had already liberated the majority of Zimbabwe. *New York Times* reported that the Muzorewa forces have been forced to cede day-to-day control of many of the tribal areas (where two third of the population resides) to the Front forces. If there is a free election—without harassment from the South African troops, mercenaries, and armed white reactionary population—it is inevitable that the Patriotic Front will definitely win.

The peace talk came about also because of the strong support given by the African people and countries especially the Front line states, to the Patriotic Front. The African people and countries will not take the old imperialist and colonialist racist policies any longer. They openly demanded Britain resolve the situation (at the last Commonwealth meeting held in Lusaka).

Britain and Puppet Muzorewa Scared

For the past 14 weeks, the Patriotic Front had been very patient in dealing with all the nonsense parliamentary discussions the British used as a stalling tactic. The British tried to avoid discussing the heart of the matter: What will happen to the forces of both sides during the transition period?

British and the puppet regime are scared stiff about the Patriotic Front's tremendous influence. They proposed 14 assembly points to restrict the Front's movement and contact with the masses—especially those in the cities. It is aimed at weakening the Front politically and militarily. The Patriotic Front finally agreed to the compromise of 16 assembly points with the assurance that Lord Soames would raise the number when necessary. Soames is also expected to lift the ban on political activities by parties in the cities that support the Front so that the election campaign can begin.

Concretely, the cease fire agreement will provide the following favorable conditions towards the final liberation of Zimbabwe:

**The Rhodesian fighter and bomber aircraft would be grounded from the first day of the cease-fire. Carrigan had to assure that the air force would be monitored by the 1,200 Commonwealth forces, who are supposed to be neutral (Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, and Kenya). This makes it

easier for the Front forces and 200 thousand refugees to move back to Zimbabwe from front line states such as Mozambique and Zambia.

**Britain had to assure that "there will be no external involvement in Rhodesia" after the British governor arrives. It means the withdrawal of estimated 4,000 South African troops serving the Muzorewa forces, and mercenaries operating as a private army for the puppet regime. The British government will be responsible for any intervention from South Africa (if the Patriotic Front wins the elections).

Arm Struggle Will Bring Total Liberation

Knowing how slimy and sinister the British colonialists are, the Patriotic Front moved very deliberately in unity every step of the peace talk. It was necessary and correct for the Front to use their victory in the battlefield to force concessions from Britain and Muzorewa's regime in the diplomatic area. The Front stands firmly behind their belief that "The Zimbabwean people will not lay down their arms, will not succumb to what the British want. We will fight them, to the last Zimbabwean." Concretely, the cease fire agreement will provide the following favorable conditions towards the final liberation of Zimbabwe. □

The Shah was forced to flee to the resort island of Contadora in Panama on Dec. 15. This was a great victory for the Iranian people!

As Iran's Foreign Minister Ghotbzadeh said, the Shah's departure shows that, "the United States has retreated one step and we have shown to the whole world that the dictator and the criminal like the Shah comes to the point that there is no place for him to live really and it takes the United States nearly three weeks to find a place for him even by its persuasion and power."

The Panamanian people also do not want the Shah. From the day the Shah landed in Panama, students have been demonstrating and demanding that he leave the country.

Iran Will Try the U.S. Foreign Policy

The Iranian government will set up an international panel to "review the dossier of crimes by the U.S. government" in Iran since 1953. This panel

will be composed of independent and free personalities of the world and Iran along with the cooperation of all anti-imperialists and anti-Zionist groups.

Ayatollah Khomeini rejected recent calls from the United Nations Security Council and the International Court of Justice to release the hostages.

Instead, the Iranian government put forth two demands to resolve the issue. First, "the wealth of the Shah should be returned to Iran," and second, "An international tribunal—should try the crimes of the Shah which have been committed in Iran." This international tribunal, different from the international panel, shall be appointed by the United Nations and be binding on the U.S. and other countries.

Mr. Ghotbzadeh also announced that the hostages will be visited soon by an international delegation of clergies before Christmas. This will expose the U.S. government's lies that the hostages were mistreated. It will also help relieve some of the worries of the hostages' families and win more favorable international public opinion for Iran. □

Can U.S. Starve the Iranians?

Secretary of State Vance started a tour of Europe last week to rally support for a trade embargo against Iran, as the Carter government prepare to step up economic retaliation against Iran.

Minimally, officials said, the U.S. wants Western European countries and Japan to buy less Iranian oil and to cooperate with Washington in freezing Iranian funds. The maximum program the U.S. government wants is to push a full-scale trade embargo against Iran, possibly backed up by an American naval blockade.

The crucial question is can the U.S. starve the Iranians? The answer is absolutely NOT.

The Iranian economy, although it has some confusion and problems, is in an excellent state. The workers' morale is at an all-time high. Tremendous savings have been accumulated by cutting down the cost of supporting the dictator Shah. The oil revenue of \$27 billion a year alone can take care of most of the expenses.

The pay of many Iranian workers has doubled since the first of the year, while their rents have been cut in half. A worker at a machine stamping plant said, "I am making more money now than I ever did in my life." Although the inflation rate is around 30% a year, the workers' living standard has improved tremendously since the revolution.

At the same time, the average salary of a manager has been cut in half. Now, maximum pay for managers is \$2,850 a month at government-run operations—quite a change from the days

of the Shah. Records show that one executive at the big Behshahr Industrial Group was paid \$120,000 in 1978, plus a year-end bonus of \$480,000. This cut of managers' salaries is a big saving.

Today, workers in Iran also participate in management decisions while top managers have moved into smaller offices and turned the former luxurious offices into nurseries for women workers.

The cost of supporting the head of state Ayatollah Khomeini—is said to be only \$30 a day in contrast to the waste and corruption of the Shah and his family before the revolution.

The Iranian economy has been disrupted temporarily because of the fleeing of top management and technical personnel (especially U.S. and other Western personnel.) Many industries are operating at half of their capacity because the new managers are learning to do the job. Consequently, close to one-third of the workers are out of work. But this is fundamentally different from the capitalist economic crisis of relative over-production where workers can't afford to buy the goods they make and many are permanently unemployed by the stagnated and parasitic economy.

The Iranian economy has tremendous potential to expand because consumer demand is building with the pay increase of workers. That's why the Iranian people will not be starved by any minimum or maximum economic retaliation program of the U.S. □

Storm Warning: DETROIT JOB RIOT

Dear Workers Viewpoint:

Several weeks ago I was looking for a job and I spotted an ad in the paper for a warehouseman's job paying better than \$7/hr. Applications were going to be given out 2 days later starting at 7:30 in the morning. I was laid off from Chrysler and I don't expect to be called back for a good long time, if ever, so you know I was ready to be out there bright and early for that job.

I am a regular reader of *Workers Viewpoint* and a supporter of the Party so I figure I'm pretty well up on the economic situation in this country. But I'll tell you, even I was surprised at what I found there that morning. I got there an hour early, at 6:30, while it was still dark and cold and *already* there were 300 people lined up in front of me. The little sidestreet where the warehouse was looked like downtown at rush hour there were so many cars. White, black, Arab and Chicano workers were streaming from everywhere to get in line.

Right after the employment office doors opened, the line broke and it was a mad rush for the warehouse. 700 people were scrambling for the few applications the company had, climbing over trucks and fences for them. Crates of food were knocked to the ground and trampled. Finally we just took over the whole warehouse as the workers who worked there stepped to the side and looked on in amazement. There was a little looting, but mainly we all gathered in the warehouse in a spontaneous protest for jobs. We stayed even after the boss said there would be no applications taken today.

I've gone with the Party on a few agitation/propaganda teams to the plant gates so I tried to put some of the things I've learned to use there. I got up on some boxes and spoke of how the media would come on TV that night blaming an unruly mob for tearing apart the warehouse. Then I pointed my finger at the boss who was handing out applications and said that it wasn't our fault but was *their* fault and that they better get some jobs for the people or else they're going to see a lot worse than what had just happened. You should have seen the boss... he turned white as a sheet. The workers loved it. He called the police. When they finally got there after an hour, they were afraid to try to disperse the crowd.

The whole incident really struck home how deep this crisis is, what our

class is going through, and what they're ready for. It really hit me how much better prepared *we've* got to be. In light of the situation my agitation was really inadequate. I've vowed to study harder so that I can size up situations like that and bring *revolutionary communist* politics to the workers and turn these spontaneous outbursts into more conscious demonstrations. Now I carry a stack of *Workers Viewpoint* newspapers in my car—boy do I wish I had had them that day. All comrades and friends of the Party should do this. Outbursts like this warehouse riot will become more and more frequent. Training ourselves will enable us to win over waves of these class brothers and sisters to the cause that will free us all forever.

Yours in struggle,
D.D.
Detroit, Michigan



The job riot in Detroit could have happened with these 2,000 Chicagoans who lined up for 300 jobs on the only day applications were given.

Marshall: No Answers for Unemployed

The bourgeoisie is openly admitting that we ain't seen nothin' yet in this recession. The unemployment headcount will reach 10% in 1980 by conservative government estimates.

Having no solution to the economic crisis and unemployment which incite job riots, Carter's labor secretary, Ray Marshall said that the four million "illegal aliens" create a problem which may "reach crisis proportions" if not solved. Yet it is a far stretch of the imagination to blame undocumented workers for the massive layoffs in heavy industry, when they generally don't even get past the door to get these jobs.

Historically, the bourgeoisie has brought in undocumented workers as strike breakers or in the farm industry to reap a quick profit and then kicked them out. To divide the workers, the bourgeoisie is whipping up reactionary sentiment to make a scapegoat for the crisis. But while the Immigration and Naturalization Service announces its plan to concentrate on picking off undocumented workers on the job, the U.S. bourgeoisie is sticking all workers with a criminal wage freeze, demands for more productivity and massive layoffs. □

AS THEY SEE IT...

Baltimore Sun Nov. 14, 1979

—Reflections on Greensboro—

*Oft I sing, for my friends,
When Death's cold form I see.
When I reach my journey's end,
Tell me who will sing for me.*

Carter Stanley

Five persons died in the shooting at an anti-Ku Klux Klan rally in Greensboro, North Carolina this month. Among the dead and injured were some members of the Greensboro medical community—hospital workers and doctors. Some people have labeled the killings a historic "fluke," a confrontation

By Larry Wissow

of extremists searching for a "target of opportunity," an event devoid of political or social significance. Such failure to understand why these "educated" people would tempt violence and put their own lives at risk is even more frightening than that the deaths themselves occurred.

In Greensboro the highway branches, west to the Appalachians, south to Georgia where tobacco gives way to the cotton that feeds Greensboro's mills. Piedmont North Carolina, in the harsh sun of summer or the piercing damp of winter, is a frightened former colony in retreat from the glitter of the New South. First there was tobacco, an entire society run on the line of credit extending from factories in Durham to the toiletless shacks at the end of rutted red lanes. Then came the mills, with their deafening clatter and choking dust, picking up workers and putting them down, so much material for the markets up North. In the piedmont's parochial hatreds and suspicions, industry found easy means to prevent challenge to its wishes, just as before the laws governing tobacco farming preserved control by the cigarette manufacturers.

Now the mills are getting old, and new machines need fewer workers. The big tobacco companies are diversifying elsewhere, hedging their investments. White collar business, universities and hospitals suburbanize the fields, herding the trailer parks and clapboard houses farther into the stands of loblolly pine, offering labor in "dietetics" or "environmental services" alongside the neckties and tight sweaters of the South's new owners.

The old losers are losers again. Poor whites can't afford to bail their children out of bad public schools, blacks still live by and large a separate and semi-equal existence. Far off the interstate and spread out beyond the cities, they stay invisible until a part-time hearse brings them to some Emergency Room—at the Veterans' Hospital or "Mr. Duke's," the Duke University Hospital where a lot of people end up.

Emergency in the piedmont isn't the gunshots and stabbings of the big city Saturday night. More likely it is the cigarette smokers and mill workers blue and gasping, the backcountry mothers in late stages of unattended labor, the yellow burnt-out alcoholics of this "dry" state. It is the sad soul of the state exposed to those who can not look away.

Why does anyone work in a hospital? From ambulance driver to ward clerk, aide to doctor, everyone faces the parade of misery for some need to be involved in the lives of others, to be helped by helping, to be closer to the pulse of emotion. But for some, medicine is more: a window into an unseen side of life, and from that point onward medicine is not enough, a patching of the wounds of diseased society, a part of the disease itself.

The victims of Klan and Nazi bullets in Greensboro were not aging campus radicals looking for a cause to perpetuate their adolescence. To label them

as such is to escape within the selfishness and cynicism of our new age. In various associations they worked to provide health and safety information for rubber and textile workers, they became involved in union organizing, they collected medicine to ship to black southern Africa. While their rhetoric may have cost them friends and made them the targets of violence, their acts show mostly that participatory democracy has come to be radical politics, and that to be quiet is the mark of a good citizen.

Were these friends and friends of friends extremists, alienated, communists, or worse? Was their confrontation with Klansmen and Nazis no more than an inevitable self-annihilation of matter/anti-matter insanities? To say yes is only to credit these slain leaders with having seen through the padding of their education and class standing, to share with those who fired upon them a sense of desperation before the dead end of Southern American society. Sadly, it was the plight of the murderers that stirred the murdered to action.

No individual can claim to be a spokesman or apologist for the slain members of the Worker's Viewpoint Organization, but I need not agree with their politics to share their motivation, to know that they did not deserve to be killed for their beliefs.

I can only testify to their conviction that threats to the rights and freedom of others had to be confronted with personal action and risk. I can only hope that their deaths will not simply stun us into a more bitter resignation, but rather convince us that the struggle for human dignity must become that much more generalized. I, for one, am shocked and shaken in my comfortable ways.

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Turn the Country Upside Down to Avenge the CWP 5

Greensboro Forum Slashes Through Government Intimidation



GREENSBORO, N.C., Dec. 13—The Greensboro forum to commemorate the Communist Workers Party Five was a tremendous success in spite of the intimidation and atmosphere of terror perpetrated by the local Greensboro government, police, FBI and newspapers to stop people from coming.

*Lies leaked to media, creating confusion that there was going to be a CWP demonstration in

the CWP 5) for supposedly poster-ing.

*Cops at A & T told leafleters that "these particular communist leaflets" could not be passed out without permission.

*Attempts made to block the CWP 5 Committee from finding a place for the forum. Lewis Brandon, harassed by the press because he courageously agreed to

But in spite of all this, about 100 people came to take a clear stand against these cold-blooded assassinations. White Oak workers who had fought side by side with Bill came to commemorate their friend's death. A broad audience from all walks of life, young and old came to hear the truth, and seek out why the Communist Workers Party is so hated by the capitalists.

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Winston-Salem the same day of the forum.

*Residents of Morningside interrogated and harassed by the FBI one by one, and told to stay away from the Communist Workers Party if they didn't want their names associated with communists.

*One preacher had windows busted out of his church. Media implied the Communist Workers Party was responsible because he had not agreed to support the Committee.

*Cops arrested people including the widow of Bill Sampson (one of allow the forum at his Uhuru Bookstore.

—Anti-Klan Conf.

allowing the Klan to seem respectable because it is organizing to protect the 'rights' of whites." The arguments of Klan leaders like David Duke (he says he's not anti-black but pro-white) she explained, is the same argument used in the highest circles as in the Bakke and Weber cases.

"Attack On One Is An Attack On All"

"An attack on one is an attack against all," said Phil Thompson, Communist Workers Party Central Committee member. Paraphrasing a famous German saying that came out of the fight against Nazism, Phil said, "First they came for the communists, then they came for the trade unionists, then the Jews and the Catholics, and by that time there was no one left to speak out." Addressing the entire conference, he explained the bourgeoisie's "scapegoat politics"—how they use groups like the KKK to give people false targets to vent their frustration away from the deep economic crisis of the capitalist system.

"Did Nat Turner 'Provoke' The Slavemasters By Fighting The Slave System?"

Before and during the conference,

in informal hotel room meetings and in the hallways of the conference itself there was continuous struggle over whether or not people from all walks of life could be united to fight renewed KKK/Nazi attacks, sharpest in the Nov. 3 massacre. Some argued that the Communist Workers Party should not participate in the conference or that we should take a "low profile" because if we are present then people would not unite with the Communist Workers Party in Greensboro or around the country. The Communist Workers Party is "unpredictable," "provocative" and "sectarian," they said. This is the same lie pushed by the bourgeoisie, that the Communist Workers Party "provoked" the Klan/Nazis, and is defending the Klan/Nazis. This view treats the victim of the crime as the criminals. Did Nat Turner and Harriet Tubman "provoke" the slavemasters by fighting against the slave system? Did Malcolm X, Fred Hampton, Joe Hill, George Jackson "deserve" to be murdered because they spoke out against oppression.

Progressive people spoke out one after another on how to correctly look at this. Anne Braden said that her organization would not join a movement that was based on excluding the Communist

Workers Party because it would weaken the movement and the enemy could split it. This is how they did it in the 50's, she said, when red-baiting took the form of slandering the communists as "crazies."

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Almost every workshop passed resolutions specifically dealing with the Greensboro murders and the need to avenge the five. For example, the legal

strategies workshop drafted two resolutions: One urging the conference to issue a strong call for national legal and financial support for the Greensboro legal cases and the other asking for a vigorous call for a national committee to prosecute all the criminal and civil suits coming out of the Nov. 3 massacre and to administer all money contributed for this. Until the national committee is formed all agreed that Tom Ono, one of the lawyers helping the Communist Workers Party, would coordinate.

The media and the Klan workshop condemned the outrageous reportage and distortions in the press about Klan and anti-Klan activities, especially around the Nov. 3 events—a KKK/Nazi ambush on anti-Klan demonstrators was turned into a "confrontation" between two "fringe" groups. The workshop also called on all organizations, individuals and especially progressive media to report correctly on the fight against the Klan and to immediately publish the conference resolutions and news of the February 2 demonstration.

Resolutions, Real Fruit of Conference, Should Have Been Presented to General Body

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WHO BOOED FIRST LADY

"With them there on the street was the contingent of the Committee to Avenge the Communist Workers Party 5, whose placard read: 'Carter's Human Rights Is Jive.' Their leaflet stated: 'Carter, Kennedy, you're the same; the capitalist crisis you're to blame. Carter, Carter you're a jerk. You send the Klan to stop our work!'"

This was a reference to the November 3rd fatal shooting in Greensboro, N.C. "by an army of 25 KKK/Nazis and FBI agents," according to the Committee, of "five members of the Communist Workers Party. The five were Communist Workers Party leaders on an anti-Klan march.

After the tumultuous session at Salem Methodist, the girl who began the interruption identified herself as a member of the Committee to Avenge the Communist Workers Party 5.

(The Amsterdam News, Dec. 15, 1979)



just knew that something funky had gone down [in Greensboro] and I knew that it was necessary, even though many of my friends said 'hey, don't say anything about it' that it's those people who want to play it safe who create a world of insecurity." People gave him a resounding round of applause. "You have to speak out," he continued.

Lewis Brandon had much pressure on him for allowing the forum to be held at the bookstore. "I was asked one time last week by a reporter why I allowed the Communist Workers Party to use the bookstore. One of the reasons I find it necessary to do is because the

word "uhuru" means freedom... There has to be some means of giving the Communist Workers Party the opportunity to air what they are trying to do. This is the situation where other groups of people in the community by one way or another, have been intimidated from giving the Communist Workers Party this opportunity, particularly by the fear of labels... like communist, or the label of outsiders. The minute anyone tries to do something or fight for what is right, they get labelled outsider."

Comrade Tendai, chief representative of ZANU (Zimbabwe African National Union) in North Carolina talked of long ties with the Communist Workers Party and joint work—"as long as I can remember." "We particularly knew very well Dr. Michael Nathans, the great work he had done in aiding the revolutionary work that we are carrying out in Zimbabwe."

The evening continued with a slide show presentation that captured the spirit and lives of the five comrades

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Almost every workshop passed resolutions specifically dealing with the Greensboro murders and the need to avenge the five. For example, the legal

strategies workshop drafted two resolutions: One urging the conference to issue a strong call for national legal and financial support for the Greensboro legal cases and the other asking for a vigorous call for a national committee to prosecute all the criminal and civil suits coming out of the Nov. 3 massacre and to administer all money contributed for this. Until the national committee is formed all agreed that Tom Ono, one of the lawyers helping the Communist Workers Party, would coordinate.

The media and the Klan workshop condemned the outrageous reportage and distortions in the press about Klan and anti-Klan activities, especially around the Nov. 3 events—a KKK/Nazi ambush on anti-Klan demonstrators was turned into a "confrontation" between two "fringe" groups. The workshop also called on all organizations, individuals and especially progressive media to report correctly on the fight against the Klan and to immediately publish the conference resolutions and news of the February 2 demonstration.

Resolutions, Real Fruit of Conference, Should Have Been Presented to General Body

People put a lot of thought, time and energy into the workshop discussions and expected the resolutions to

be presented to the general body. One side stated, the conference didn't really begin for her "until the workshops" Then just after the high point of the conference when the call for a national demonstration in Greensboro was applauded by all, IFCO and SCLC pigeon-holed the resolutions saying that the steering committee would discuss them and abruptly adjourned the conference. People were shocked and deeply disappointed. The resolutions were the real fruit of the two-day conference and should have been discussed and voted on by the general body so that there could be greater unity. The resolutions crystallized people's sentiment into concrete plans of actions and not adopting them weakens the mobilization for the demonstration. Not discussing and voting on the resolutions on the open conference floor confirmed folk's worst suspicions about those who cried loudest for unity.

The Communist Workers Party's persistence at the conference in working for a broad united front based on equality smashed all the lies and rumors that the CWP doesn't want to work with anybody. The Communist Workers Party will continue to work tirelessly to unite all that can be united to beat back Klan attacks and avenge the Communist Workers Party 5.

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CWP Has Kennedy in A Bind

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This was a reference to the November fatal shooting in Greensboro, N.C. "by an army of 25 KKK/Nazis and FBI agents," according to the Committee, of five members of the Communist Workers Party. The five were Communist Workers Party leaders on an anti-Klan march.

After the tumultuous session at Salem, the girl who began the interruption identified herself as a member of the Committee to Avenge the Communist Workers Party 5.



(Amsterdam News, Dec. 15, 1979)

...ew that something funky had own [in Greensboro] and I knew was necessary, even though many friends said 'hey, don't say anything about it' that it's those people not to play it safe who create a feeling of insecurity." People gave him a round of applause. "You speak out," he continued.

...vis Brandon had much pressure for allowing the forum to be the bookstore. "I was asked one week by a reporter why I the Communist Workers Party bookstore. One of the reasons necessary to do is because the

word "uhuru" means freedom... There has to be some means of giving the Communist Workers Party the opportunity to air what they are trying to do. This is the situation where other groups of people in the community by one way or another, have been intimidated from giving the Communist Workers Party this opportunity, particularly by the fear of labels... like communist, or the label of outsiders. The minute anyone tries to do something or fight for what is right, they get labelled outsider."

Comrade Tendai, chief representative of ZANU (Zimbabwe African National Union) in North Carolina talked of long ties with the Communist Workers Party and joint work—"as long as I can remember." "We particularly knew very well Dr. Michael Nathans, the great work he had done in aiding the revolutionary work that we are carrying out in Zimbabwe."

The evening continued with a slide show presentation that captured the spirit and lives of the five comrades

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Washington, D.C., Dec. 5—Kennedy Disrupted—A Secret Service agent takes a protester by the arm and removes him from the Shiloh Baptist Church in Washington as Senator Edward M. Kennedy addressed the congregation. Kennedy was interrupted three times by the protesters.

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Communist Workers Party 5 in Greensboro on November 3 and by the racist attacks on Afro-Americans in Boston, students organized a vigil on the Harvard University campus. A member and a friend of the Communist Workers Party, as well as other students, gave raps. After the march had passed most of the dormitories, the students found out that FBI boss Webster was speaking at the J.F. Kennedy School. (Prior to the march some students had tried to find and target the CIA office in Cambridge.)

Jumping at the chance, the students marched in that direction. 200 yards from the building, the demonstrators led by the marshals, charged the front door just as Comrade Cesar charged automatic fire to save others. In front stood ten FBI agents and campus cops who tried to scurry in the door. The students chanted "KKK shoots to kill, FBI foots the

bill!" and locked arms to prevent the agents from getting in. These scums eventually got in, but not until receiving some swift kicks from the angry students who tried to follow them in. One cop smashed a student's hand in the door, and an FBI agent was dealt a punch in the face in return.

The agents bolted the doors behind them. However, the students continued chanting for a solid hour, so loud and powerful that the FBI boss couldn't go on with his speech. Finally, Webster had to let them in if they "kept quiet". Inside the students demanded to speak. Webster sat down, and a close friend of the Party took the floor to denounce the FBI and the rest of the government agents who organized the assassination of our beloved comrades right to their faces. When the students were through, they left chanting. □

Greensboro Forum

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known so well and loved so deeply by those who attended. It drew many to tears. Jim Waller's (assassinated Central Committee Member of the Communist Workers Party) 11-year old son, Alex, and his 10-year old comrade recited in unison a powerful and lively reading of "Good Morning Revolution" by Langston Hughes. The entire audience was really inspired by these young revolutionaries who are growing up in the thick of struggle.

A highlight of the evening was the Party speech given by Nelson Johnson who underlined how the Nov. 3rd killings are linked to the capitalist economic crisis. He beat back the lies that the Communist Workers Party "provoked" the killings. "This slander and distortion about 'provocations by CWP' is a crime on top of a crime. Because it hides the reality of what really went down. It blurs the fact that the Greensboro police department denied us our right to bear arms to defend ourselves . . . It denies the fact that we sat face to face with butcher Gibson (County Sheriff) and listened to him lie about how they guaranteed the protection of the march . . . It denies the fact that the Greensboro police department murderers reached in their file drawer and pulled out a copy of the parade permit and handed it to a known Klansman . . . with the starting point on it, with the route on it, and with the stipulation that there wasn't going to be any arms at the march. They gave it to him and didn't tell us a damn thing about it!"

The Greensboro forum was a sign that many people are undaunted by the Greensboro police anti-communist terror and are even more inspired by the cause of the Communist Workers Party Five. Willie Drake, Professor of Political Science of Hobart College of New York and former student body president of North Carolina A & T University told everyone of the growing support for the CWP 5. "At Hobart College the school where I teach, students on their own, with the help of the Chaplin organized a memorial on the same day as the funeral march." A

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"disparaging" the company's name. (see article in this issue)

*The FBI and the local police have continued to harass and intimidate CWP members and friends, following them around in cars, taking their pictures outside the Break the Chains Bookstore, and going to their families, friends, hospital beds and jobs.

And there are more examples.

Communists Best Fighters for Working Class

"If you ask anyone at White Oak who has fought the most for people here," said one worker at Cone's White Oak, "they would say Bill and Rand." Bill Sampson was murdered Nov. 3, and Rand Manzella was "indefinitely suspended" without pay several days after. This is the second attempt by Cone Mills this year to fire Rand. The first was back in April when he was fired for being out sick and bringing in, according to the company, a "fishy Doctor's excuse." Rand was able to win his job back this past June and was reinstated with full back pay.

Bill and Rand, and the White Oak Organizing Committee which they led, have won back workers' jobs throughout the mill and led every single fight in the past two years over work conditions, harassment, and discrimination. Just when the workers were on the verge of voting in a rank and file slate headed by Bill for President, the International flew down and placed the Local under receivership.

Tom Clark has likewise been in the lead of organizing Durham County Hospital workers. Three months ago, at a meeting of 70 workers, Tom headed up the formation of the Durham County Hospital Workers Association. They immediately organized the fight of the laundry room workers where 8 out of the 10 male employees had been con-

taminated with tuberculosis due to unsafe working conditions.

After being injured in the Nov. 3 attack, Tom was arrested on his way to the Funeral March the following week for carrying a weapon for self-defense. Ruth Harris of the hospital Public Relations office said Tom was suspended without pay because hospital policy requires that if an employee is arrested and charged he will be suspended pending the outcome of his case, and will be terminated if convicted. But as Tom responded, "This has never been applied." For example, Roger Flambau, a department head hated by the workers, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. Today he is still a department head. But Tom will lose his job if found guilty on the misdemeanor charge.

CWP Friends Draw Wide Support From Masses

Another Communist Workers Party friend threatened with her job is Jean Chapman, a pediatrician at the Haywood-Moncre County Health Center in Chatham County for nearly 5 years. "On the job I have dedicated myself completely to the well-being of the patients and families who come to see me," Dr. Jean Chapman was quoted in a local paper. She was asked to resign "for the good of the program" after she made statements that she is a friend and supporter of the Communist Workers Party and agreed with the view that the killings in Greensboro were the work, not of the Klan and Nazis alone, but also of the FBI, Greensboro police and the U.S. government. "Off the job, I consistently have been involved in the struggles of working class people, black and white: the Wilmington 10 struggle, the fight against the state competency test, struggles for education locally, fighting the firing of a city worker, supporting the Kayser-Roth strike. . ."

Now her job is being threatened for the third time, and more openly than before.

Paul Alston, the black project director at Jean's job announced that he wanted her resignation and HEW lawyers would be investigating constitutional grounds for her dismissal. Arch-reactionary Senator Jesse Helms is also backing this attack.

Immediately, parents of her patients, community residents and co-workers started circulating petitions, organizing call-ins to Alston, press conferences, etc. to protest the threat. The grandmother of some of Jean's patients collected over 200 signatures on a petition supporting her. Contrary to the clinic's claims that she is "driving away" the community, since the attack on Jean, nearly 100% of her patients have showed up for their appointments, better than the clinic's normal 25-30% no-show rate. After Alston's announcement, all 30-some staff members at the clinic signed a statement that they support the right of any individual to their political beliefs.

Over a dozen parents attended the clinic's last Board of Directors meeting demanding that Jean be assured of her job. There has not been another word said publicly threatening her job since all this, but attempts to fire this fine fighter are far from over.

Attack on CWP Is Attack On All Workers, Oppressed And Justice-Loving People

In attacking CWP members and supporters, the bourgeoisie is attacking precisely those who are the actual leaders of the growing mass resistance. The redbaiting witchhunt against these comrades is not only an attack on their political beliefs. These comrades are among the best, most far-sighted committed fighters for a decent future for working class and poor people in the U.S. That's why an attack against these comrades is an attack on all workers, oppressed people and fighters for justice. □

woman who lives in the Durham projects and had been for years among welfare recipients and tenants, said she would go back and organize more forums in her community and other parts of Durham, that way people could get

the truth about the CWP 5 and to build the support to avenge the 5. An A & T student got up and vowed that she would go back and organize a Committee to Avenge the 5 on her campus. The crowd that attended the forum is

just the beginning of the wave of supporters and sympathizers breaking through bourgeois lies and intimidations. Hundreds and thousands more will join their ranks as the anti-Klan/Nazi movement broadens to avenge the CWP 5. □

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John Spearman Re-elected; Recall Movement Defeated

When the misleaders first set the red-baiting campaign in motion, several shops immediately geared up to turn it around. Meetings were called in two shops to struggle around what communism means in the concrete. Many workers stepped forward to attack the sell-out line, policies and actions of the bureaucrats over the past three years. One example is the fact that the present contract had been prepared and negotiated in secret a year before the old one had even expired.

On November 13, John was re-elected. The movement to recall him ended in total defeat. This was achieved despite attempts by the company, the hacks, and backward workers to intimidate John's supporters through red-baiting, threats to fire, and threats of physical violence. Two days later, these same workers called two leading local and district hacks out into the plant. On company time and

using a company office, they forced them to account for their red-baiting. During the hour-long struggle, company officials nervously paced outside, while union officials attempted to blame the red-baiting on backward workers and the union constitution. But not one worker was fooled.

Bureaucrats Resort to Red-Baiting in Desperate Gamble to Save Their Rule

The union bureaucrats were staking everything on the November 17 meeting. By providing an open forum for all the most backward and anti-communist sentiment they could rake up among the rank and file, they were hoping to finally get rid of John and other genuine fighters. They were relying on a section of the IAM constitution which provides for expelling members on the basis of their political views. But the active and advanced workers saw straight through the

bureaucrats' "legal" cover and came to the meeting prepared to strip it off.

The trade union misleaders' attempt to shoot down the genuine fighters of the class through red-baiting campaigns combined with threatened or actual violence. They are the hired gunslingers of the monopoly capitalists and play on the most backward sentiments of workers that lay the basis for Nazi and Klan like attacks within the unions themselves. At Cessna, red-baiting has been part of the bureaucrats' arsenal for the past two years, but the present effort is the most open and vicious so far.

Open systematic red-baiting is their last hope—it is a desperate gamble to save themselves from being kicked out by the rank and file in the upcoming district and local elections in April and November 1980. But judging from the success of the campaign to defend John Spearman and challenge the red-baiting, the rank and file will continue to beat back the hacks' slimy attempts to divide and intimidate them. They are demanding change and are ready to fight for it. □

GREENSBORO NEWSFLASH

GREENSBORO, N.C.—The Greensboro City Council is now discussing how to pass a resolution which would force anyone who wants to hold a demonstration in the city to pay the overtime for the city's police department before a demonstration permit could be given. This is happening just a few days after the Atlanta Conference called for a national anti-Klan demonstration in Greensboro to be held on February 2.